



Sino-European Summit on Robotic Thoracic Surgery

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Editorial

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to join the Sino-European Robotic Surgery Summit that will take place on Friday 11th of September, 2026 in Marseille, France.

Why SERTS?

Robotic thoracic surgery has entered a new era. Across Europe and China, chemo-immunotherapy (CT-IO) is transforming not only indications and tumor biology, but the very landscape we encounter in the operating room. We now operate on down-staged diseases, on tissues remodeled by immunotherapy, and on patients whose perioperative risk profiles have been altered, sometimes subtly, sometimes profoundly. The fundamental questions of our time have never been more pressing: when should we operate, what should we resect, and how can we do so with the highest standards of safety and precision?

SERTS (the Sino-European Summit on Robotic Thoracic Surgery) was born from this shared reality. Conceived as a collaborative initiative between Europe and China, it unites two communities renowned for their high-volume experience, complementary perspectives, and common ambition: to advance toward surgery that is safer, more innovative, and increasingly personalized for each patient.

We are looking forward to welcoming you for this second edition of SERTS, which will take place in Marseille, a city symbolizing dialogue and exchange between cultures and continents. This inaugural congress will bring together leading surgeons, researchers, and innovators to share data, refine techniques, and shape the future of robotic thoracic surgery.

This Summit will give us the opportunity to engage, to learn, and build together a new chapter in the evolution of our discipline. The future will be robotic and it begins here, with SERTS.

Best regards,



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08:00–08:30 Registration & Coffee

08:30–08:40 Opening Remarks
Ilies Bouabdallah, France & Zhigang Li, China

Session 1 – Selection, Timing & Readiness

Moderators: Jean-Marc Baste & Lin Huang

08:40–08:55 The Immunotherapy Era for Resectable Lung Cancer: From Tumor Response to Long-Term Control – **Fabrice Barlesi, France**

08:55–09:10 Prehabilitation and Follow-Up during Induction: Embedding ERAS into the CT-IO Timeline with a Focus on IO-Related Toxicities
Songrong Wang, China

09:10–09:25 From CT-IO to Surgery: Downstaging and Extent of Resection – **Herbert Decaluwé, Belgium**

09:25–09:40 The NERO-R-Touch Study: SBRT plus IO as Neoadjuvant Therapy for NSCLC
Zhigang Li, China

09:40–10:10 Coffee Break – Visit of exhibition hall

Session 2 – Restaging & Resection Strategy

Moderators: Fabrice Barlesi & Wenjie Jiao

10:10–10:25 Pathologic Response after Induction Immunotherapy
Nicolas Piton, France

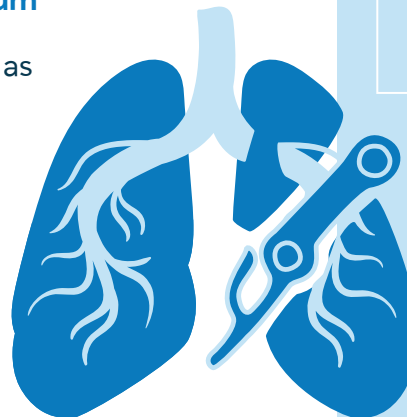
10:25–10:40 Mediastinal Restaging after CT-IO: Is It Worth It?
Bin Zheng, China

10:40–10:55 Lymph Node Dissection in the CT-IO Era
Carlos Galvez, Spain

10:55–11:10 Lobectomy versus Segmentectomy for Tumours Smaller than 2 cm after Induction Therapy
Haifeng Wang, China

11:10–11:40 **Symposium**
Medtronic Hybrid Stapling in Robotic Thoracic Surgery: The Best of Both Worlds
Ilies Bouabdallah, France

11:40–13:00 Lunch Break – Visit of exhibition hall



13:00–13:30 Symposium

INTUITIVE Integrating Ion Robotic
Bronchoscopy and Subcostal da
Vinci Robotic Surgery in the Era of
Perioperative Immunotherapy

Stéphane Renaud, France

Session 3 – Education, Safety & the Future of Robotic Surgery

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Moderators: Ilies Bouabdallah & Tianxiang Chen

13:30–13:45 Teaching Reimagined – **Songrong Wang, China**

13:45–14:00 Robotic Surgery Safety – **Jean-Marc Baste, France**

14:00–14:15 Robotic Telesurgery and Results from the Shanghai
Chest Hospital Experience – **Zhigang Li, China**

14:15–14:25 Symposium

MEDBOT™ Clinical Application of Toumai
Single-Port Robotic System in
Thoracic Surgery

Shaoyuan Zhang, China

Session 4 – Navigation & Complex RATS after Induction Therapy

Moderators: Ming Li & Herbert Decaluwé

14:25–14:40 From the Airway to the OR: The Expanding Role of
Robotic Bronchoscopy – **Kelvin Lau, United Kingdom**

14:40–14:55 RATS after CT-IO – **Ralph A. Schmid, Italy**

14:55–15:10 Complex Case after CT-IO
Marion Durand, France

15:10–15:40 Coffee Break – Visit of exhibition hall

Session 5 – Sleeves & Extended Resections

Moderators: Xavier Benoit D'Journo & Haifeng Wang

15:40–15:55 Surgical De-escalation after CT-IO
Jean-Marc Baste, France

15:55–16:10 Robotic Sleeve Lobectomy after CT-IO: Right-
Sided Procedures – **Ilies Bouabdallah, France**

16:10–16:25 Robotic Sleeve Lobectomy after CT-IO: Left-Sided
Procedures – **Ming Li, China**

16:25–16:40 Robotic Double-Sleeve Resection after CT-IO
Wenjia Jiao, China

16:40–16:55

Robotic Oesophageal Surgery after Induction Immunotherapy – **Zhigang Li, China**

Session 6 – Study Readout & Closing

Moderators: Pascal Alexandre Thomas & Zhigang Li

16:55–17:10

Results of the Sino-European Prospective Study on Robotic Surgery after CT-IO
Lin Huang, China

17:10–17:30

Best Video Abstract Finalists:
Presentation and Award

17:10–17:15

Two Robots, One Strategy: A Combined Endoscopic and Robotic Surgical Approach to GGO – **Alessia Caputo, Italy**

17:15–17:20

Robot-Assisted Left Upper Lobectomy with Pulmonary Artery Lateral Stapled Resection after Neoadjuvant Therapy – **Lucas Leleu, France**

17:20–17:25

Single-Port Robotic Left Upper Lobectomy via Subcutaneous Tunnel-Assisted Periareolar Incision – **Bin Zheng, China**

17:25–17:30

Deliberation
Jury: Pascal Alexandre Thomas, Zhigang Li & Haifeng Wang

17:30–17:45

Closing & Next Steps

17:45–18:15

Networking Refreshments

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