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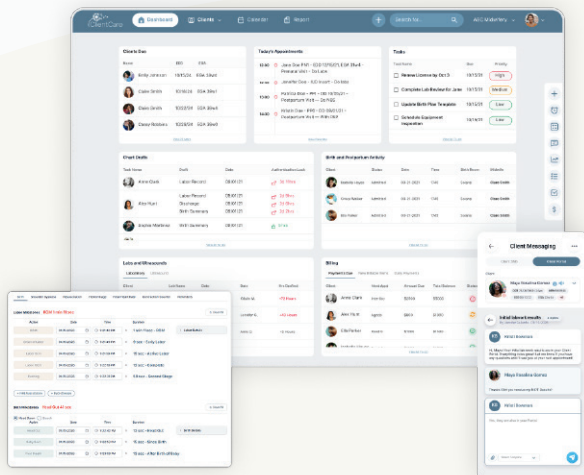


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- Auditorium II

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- 15:30-16:00
- Room 0.3

### Session 2 (French)

- Wednesday, 17 June
- 15:30-16:00
- Room 0.4

### Session 3 (English)

- Thursday, 18 June
- 10:30-11:00
- Room 0.4

Session are open to all on a first come, first served basis

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A global shortage of midwives is limiting access to essential care for women and newborns in every region of the world. Investing in midwives saves lives, strengthens health systems, advances gender equality, and helps build healthier societies for everyone.

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Nuestra petición global insta a los gobiernos y a los responsables sanitarios a aumentar, respaldar y afianzar el personal de matronería.



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# Welcome Word

## Dear colleagues,

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the International Confederation of Midwives' 34<sup>th</sup> Triennial Congress in Lisbon, Portugal, under the theme "The World Needs One Million More Midwives." This theme reflects both the urgency and the opportunity to strengthen the midwifery workforce and ensure access to quality, respectful care for all women, gender diverse people, newborns, and families.

Across many contexts, advances in sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) are under massive pressure, with legal, political, and funding environments becoming more restrictive and uncertain. These dynamics have real and life-changing consequences for women, girls, and communities, as well as the midwives who serve them.

In this environment, the role of midwives has never been more critical. Midwives are trusted professionals, advocates for rights, and anchors of resilient health systems. Yet the systems that support them are under strain, and investment in midwifery remains insufficient globally to meet the growing need. Responding to this moment requires clarity, evidence, and a stronger collective action – action we can build at Congress through sharing experiences, making connections, and inspiring each other.

These sentiments are reflected in our Congress song, "Together," which reflects the unity, solidarity, and shared purpose that defines our profession and this moment.

The International Confederation of Midwives (ICM) and the Associação Portuguesa dos Enfermeiros Obstetras (APEO) are proud to co-host this Congress in beautiful, vibrant Lisbon. It is an honour to welcome you to our country, share our work, learn from colleagues across the world, and contribute to a Congress grounded in collaboration, respect, and evidence-based care.

We warmly welcome you to Lisbon and hope this Congress is both inspiring and memorable.

Together, we can achieve one million more midwives.

With warm regards,

**Anna af Ugglas,**  
Chief Executive, ICM

**Vitor Varela,**  
President, APEO



# Mot de bienvenue

## Chères collègues sages-femmes,

C'est avec grand plaisir que nous vous accueillons au 34e Congrès triennal de la Confédération internationale des sages-femmes à Lisbonne, au Portugal, qui a pour thème « Le monde a besoin d'un million de sages-femmes supplémentaires ». Ce thème reflète à la fois l'urgence et l'opportunité de renforcer les effectifs de sages-femmes et de garantir l'accès à des soins de qualité et respectueux pour toutes les femmes, les personnes de la diversité sexuelle et de genre, les nouveau-nés et les familles.

Dans de nombreux contextes, les progrès en matière de santé et de droits sexuels et reproductifs (SDSR) sont soumis à une pression considérable, en raison d'environnements juridiques, politiques et financiers de plus en plus restrictifs et incertains. Ces dynamiques ont des conséquences réelles et dévastatrices pour les femmes, les filles et les communautés, ainsi que pour les sages-femmes qui les accompagnent.

Dans ce contexte, le rôle des sages-femmes n'a jamais été aussi crucial. Les sages-femmes sont des professionnelles de confiance, des défenseuses des droits et les piliers de systèmes de santé résilients. Pourtant, les systèmes qui les soutiennent sont mis à rude épreuve, et les investissements dans la pratique sage-femme restent insuffisants à l'échelle mondiale pour répondre aux besoins croissants. Faire face à cette situation exige de la clarté, des données factuelles et une action collective plus forte que nous pouvons mettre en place lors du Congrès en partageant nos expériences, en tissant des liens et en nous inspirant mutuellement.

Ces sentiments se reflètent dans la chanson de notre Congrès, « Together », qui incarne l'unité, la solidarité et l'objectif commun qui définissent notre profession au moment présent.

La Confédération internationale des sages-femmes (ICM) et l'Associação Portuguesa dos Enfermeiros Obstetras (APEO) sont fières de coorganiser ce Congrès dans la belle ville dynamique de Lisbonne. C'est un honneur de vous accueillir dans notre pays, de partager notre travail, d'apprendre de nos collègues du monde entier et de contribuer à un Congrès basé sur la collaboration, le respect et des soins fondés sur des données probantes.

Nous vous souhaitons la bienvenue à Lisbonne et espérons que ce Congrès sera à la fois inspirant et mémorable.

Ensemble, nous pouvons atteindre notre objectif d'un million de sages-femmes supplémentaires.

Cordialement,

**Anna af Ugglas,**  
directrice générale de l'ICM

**Vitor Varela,**  
président de l'APEO



# Palabra de bienvenida

## Estimados compañeros:

Es un gran placer para nosotros darles la bienvenida al 34.º Congreso Trienal de la Confederación Internacional de Matronas en Lisboa, Portugal, que lleva el lema «El mundo necesita un millón más de matronas». Este lema refleja tanto la urgencia como la oportunidad de reforzar el personal de matronería y garantizar el acceso a una atención de calidad y respetuosa para todas las mujeres, las personas de género diverso, los recién nacidos y las familias.

En muchos contextos, los avances en materia de salud y derechos sexuales y reproductivos (SDSR) se ven sometidos a una enorme presión, con entornos legales, políticos y de financiación cada vez más restrictivos e inciertos. Estas dinámicas tienen consecuencias reales y transformadoras para las mujeres, las niñas y las comunidades, así como para las matronas que les prestan servicio.

En este entorno, el papel de las matronas nunca ha sido tan crucial. Las matronas son profesionales de confianza, defensoras de los derechos y pilares de sistemas de salud resilientes. Sin embargo, los sistemas que las respaldan están bajo presión, y la inversión en matronería sigue siendo insuficiente a escala mundial para satisfacer unas necesidades que van en aumento. Dar respuesta a esta coyuntura requiere claridad, evidencia y una acción colectiva más firme —una acción que podemos construir en el Congreso compartiendo experiencias, estableciendo conexiones e inspirándonos mutuamente.

Estos sentimientos se reflejan en nuestra canción del Congreso, «Together», que refleja la unidad, la solidaridad y el propósito común que definen nuestra profesión y este momento.

La Confederación Internacional de Matronas (ICM) y la Associação Portuguesa dos Enfermeiros Obstetras (APEO) se enorgullecen de organizar conjuntamente este Congreso en la hermosa y vibrante Lisboa. Es un honor darles la bienvenida a nuestro país, compartir nuestro trabajo, aprender de compañeros de todo el mundo y contribuir a un Congreso basado en la colaboración, el respeto y una atención basada en la evidencia.

Les damos una cálida bienvenida a Lisboa y esperamos que este Congreso sea inspirador y memorable.

Juntos, podemos conseguir un millón más de matronas.

Atentamente,

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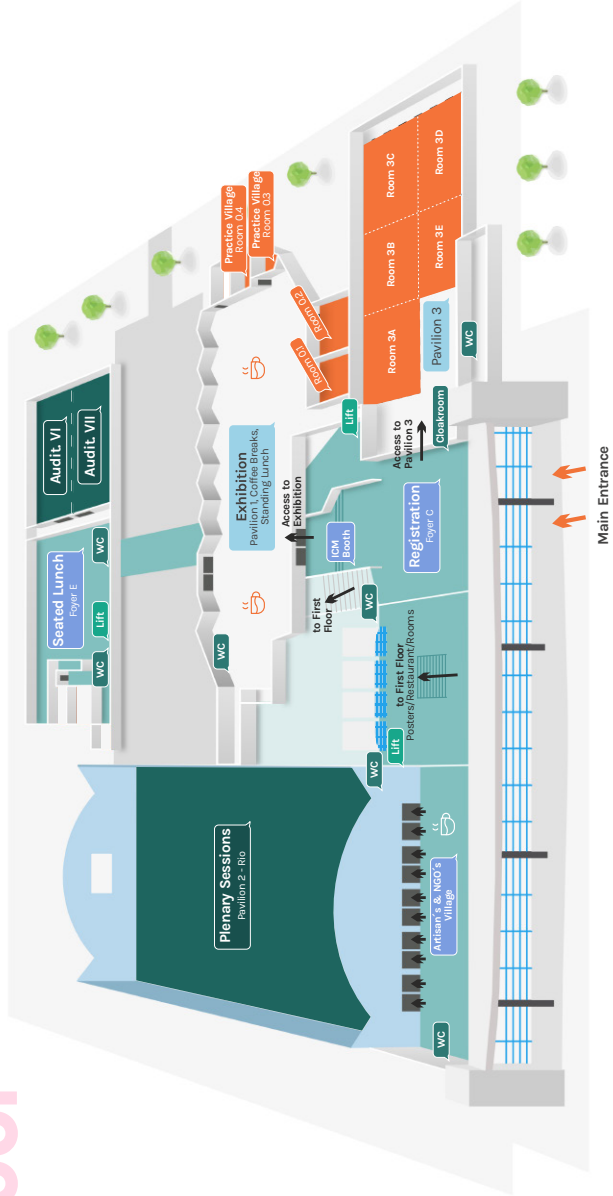
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# Congress Floorplan

- Rooms
- Auditoriums

## Ground Floor

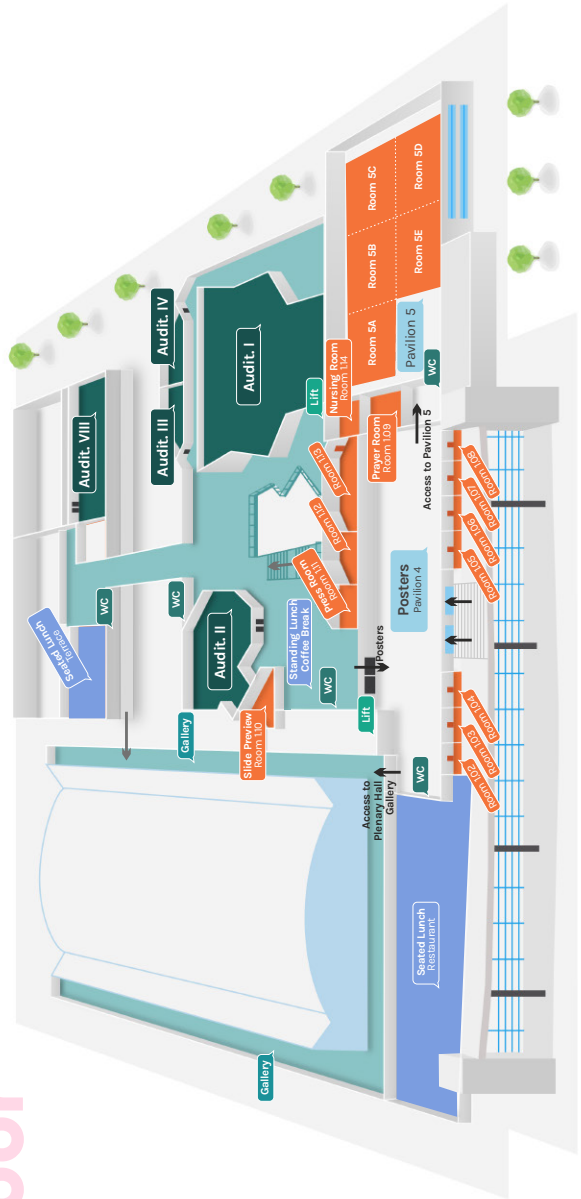




# Congress Floorplan

■ Rooms  
■ Auditoriums

## First Floor





# Overview of Networking Events

## One Million More Midwives March

**Date: June 13, 2026**

**Time 15:30–18:30**

**Place: From Monument of Discoveries to parking area in front of CCL**

**Sponsor: the Royal College of Midwives (RCM)**

The Saturday pre-Congress event, marking the arrival of midwives from around the globe to their triennial congress, has become a beloved tradition. From Durban's Road to Durban, to Prague's *Voices of Midwives*, Toronto's *March for More Midwives*, and Bali's *Dance for Women's Empowerment*—Lisbon now continues the legacy.

This increasingly popular curtain-raiser invites hundreds of midwives to march together in solidarity, delivering a powerful message: the world needs one million more midwives, more women in leadership, and greater equality and empowerment for all women. Marching through public spaces also alerts the host country that the midwives are here and brings attention to local midwives and the Associação Portuguesa dos Enfermeiros Obstetras

**Tickets:** Included in the fee, event is open to the public.

Pre-registration is not required.

## Opening Ceremony

**Date: June 14, 2026**

**Time: 15:30–18:00**

**Place: Plenary Room–Auditorium I**

Often described as the “Olympics of Midwifery,” the Opening Ceremony brings together flags from over 113 member associations in a spectacular celebration of global unity. Midwives dressed in traditional attire or national emblems create a vibrant and joyful atmosphere that captures the heart of this international gathering.

Enjoy captivating cultural performances from Portugal and around the world, uplifting messages from ICM's leadership and partners. This inspiring event marks the official start of ICM Congress 2026 Lisbon.

Following the ceremony, participants are invited to the exhibition opening and a lively Welcome Reception.

**Tickets:** Included in the delegate and accompanying person fees.



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## Welcome Reception

**Date:** June 14, 2026

**Time:** 18:00–20:00

**Place:** Exhibition Foyer

Kick off ICM Congress 2026 with an informal yet energizing reception in the beautiful setting of Lisbon’s Congress Center. Connect with old friends, make new ones, and meet exhibitors and sponsors offering innovations and solutions that support midwives across the globe.

With drinks and canapés served, this is the perfect start to four days of learning, sharing, and collaboration. Many sponsors will also be offering side sessions, panels, and workshops throughout the congress.

**Tickets:** Included in the delegate and accompanying person fees

## Closing Ceremony

**Date:** June 18, 2026

**Time:** 16:30–17:30

**Place:** Plenary Room–Auditorium I

Conclude your congress experience with a meaningful farewell gathering. The Closing Ceremony brings together reflections, recognitions, and the ceremonial handover to the next ICM Congress host country.

Let the inspiration from Lisbon stay with you as we celebrate the connections made and the commitment shared to the midwives of the world.

**Tickets:** Included in the delegate and accompanying person fees

## Lisbon Congress Dinner

**Date:** June 16, 2026

**Time:** 19:30–23:00

**Place:** Convento do Beato,  
Alameda do Beato,  
1950-042 Lisboa

Join us for an unforgettable night at one of Lisbon’s most stunning historical venues. Set in the beautifully restored Convento do Beato, the Congress Dinner is your chance to experience Portuguese charm, cuisine, and celebration at its finest.

Expect a festive evening filled with live cooking, local flavors, dancing, and cultural flair—all set in a timeless setting that reflects the soul of Lisbon.

**Tickets:** Not included—**85 EUR**  
(Capacity is limited; first come first served, onsite availability is not guaranteed.)

**Note:** Transportation is not provided. We recommend booking a taxi or ride service in advance.



# Aperçu des événements de réseautage

## Marche pour un million de sages-femmes supplémentaires

**Date : 13 juin 2026**

**Heure : 15 h 30 – 18 h 30**

**Lieu : du Monument des Découvertes au parking situé devant le CCL**

**Organisateur : le Royal College of Midwives (RCM)**

L'événement organisé le samedi précédant le Congrès, qui marque l'arrivée des sages-femmes du monde entier à leur Congrès triennal, est devenu une tradition très appréciée. De la « Road to Durban » à Durban aux « Voices of Midwives » à Prague, en passant par la « March for More Midwives » à Toronto et la « Dance for Women's Empowerment » à Bali, Lisbonne perpétue à son tour cette tradition.

Cet événement d'ouverture de plus en plus populaire invite des centaines de sages-femmes à défiler ensemble en signe de solidarité, en délivrant un message fort : le monde a besoin d'un million de sages-femmes supplémentaires, de plus de femmes à des postes de direction, ainsi que d'une plus grande égalité et d'une plus grande autonomisation pour toutes les femmes. Ce défilé dans les espaces publics, signale également au pays hôte que les sages-femmes sont arrivées et attire l'attention sur les sages-femmes locales et l'Associação Portuguesa dos Enfermeiros Obstetras.

**Billets :** inclus dans les frais d'inscription, l'événement est ouvert au public.

Aucune préinscription n'est requise.

## Cérémonie d'ouverture

**Date : 14 juin 2026**

**Heure : 15 h 30 – 18 h**

**Lieu : Salle plénière – Auditorium I**

Souvent décrite comme les « Jeux olympiques de la profession de sage-femme », la cérémonie d'ouverture rassemble les drapeaux de plus de 113 associations membres dans une célébration spectaculaire d'unité mondiale. Des sages-femmes vêtues de costumes traditionnels ou arborant des emblèmes nationaux créent une atmosphère vibrante et joyeuse qui incarne l'esprit de ce rassemblement international.

Venez assister à des spectacles culturels captivants du Portugal et du monde entier, et écouter les messages inspirants des dirigeant-e-s et des partenaires de l'ICM. Cet événement motivant marque le coup d'envoi officiel du Congrès 2026 de l'ICM à Lisbonne.

Après la cérémonie, les participants sont invités à l'inauguration de l'exposition et à une réception de bienvenue animée.

**Billets :** inclus dans les frais d'inscription des délégués et des personnes accompagnatrices.



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## Réception de bienvenue

**Date : 14 juin 2026**

**Heure : 18 h – 20 h**

**Lieu : Foyer de l'exposition**

Participez au lancement du Congrès ICM 2026 lors d'une réception informelle mais inspirante dans le cadre magnifique du Centre des congrès de Lisbonne. Renouez d'anciennes amitiés, faites de nouvelles connaissances et rencontrez des exposants et des sponsors qui proposent des innovations et des solutions pour aider les sages-femmes à travers le monde.

Des rafraîchissements et des amuse-bouches seront servis pour marquer le lancement de quatre jours d'apprentissage, de partage et de collaboration. De nombreux sponsors proposeront également des sessions parallèles, des tables rondes et des ateliers tout au long du Congrès.

**Billets :** inclus dans les frais d'inscription des délégués et des personnes accompagnatrices

## Dîner de réseautage à Lisbonne

**Date : 16 juin 2026**

**Heure : 19 h 30 – 23 h**

**Lieu : Convento do Beato, Alameda do Beato, 1950-042 Lisbonne**

Rejoignez-nous pour une soirée inoubliable dans l'un des lieux historiques les plus éblouissants de Lisbonne. Organisé dans le Convento do Beato, magnifiquement restauré, le dîner du Congrès est l'occasion pour vous de découvrir le charme, la cuisine et l'art de la fête du Portugal dans toute leur splendeur.

Préparez-vous à une soirée festive ponctuée de démonstrations culinaires

en direct, de saveurs locales, de danse et d'une ambiance culturelle unique, le tout dans un cadre intemporel qui reflète l'âme de Lisbonne.

**Billets :** non inclus – **85 EUR**

(Le nombre de places est limité ; premier arrivé, premier servi ; la disponibilité sur place n'est pas garantie.)

**Remarque :** le transport n'est pas assuré. Nous vous recommandons de réserver un taxi ou un service de transport à l'avance.

## Cérémonie de clôture

**Date : 18 juin 2026**

**Heure : 16 h 30 – 17 h 30**

**Lieu : Salle plénière – Auditorium I**

Venez participer à une cérémonie de clôture riche de sens, point d'orgue du Congrès. La cérémonie de clôture sera l'occasion de partager des réflexions, de rendre hommage à certaines personnes et de passer officiellement le flambeau au prochain pays hôte du Congrès de l'ICM.

Gardez en vous l'inspiration de Lisbonne, tandis que nous célébrons les liens tissés et l'engagement commun envers les sages-femmes du monde entier.

**Billets :** inclus dans les frais d'inscription des délégués et des personnes accompagnatrices.



# Resumen de eventos de networking

## Marcha por un millón de matronas más

**Fecha:** 13 de junio de 2026

**Hora:** 15:30–18:30

**Lugar:** Desde el Monumento a los Descubrimientos hasta la zona de aparcamiento frente al CCL

**Patrocinador:** Royal College of Midwives (RCM)

Este evento previo al Congreso, que se celebra el sábado y marca la llegada de matronas de todo el mundo al Congreso Trienal, se ha convertido en una tradición muy querida. Desde el evento «Camino hacia Durban» de Durban, pasando por los eventos «Voces de las matronas» de Praga, «Marcha para exigir más matronas» de Toronto y «Baile para el empoderamiento de las mujeres» de Bali, Lisboa continúa ahora con este legado.

Este acto inaugural, cada vez más popular, invita a cientos de matronas a marchar juntas en solidaridad para transmitir un mensaje contundente: el mundo necesita un millón más de matronas, más mujeres en puestos de liderazgo y un mayor grado de igualdad y empoderamiento para todas las mujeres. Marchar por los espacios públicos también sirve para recordar al país anfitrión que las matronas están aquí y atrae la atención hacia las matronas locales y la Associação Portuguesa dos Enfermeiros Obstetras.

**Entradas:** Incluidas en la cuota, el evento está abierto al público.

No es necesario inscribirse previamente.

## Ceremonia inaugural

**Fecha:** 14 de junio de 2026

**Hora:** 15:30–18:00

**Lugar:** Sala Plenaria – Auditorio I

A menudo descrita como las «Olimpiadas de la matronería», la ceremonia inaugural reúne las banderas de más de 113 asociaciones miembro en una espectacular celebración de la unidad mundial. Las matronas, vestidas con trajes tradicionales o con emblemas nacionales, crean un ambiente vibrante y alegre que captura la esencia de este encuentro internacional.

Disfrute de cautivadoras actuaciones culturales de Portugal y de todo el mundo, así como de mensajes inspiradores de los dirigentes y socios de la ICM. Este evento inspirador marca el inicio oficial del Congreso de la ICM de 2026 en Lisboa.

Tras la ceremonia, se invita a los participantes a la inauguración de la exposición y a una animada recepción de bienvenida.

**Entradas:** Incluidas en las cuotas de los delegados y acompañantes.





## Recepción de bienvenida

**Fecha:** 14 de junio de 2026

**Hora:** 18:00–20:00

**Lugar:** Vestibulo de la exposición

Comience el Congreso de 2026 de la ICM con una recepción informal pero llena de energía en el hermoso entorno del Centro de Congresos de Lisboa. Reúnase con viejos amigos, haga nuevos contactos y conozca a los expositores y patrocinadores que ofrecen innovaciones y soluciones que apoyan a las matronas de todo el mundo.

Con bebidas y canapés, este es el comienzo perfecto para cuatro días de aprendizaje, intercambio y colaboración. Muchos patrocinadores también ofrecerán sesiones paralelas, mesas redondas y talleres durante el Congreso.

**Entradas:** Incluidas en las cuotas de los delegados y acompañantes

## Cena de networking en Lisboa

**Fecha:** 16 de junio de 2026

**Hora:** 19:30–23:00

**Lugar:** Convento do Beato, Alameda do Beato, 1950-042 Lisboa

Acompáñenos en una noche inolvidable en uno de los lugares históricos más impresionantes de Lisboa. Celebrada en el Convento do Beato, un edificio magníficamente restaurado, la cena del Congreso es su oportunidad de disfrutar del encanto, la gastronomía y la celebración portuguesas en su máxima expresión.

Disfrute de una velada festiva llena de cocina en vivo, sabores locales, baile y aire cultural, todo ello en un entorno atemporal que refleja el alma de Lisboa.

**Entradas:** No incluidas – 85 EUR

(Las plazas son limitadas; se asignan por orden de llegada, no se garantiza la disponibilidad *in situ*).

**Nota:** No se proporciona transporte. Recomendamos reservar un taxi o un servicio de transporte con antelación.

## Ceremonia de clausura

**Fecha:** 18 de junio de 2026

**Hora:** 16:30–17:30

**Lugar:** Sala Plenaria – Auditorio I

Ponga fin a su experiencia en el Congreso con una emotiva reunión de despedida. La ceremonia de clausura incluye reflexiones, reconocimientos y el acto ceremonial de traspaso de poderes al país anfitrión del siguiente Congreso de la ICM.

Deje que la inspiración de Lisboa le acompañe mientras celebramos los vínculos establecidos y el compromiso compartido con las matronas de todo el mundo.

**Entradas:** Incluidas en las cuotas de los delegados y acompañantes.

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# Scientific Programme

## Presentation types

There will be various types of presentations at Congress. Most have been selected through a rigorous blind peer review process from more than 2500 abstracts (concurrent sessions, posters and the majority of workshops). Other presentations are contributions by ICM partners (satellite symposia and partner sessions), or the ICM Team (plenary sessions and ICM workshops).

## Plenary sessions

Experts and practitioners from various fields have been invited to address the most pressing current issues facing midwifery and wider SRMNAH contexts.

## Concurrent sessions

These consist of four presentations of 15 minutes each followed by a five-minute discussion. In some of these, an additional Three-Minute competition presentation is included. These Three-Minute competition presentations are designed to be short and engaging.

Concurrent sessions will be chaired by people selected by the Scientific Professional Programme Committee (SPPC).

## Workshops

A workshop is an interactive session that allows time for audience participation, exchange of ideas, or skills development. The purpose of workshops is to extend participants' skills and knowledge. Workshops can be designed for working on practical or clinical skills or more abstract concepts (such as advocacy or ICM member benefits).

## Poster sessions

Posters are visual displays of research or practice, usually combining text and graphic information.

Posters have been divided into two groups and will be displayed in the Pavillion 4 hall as follows:

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Monday and Tuesday: Group A posters

Wednesday and Thursday: Group B posters

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It is expected that the presenter will be present at the poster session, alongside their poster, at the designated hour, available for discussion with Congress participants.

## Understanding the programme

- There are 18/19 parallel session rooms holding 3 sessions each day.
- The scientific programme begins with a day-by-day “Programme at a glance” grid overview showing all sessions in the respective room at the respective time.
- “Detailed programme” follows the day-by-day grid showing the content of each session for the respective day in order by time and room; this also mentions presentations, presenting authors, and chairs/facilitators.
- Sessions are colour and letter coded representing the session type (see the legend for more details).



## Session Language and Duration

The Congress' official languages are English, French, and Spanish. **All sessions are held in English unless specified otherwise.**

AI translation is only available in the Pavillion II (plenary hall) and in Auditorium I and Auditorium II

The times reserved for presentations varies according to type:

Oral presentations—15 minutes presentation + 5 minutes for discussion

Three-minute Thesis—3 minutes + short discussion (only 1 PowerPoint slide allowed)

Workshop—90 minutes

## Programme Disclaimer

It is possible that some parts of the programme be changed and the organiser reserves the right to do this. Please refer to the updates in the Mobile App.

## Three Minute Competition & Awards:

The Three-Minute Presentation Competition challenges presenters to communicate their research, innovation, or ideas in just three minutes in a concise, engaging, and inspiring way. Presentations will compete through several rounds, with the best presenters progressing to the Final held before the Closing Ceremony.

## Voting for finalists will be based on:

- Public voting via the Congress Mobile App
- Nominations by Session Chairs for outstanding presentations

Winners and prizes will be announced during the Closing Ceremony. The prize for the top three Three-Minute Presentation winners is sponsored by the University of Canberra.

## Attendees will also be able to vote via the Congress Mobile App for:

- Best Poster Presentation
- Best Oral Presentation

Winners of these categories will receive free registration for the ICM 2029 Congress and will be announced during the Closing Ceremony.

# Programme scientifique

## Types de présentations

Des présentations de différents types seront proposées lors du Congrès. La plupart ont été sélectionnées à l'issue d'un processus rigoureux d'évaluation par les pairs en aveugle de plus de 2 500 résumés (sessions parallèles, affiches et la majorité des ateliers). D'autres présentations sont des contributions des partenaires de l'ICM (symposiums satellites et sessions partenaires) ou de l'équipe de l'ICM (séances plénières et ateliers de l'ICM).

## Séances plénières

Des experts et des praticiens issus de divers domaines ont été invités à aborder les enjeux actuels les plus urgents auxquels sont confrontés la pratique sage-femme et, plus largement, l'ensemble de la SSRMNA.

## Sessions parallèles

Elles consistent en quatre présentations de 15 minutes chacune, suivies d'une discussion de cinq minutes. Certaines d'entre elles comprennent une présentation supplémentaire dans le cadre du concours « Three-Minute ». Ces présentations sont conçues pour être courtes et captivantes.

Les sessions parallèles seront présidées par des personnes sélectionnées par la Commission du programme scientifique et professionnel (SPPC).

## Ateliers

Un atelier est une session interactive qui laisse suffisamment de temps au public pour participer, échanger des idées ou développer ses compétences. L'objectif des ateliers est d'élargir les compétences et les connaissances des participants. Les ateliers peuvent être conçus pour travailler sur des compétences pratiques ou cliniques ou sur des concepts plus abstraits (tels

que le plaidoyer ou les avantages offerts aux membres de l'ICM).

## Séances de présentation d'affiches

Les affiches sont des présentations visuelles de recherches ou de pratiques, combinant généralement du texte et des informations graphiques.

Les affiches ont été réparties en deux groupes et seront exposées dans le hall du Pavillon 4 comme suit :

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Lundi et mardi : affiches du groupe A

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Mercredi et jeudi : affiches du groupe B

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Les présentateurs sont tenus d'être présents lors de la session, à côté de leur affiche, à l'heure indiquée, afin de pouvoir échanger avec les délégués.

## Comprendre le programme

- Il y a 18/19 salles de sessions parallèles accueillant 3 sessions par jour.
- Le programme scientifique commence par un tableau récapitulatif quotidien « Programme en bref » présentant toutes les sessions dans la salle correspondante à l'heure indiquée.
- Le « Programme détaillé » suit le tableau quotidien et présente le contenu de chaque session pour la journée en question, classé par heure et par salle ; il mentionne également les présentations, ainsi que le nom des présentateurs et des présidents/animateurs.
- Les sessions sont identifiées par un code couleur ou une lettre correspondant au type de session (voir la légende pour plus de détails)



## Langue et durée des séances

Les langues officielles du Congrès sont l'anglais, le français et l'espagnol. **Toutes les sessions se déroulent en anglais, sauf indication contraire.**

La traduction automatique est disponible uniquement dans le Pavillon II (salle plénière) ainsi que dans l'Auditorium I et l'Auditorium II.

La durée réservée aux présentations varie selon le type :

Présentations orales - 15 minutes de présentation + 5 minutes de discussion

Thèse en trois minutes - 3 minutes + brève discussion (une seule diapositive PowerPoint autorisée)

Atelier - 90 minutes

## Avertissement concernant le programme

Certaines parties du programme sont susceptibles d'être modifiées et l'organisateur se réserve le droit de le faire. Veuillez consulter les mises à jour dans l'application mobile.

## Compétition de trois minutes & Prix

Le concours de présentations de trois minutes invite les présentateurs à communiquer leurs recherches, innovations ou idées en trois minutes seulement, de manière concise, captivante et inspirante. Les présentations s'affronteront lors de plusieurs tours, les meilleurs se qualifiant pour la finale qui aura lieu avant la cérémonie de clôture.

## Le vote pour les finalistes se fera selon les critères suivants :

- Vote du public via l'application mobile du congrès
- Nominations des présidents de session pour les présentations exceptionnelles

Les gagnants et les prix seront annoncés lors de la cérémonie de clôture.

Le prix pour les trois meilleurs présentateurs du concours de présentations de trois minutes est offert par l'Université de Canberra.

## Les participants pourront également voter via l'application mobile du congrès pour :

- Meilleure présentation par affiche
- Meilleure présentation orale

Les lauréats de ces catégories recevront une inscription gratuite au congrès ICM 2029 et seront annoncés lors de la cérémonie de clôture.

# Programa científico

## Tipos de presentaciones

En el Congreso habrá diversos tipos de presentaciones. La mayoría de ellas se ha seleccionado mediante un riguroso proceso de revisión por pares ciega a partir de más de 2500 resúmenes (sesiones simultáneas, pósteres y la mayoría de los talleres). Otras presentaciones son contribuciones de los socios de la ICM (simposios satélite y sesiones de socios) o del equipo de la ICM (sesiones plenarias y talleres de la ICM).

## Sesiones plenarias

Se ha invitado a expertos y profesionales de diversos campos a abordar los problemas actuales más acuciantes a los que se enfrentan la matronería y los entornos de SSRMNA en general).

## Sesiones simultáneas

Se trata de cuatro presentaciones de 15 minutos cada una, seguidas de un debate de cinco minutos. En algunas de ellas se incluye una presentación adicional tipo concurso de tesis en tres minutos. Estas presentaciones tipo concurso de tesis en tres minutos están diseñadas para ser breves y atractivas.

Las sesiones simultáneas estarán presididas por personas seleccionadas por el Comité del Programa Científico y Profesional (SPPC).

## Talleres

Un taller es una sesión interactiva que da tiempo para la participación del público, el intercambio de ideas o el desarrollo de habilidades. El objetivo de los talleres es ampliar las habilidades y los conocimientos de los participantes. Los talleres pueden diseñarse para trabajar habilidades prácticas o clínicas, o conceptos más

abstractos (como la defensa y promoción o las ventajas de ser miembro de la ICM).

## Sesiones de pósteres

Los pósteres son representaciones visuales de la investigación o la práctica que suelen combinar texto e información gráfica.

Los pósteres se han dividido en dos grupos y se expondrán en el hall del Pabellón 4 de la siguiente manera:

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Lunes y martes: pósteres del grupo A

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Miércoles y jueves: pósteres del grupo B

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Se espera que el ponente esté presente en la sesión de pósteres, junto a su póster, a la hora indicada, disponible para debatir con los participantes del Congreso.

## Cómo entender el programa

- Hay 18/19 salas de sesiones en paralelo en las que se celebran 3 sesiones al día.
- El programa científico comienza con un resumen del día a día con formato de cuadrícula titulado «Programa general» en el que se muestran todas las sesiones con el lugar y la hora correspondientes.
- El «Programa detallado» también tiene formato de cuadrícula y muestra el contenido de cada sesión del día en cuestión, ordenado por hora y sala; también indica las ponencias, los autores que las presentan y los moderadores.
- Las sesiones están codificadas por colores o letras que representan el tipo de sesión (consulte la leyenda para obtener más detalles).



## Idioma y duración de las sesiones

Los idiomas oficiales del Congreso son el inglés, el francés y el español. **Todas las sesiones se celebran en inglés, salvo que se especifique lo contrario.**

La traducción automática solo está disponible en el Pabellón II (sala plenaria) y en el Auditorio I y el Auditorio II.

La duración de las presentaciones varía según el tipo:

Presentaciones orales: 15 minutos de presentación + 5 minutos de debate

Tesis de tres minutos: 3 minutos + breve debate (solo se permite una diapositiva de PowerPoint)

Taller: 90 minutos

## Aviso legal sobre el programa

Es posible que se modifiquen algunas partes del programa, y el organizador se reserva el derecho a hacerlo. Consulte las actualizaciones en la aplicación móvil.

## Competición de 3 minutos & Premios

El Concurso de Presentaciones de Tres Minutos reta a los participantes a comunicar sus investigaciones, innovaciones o ideas en tan solo tres minutos de forma concisa, atractiva e inspiradora. Las presentaciones competirán en varias rondas, y las mejores pasarán a la final, que se celebrará antes de la Ceremonia de Clausura.

## La votación para los finalistas se basará en:

- Votación pública a través de la aplicación móvil del Congreso
- Nominaciones de los presidentes de sesión para presentaciones destacadas

Los ganadores y los premios se anunciarán durante la Ceremonia de Clausura.

El premio para los tres mejores ganadores del Concurso de Presentaciones de Tres Minutos está patrocinado por la Universidad de Canberra.

## Los asistentes también podrán votar a través de la aplicación móvil del Congreso por:






- Mejor Presentación de Póster
- Mejor Presentación Oral

Los ganadores de estas categorías recibirán inscripción gratuita para el Congreso ICM 2029 y se anunciarán durante la Ceremonia de Clausura.



# Programme at Glance

## Legend

Color	Session type
	Concurrent Session
	ICM Workshop
	Partner Funded Session
	Plenary Session
	Satellite Symposium

Color	Session type
	Workshop
	Pre-Congress Workshop
	Poster Session
	Practice Session



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

**PF** Partner Funded Session

**PP** Plenary Session

# Monday, 15 June 2026

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08:00–08:45							Medela breakfast symposium: First days, lasting impact - Actionable strategies for midwives to unlock lactation success			
09:00–10:30	Plenary Session 1: One Million More Midwives - How midwives drive health systems forward 🔊									
11:00–12:30	Labour and birth - PPH (including three-minute presentation competition) 🔊	UNFPA, WHO/HRP (the UNDP/UNFPA/ UNICEF/WHO/ World Bank Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction), FIGO, and ICM partner session: Midwives and obstetrician-gynecologists working together: Strengthening family planning and comprehensive abortion care across settings 🔊	IFF partner session: Role of philanthropy in advancing midwifery in Africa 🔊	Over-medicalisation in childbirth: Myth to reality	Complications - decision making	Enabling environment 1	Adolescent care (including three-minute presentation competition)	Breastfeeding - context	Marginalized - indigenous	Strengthening midwifery in Europe: A workshop on translating policy into practice
12:50–13:50							UNFPA lunch symposium: Using evidence to drive policy changes and build capacity: State of the world midwifery panel	Cross Border Impact Ventures Lunch symposium: A showcase of the newest transformative health technologies designed to improve the lives of mothers and children globally	World Café: Visions for Midwifery Master Programmes	
14:00–15:30	WHO/HRP partner session: Ending PPH together - Implementing the new global guidelines 🔊	Newborn 1 🔊	Jhpiego India, WRAI, Gates Foundation partner session: Global Lessons for India's road to midwifery excellence 🔊	Improving midwifery regulation: From standards to action	Education - competency development 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Obstetric violence (including three-minute presentation competition)	Association strengthening 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Digital technology/ AI 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Marginalized - migrants	The Arab Regional Midwifery Advisory Group (ARMAG) for advancing midwifery leadership in the Arab States
15:30–16:00										
16:00–17:30	Maternal mortality 🔊	Data collection (including three-minute presentation competition) 🔊	EWENE partner session: "But the oxytocin doesn't work!": Midwives at the frontline of pharmacovigilance 🔊	Building the movement for and with women: PUSH for rights, for women, for midwives	Workforce - sustainability 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Continuity of care - implementation 1	Abuse - domestic violence	Physiological - labour progress (including three-minute presentation competition)	Marginalized - racism	Pregnancy as the key to a healthy society: Science-based tools to create happier brains, calmer mothers and stronger families through food, movement and mindset
17:30			Fireside Chat symposium: The Lisbon Moment – Five professions, one call to action for mothers and child survival in low- and middle-income countries 🔊							
18:00										
18:30										
19:00										







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										08:00–08:45
										09:00–10:30
Helping the head: Evidence-based techniques for releasing a deflexed breech head during an upright breech birth	French - equity & breastfeeding (including three-minute presentation competition) 	Education - curriculum 1	Complications - GDM 1	An ecological model to advance midwife-led health equity scholarship	"Calm in the Chaos": Skill drills that transform postpartum haemorrhage (PPH) outcomes through teamwork and communication	Heat stress in pregnancy: A practical workshop for midwives to deliver climate-responsive care during extreme heat events	Emergency obstetric and neonatal skills training in out-of-hospital settings: A hands-on workshop for experienced midwives and students 			11:00–12:30
										12:50–13:50
Intrapartum visual interpretation of the cardiocytograph trace without the use of adjunct technologies in low and middle income countries	Spanish - policy (including three-minute presentation competition) 	Education faculty development 1	Professional development - identity (including three-minute presentation competition)	Beyond the stats: Teaching perinatal inequality data with confidence and care	Skills workshop: Acupressure for pain relief in labour	Providing respectful, adolescent-centred maternity care: A practical skills workshop for midwives working with adolescents in resource-limited settings	One in a million? Exploring the challenges and potential strategies in preparing the midwife teacher/lecturer to build a globally competent midwifery education workforce			14:00–15:30
									Cross Border/Venture practice session: How the mom incubator advances midwifery-led newborn care globally	15:30–16:00
Skills workshop in developing global solidarity partnerships to ensure quality education and research capacity building of one million more midwives	French - professional identity 	Education - cultural safety	Leadership 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Perineal integrity and perineal repair after childbirth: A basic suturing workshop for midwives	Shared decision making and birthplans: Tips and tricks	Driving change: Your role in the transition in organisation of maternal and newborn care	PEERS (perineal trauma: evaluation, evaluation, education and repair and scanning) workshop: How to prevent, how to repair and how managing healing of perineal tears related-childbirth [ES]			16:00–17:30
								Poster session 1 (Group A)	Cross Border/Venture practice session: IgG binding proteins to support a healthy gut of newborns and mothers, at risk of cholera and ETEC diarrhea	17:30
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08:00–08:45								WHO/HRP breakfast symposium: Comprehensive training materials for WHO antenatal care recommendations for a positive pregnancy experience: Feedback session	Van Leer Foundation breakfast symposium: The emerging science on parent wellbeing and human connection	
09:00–10:30	Plenary session 2: Midwives in crisis – Responding to global emergencies and challenges to the profession									
10:30–11:00										
11:00–12:30	Labour and birth-caesarean section	Breastfeeding – milk donation	Ferring partner session: Elevating the new consolidated PPH Guidelines for midwives in high-burden countries to lead the charge for quality life-saving care	Developing strong midwife faculty	SRHR - Preconception/contraception (including three-minute presentation competition)	Professional development – networks (including three-minute presentation competition)	Labour and birth - evidence	Climate change 1	Cultural safety	Midwife autonomy (including three-minute presentation competition)
12:30–14:00										
12:50–13:50								Medela lunch symposium: Optimizing milk supply for mothers with lactation risk factors - The antenatal lactation screening tool and how to integrate it into your clinical practice	Laerdal lunch symposium: Preparing midwives for the future - The opportunity of simulation based learning	
14:00–15:30	Continuity of care - implementation 2	Education - student experience 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)	From the Womb to the Ward: Protecting Newborns and Infants through Maternal Immunization	Champions of choice: Midwives advancing family planning and comprehensive abortion care	Professional development - training (including three-minute presentation competition)	Education - competency development 2	SRHR - Abortion	Marginalized - minorities	Mental health - data	Regulation - implementation 1
15:30–16:00										
16:00–17:30	Leadership 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Continuity of care - outcomes 2	Gates Foundation: Midwifery models that deliver: Evidence and lessons from exemplar countries for innovation implementation	From preparedness to response: Midwives in humanitarian and climate contexts		SRHR - Abortion training	WHO partner session: Global normative guidelines on menstrual health and endometriosis	Abuse - survivors sexual violence	SRHR - FGM	Physiological - midwife interventions (Including three-minute presentation competition)






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											08:00–08:45
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										GE Healthcare practice session: Hands on in labor: Wireless monitoring & rapid handheld ultrasound assessments to support confident midwifery care	10:30 - 11:00
Strengthening mothers and midwives in crises - Hands in hands and midwives post-earthquake projects of Türkiye - Workshop on translating crises into practice	Essential midwifery skills: Diagnosing different types of female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) and providing compassionate, holistic, culturally sensitive, trauma-informed care	Spanish - SRHR (including three-minute presentation competition) 	Education - curriculum 2	Maternity Foundation partner session: Safe Delivery App (SDA) integrated modern contraception workshop, Part (A)	IMPROVE (Improving perinatal mortality review and outcomes via education) workshop: Best practice perinatal bereavement care	Accrediting midwifery centers: A participatory workshop focused on the accreditation process to create sustainable quality, strengthening the midwifery model of care in health systems	Bridging the gap: Strengthening midwifery education in the practice setting amidst the many workforce challenges	"With woman" in the moment: Cultivating empathy in clinical practice through immersive role-play			11:00–12:30
									Poster session 2 (Group A)		12:30–14:00
											12:50–13:50
A way out of a 'Midwifery Professional Identity Crisis?': A crafting tool for designing, developing and implementing professional identity for future-proof practice	Preparing the next million midwives: A workshop on curriculum design and inquiry-based learning in midwifery education	Spanish - labour and birth 	Woman centered 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Maternity Foundation partner session: Safe Delivery App (SDA) integrated modern contraception workshop, Part (B)	The importance of updating your perineal suturing technique	Empowering birth: Practical approaches to supporting women during pregnancy and birth	Supporting the use of dynamic birth positions: A hands-on workshop for midwives	Enhancing midwives' psychological wellbeing and emotional intelligence: A practical introduction to the EIP programme			14:00–15:30
										Ferring practice session: Practical training session on postpartum haemorrhage prevention and early detection	15:30–16:00
The baby-friendly community for breastfeeding promotion: A participatory approach for health promotion in the supersetting framework	Rethinking vaginal breech birth training: Harnessing research and video analysis to master vaginal breech skills	Spanish - respectful care (including three-minute presentation competition) 	Humanitarian 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Policy - strategy (including three-minute presentation competition)	Navigating consent, decision-making and power dynamics through reflective practice	Workshop in newborn resuscitation skills training with intact cord: Simulate, ventilate, collaborate	Strengthening midwifery skills in point-of-care ultrasound with hands-on training in scanning, interpretation, and clinical use across perinatal care	Shaping futures workshops for teenagers with midwives, teachers and psychologists: Empowering young generation through informed sexual and reproductive health, fostering healthier future for all			16:00–17:30



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08:00–08:45								UNFPA breakfast symposium: Midwifery scope of practice study and panel	WHO breakfast symposium: Self-care competency standards for midwives for health and well-being	
09:00–10:30	Plenary session 3: Midwifery models of care – Improving outcomes shaping the future									
11:00–12:30	Seed Global partner session: From classroom to clinic – Building midwifery capacity through investing in clinical teachers	Respectful maternity care 1	WHO & Gothenburg University partner session: Using the MMOC transition framework to accelerate Midwifery Models of Care	Leading from where you stand: Strengthening midwifery through leadership	Workforce - professional identity	Breastfeeding - support (including three-minute presentation competition)	Labour and birth - miscellaneous	Association strengthening 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Newborn 2	Place of birth - hospital (including three-minute presentation competition)
12:50–13:50			Pfizer lunch symposium: Global insights on RSV prevention in infants after three years of available prevention strategies					Maternity Foundation & UNFPA lunch symposium: Scaling quality midwifery care – Implementation lessons from the 10 million safer births initiative phase		
14:00–15:30	Regulation - framework	Pregnancy - complications	Mental health (Including three-minute presentation competition)	Midwife-led centre 2 (Including three-minute presentation competition)	Woman centered 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Education - competency development 3 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Interprofessional - guidelines	Climate change 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Digital technology/AI 2	Place of birth - homebirth (including three-minute presentation competition)
15:30–16:00										
16:00–17:30	Continuity of care - outcomes 1	Workforce - sustainability 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)	Strengthening clinical skills for midwife educators: A hands-on workshop	The reality of transitioning to midwife models of care	Workforce - MMOC	Education - clinical skills (+Three-minute presentation competition)	Pregnancy loss	Marginalized - refugees 1	Approaches to care	MLBC - implementation
17:30–18:30								WHO symposium: Values and attitudes in sexual and reproductive health: Ensuring a rights-based approach	MSD for Mothers symposium: Optimizing maternal health outcomes – Real-world learnings introducing innovations for the prevention and treatment of postpartum haemorrhage	








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Transforming maternity care: Midwives as leaders in teaching and innovating for respectful, physiological birth	Diagnosing perineal lacerations after vaginal birth: Building competence and confidence in midwifery students through an interactive blended learning workshop	French - SRHR (including three-minute presentation competition) 	Education - student experience 2	Pregnancy - access	Enhancing the transfer of respectful maternity care into clinical practice through interprofessional, in-situ simulation	Clinical midwifery skills for management of early pregnancy loss and induced abortion: A patient-centered and trauma informed model of care	Pelvic floor and diastasis recti: What every midwife needs to know about functional recovery	Key strategies for implementing a birth centre – From model to practice				11:00–12:30
												12:50–13:50
Marginalized - maternal separation (including three-minute presentation competition)	Interactive workshop: Suturing first-degree lacerations after vaginal birth using a blended learning approach	Spanish - other (including three-minute presentation competition) 	Education faculty development 2	Pregnancy - preparation	Breastfeeding problems: Looking beyond the surface – What can the nipple and the mother–baby dyad tell us?	Demonstration of non-pneumatic anti-shock garments: A low-tech, cost-effective intervention for postpartum hemorrhage in low-resource settings	Eradicating obstetric violence by promoting respectful midwifery models: A 90-minute role-play workshop emerging from the EU-funded IPOV project (respectfulcare.eu) 	Working towards midwifery models of care: Equipping midwives with skills for improved care and outcomes in low-resource settings				14:00–15:30
												15:30–16:00
										GE Healthcare practice session: Simple antenatal and intrapartum assessment with POC ultrasound	Ferring practice session: Practical training session on postpartum haemorrhage prevention and early detection 	
Obstetric triage: A skills workshop to enhance midwifery response to unscheduled presentations by women	Equipping midwifery educators and students to protect breastfeeding in emergencies: A rights-based, evidence-informed approach to lactation support	Spanish - professional development (including three-minute presentation competition) 	Education - postgraduate (including three-minute presentation competition)	Pregnancy - antenatal	Promoting interdisciplinary simulation of perinatal emergencies using the Step Up Together model to improve the process of community birth transfers	Pelvic wisdom: Prenatal yoga with space formula for biomechanically-informed birth rooted in movement, cultural, and wisdom of Indonesian traditions	Simulating rural realities: Midwifery primary care emergency preparedness training for rural and remote resource-limited settings	Midwives' training for supporting becoming and new mothers in the transition to motherhood in vulnerable life-situations: Developing therapeutic relationships and collaborative care				16:00–17:30
												17:30–18:30
									Poster session 3 (Group B)			



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09:00–10:30	Plenary session 4: Midwives – The original innovators across time and cultures									
10:30–11:00										
11:00–12:30	Continuity of care - implementation 3	Midwife-led centre 1	Complications - GDM 2	Jhpiego partner session: Scaling innovation - How countries transform midwifery training through Helping Mothers Survive. A hands-on experience with global implementation success stories	Practical skills for midwives to secure grant funding	Complications - hypertension	SRHR - General	Climate change 3	Marginalized - refugees 2	Place of birth - rural
12:30–14:00										
12:50–13:50								UNFPA APRO lunch symposium: Midwives as agents of change: The crucial role of midwives in the prevention of FGM in Asia	CIFF Lunch symposium: Midwives' Associations Moving Policy into Practice	
14:00–15:30	Interprofessional - collaboration		Sydani Group & NSI partner session: Private midwifery practice: Barriers, enablers, and pathways to sustainable operations	Respectful maternity care 2	Sharing knowledge production through a writing workshop. A QMNC Research Alliance collaboration	Labour and birth - VBAC	Labour and birth - induction	Workforce - planning	Other	Complications - other
16:00–16:30	Three-minute presentation competition final									
16:30–17:30	Closing Ceremony									



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											09:00–10:30
										Ferring practice session: Practical training session on postpartum haemorrhage prevention and early detection	10:30–11:00
Supporting hypnobirthing mothers in pregnancy, labor and birth	Supporting student midwife confidence to facilitate physiologic birth: A workshop for clinical and academic faculty	Policy - professionalism	Education - digital/ simulation	Postpartum - perineal	The portal: Compassionate inquiry in the perinatal period. Reclaiming birth through embodied awareness, presence and safety	Supporting conversations about fetal movements: Building confidence and clarity in midwifery practice	The papaya workshop: Hands-on training in manual uterine aspiration for early pregnancy loss and abortion	Strengthening midwives' clinical skills and knowledge in breastfeeding and lactation support			11:00–12:30
									Poster session 4 (Group B)		12:30–14:00
											12:50–13:50
'MAG-TIT-HOAP': Mindfulness and gentle touch in the hands of a professional. Implementing mindfulness and gentle touch in midwifery practice to enhance self-regeneration facilitating birth experience	Understanding the publication process to achieve success	Quality improvement	Humanitarian 2	Postpartum - miscellaneous	Rest or arrest? A workshop to advance knowledge and skills to support women, families and teams when dealing with a slowing or pausing of labour	Evidence-based midwifery practice and interactive adult learning using India adapted WHO Essential Childbirth Care (ECBC) module	For the midwives who opt for physiological childbirth: Acupressure is valuable addition to their daily practice in obstetrics	Education - issues			14:00–15:30
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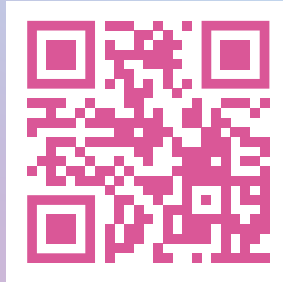


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# Scientific Programme

## Saturday, 13 June 2026

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### Pre-Congress Workshop: ICM and Laerdal: SimBegin Level 1 workshop (Invitation only)

09:30–14:30, ROOM 1.08

ICM, in collaboration with Laerdal Global Health, will facilitate the implementation of the SimBegin Level 1 training for approximately 18 to 24 selected midwife leaders attending the ICM Congress. This collaborative effort aims to build the capacity of the midwifery leaders on simulation-based education. Lunch provided.

*Facilitators: Asmita Acharya (Nepal), Patricia Titulaer (Norway), Suchana Thapa (Nepal), Julia Irani (Pakistan)*

### NETWORKING EVENT

#### One Million More Midwives March

15:30–18:30

From Monument of Discoveries to parking area in front of CCL

## Sunday, 14 June 2026

ENGLISH

### Pre-Congress Workshop: AIME/UNFPA/LGH (Open for public)

08:00–14:00, ROOM 3A

This important workshop sponsored by the global Alliance to Improve Midwifery Education (AIME) will provide an overview of the latest tools (UNFPA/ICM sample competency based curriculum, faculty competencies, the UNFPA Midwifery Investment Framework and gap analysis tool to support implementation etc), emerging evidence (UNFPA, Burnet Institute and ICM's global scope of practice for midwives study, AIME global educators of midwives study, UNFPA's gender dimensions in midwifery practice study) and strategies (humanitarian strategy) for midwives. Spaces are limited to 70 for midwives wishing to attend on a "first come" basis. Lunch will be provided.

*Facilitator: Geeta Lal (USA)*



## ENGLISH

**Pre-Congress Workshop: WHO pre-congress symposium: Bleeding after birth: Prevention diagnosis and treatment of PPH champion development (Invitation only)**

08:00–14:00, ROOM 1.08

Bleeding after Birth (BAB) Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment of postpartum hemorrhage (PPH) is a training course designed to reduce deaths caused by PPH. BAB course builds capacity of the entire team of providers who care for women at birth.

In the “low-dose, high-frequency” (LDHF) approach, the course is given on-site, at the health center or hospital with the entire team to improve communication and teamwork, and reinforce early detection and management of PPH. A key component is using a short set of skills practice, drills, and quality improvement activities done by health workers after training at their facility.

By the end of this workshop, participants will be able to conduct a full training with the new postpartum haemorrhage training module and plan for cascade training.

*Facilitators: Ioannis Gallos (Switzerland), Rosemary Njogu (Kenya), Patricia Titulaer (Norway), Olufemi Oladapo (Switzerland), Julia Irani (Pakistan)*

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**Plenary Session: Opening Ceremony**

15:30–18:00, PAVILION 2



# Monday, 15 June 2026

## ENGLISH

### Satellite Symposium: Medela breakfast symposium: First days, lasting impact—Actionable strategies for midwives to unlock lactation success

08:00–08:45, ROOM 3A

This session will outline the physiology of lactation in the first days after birth and illustrate the critical role of early and effective breast stimulation and milk removal in enhancing milk production capacity and influencing long term lactation success. Participants will explore cutting-edge findings on the physiology of secretory activation, including innovative point-of-care tools that allow clinicians to objectively assess early milk production. When mothers stop breastfeeding earlier than intended, the consequences extend beyond individual families, influencing population-level health and wellbeing. Early lactation is a decisive biological window that shapes the entire breastfeeding journey, yet it remains one of the least understood and least systematically assessed phases of postpartum care. By shifting the focus from reactive treatment to proactive intervention, this session empowers healthcare providers to strengthen early lactation support and improve long-term breastfeeding outcomes for families.

*Speakers: Donna Tracy Geddes (Australia), Nania Schärer-Hernández (Switzerland), Helen Sutherland (United Kingdom)*

## AI-TRANSLATED

### Plenary Session 1: One Million More Midwives—How midwives drive health systems forward

09:00–10:30, PAVILION 2

One million more midwives could help move the needle on many areas of women's health. This plenary session will feature the art of the possible—showcasing midwives from around the world who are leading change in different aspects of the profession in their own countries. Through their stories, the session will highlight innovative approaches, challenges overcome, and the transformative impact of midwifery leadership on health systems and communities. Attendees will be inspired to envision the future of the profession and their own potential as leaders in midwifery.

*Chair: Jacqueline Dunkley-Bent (Netherlands)*

*Keynote speaker: Magda Robalo (Guinea-Bissau)*

*Panelists: Sylvia P. Hamata (Namibia), Inderjeet Kaur (India), Jama Egal (Somalia), Jaki Lambert (United Kingdom)*



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## Concurrent Session: Labour and birth—PPH (including three-minute presentation competition)

11:00–12:30, PAVILION 2

**Chair: Lucia Jenkusky (USA)**

- 11:00 **O 009** Nurse-midwives' decision-making on the management of the third stage of labour in Portugal  
*Speaker: Ana Sofia Pires (Portugal)*
- 11:15 **O 010** Learnings from introduction & scaling of heat-stable carbetocin across Kenya by use of webinars approach  
*Speaker: Eunice Atsali (Kenya)*
- 11:30 **T 001** Transforming maternal care through EMOTIVE training: A Safe Birth Project  
*3-minute speaker: Anitah Kusaasira (Uganda)*
- 11:33 **T 002** Being ROBUST to tackle rising postpartum haemorrhage rates  
**R: Risk assess O : Oxytocin B :Buzzer U : Uterotonics S : Suture T: Tranexamic acid**  
*3-minute speaker: Shahla Bakhtiari (United Kingdom)*

**11:36 Panel discussion**

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## Partner Funded Session: UNFPA, WHO/HRP (the UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF/WHO/World Bank Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction), FIGO, and ICM partner session: Midwives and obstetrician-gynecologists working together: Strengthening family planning and comprehensive abortion care across settings

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM I

This session will examine the role of midwives in providing family planning and comprehensive abortion care across the humanitarian-development-peace continuum and how interprofessional collaboration between midwives and obstetrician-gynecologists strengthens the accessibility and quality of comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services. Clear competencies, enabling policies, and coordinated referral systems allow midwives to practise to the full extent of their scope of practice while ensuring safe, timely, and person-centred care. Collaborative advocacy to ensure adequate legal frameworks around comprehensive abortion care is also important. Special attention will be given to humanitarian and fragile settings, where midwives are critical to maintaining access and continuity of life-saving services.

*Speaker: Ulrika Rehnstrom Loi (Switzerland)*



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### Partner Funded Session: CIFF partner session: Role of philanthropy in advancing midwifery in Africa

11:00-12:30, AUDITORIUM II

Philanthropic partners are increasingly shaping the future of midwifery in Africa—supporting stronger training systems, expanding midwife led care, and addressing critical workforce gaps. This session brings together short presentations and a panel discussion to highlight how strategic funding, collaboration with governments, and evidence driven investments are unlocking progress for midwives and improving outcomes for women and newborns across the continent.

*Facilitator: Minnie Kibore (Kenya)*

ENGLISH

### ICM Workshop: Over-medicalisation in childbirth: Myth to reality

11:00-12:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

This workshop examines rising global caesarean section rates and obstetric interventions. Drawing on current evidence, a panel discussion explores links with maternal and perinatal mortality and morbidity, distinguishing lifesaving care from unnecessary intervention. Centering women and newborns, the workshop provides advocacy strategies to promote collaborative, respectful maternity care that ensures safety and positive birth experiences.

*Facilitators: Anna Af Ugglas (Netherlands), Frank Louwen (Germany), Merette Khalil (Egypt), Soo Downe (United Kingdom), Jacqueline Dunkley-Bent (Netherlands), Kate Stringer (Netherlands), Solomon Beshah (Netherlands), Stephanie Marriott (Netherlands), Daniela Drandic (Croatia), Inderjeet Kaur (India), Liselotte Kweekel (Netherlands), Olufemi Oladapo (Switzerland), Shaimaa Ibrahim (Jordan)*

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Complications—decision making

11:00-12:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Deborah Davis (Australia)**

- 11:00 **O 001** **Redefining safety: Autonomy and risk in breech birth decision-making**  
*Speaker: Robyn Schafer (USA)*
- 11:15 **O 002** **'A parallel system of care'—Women's and caregivers' perspectives of decision-making for mode of births: A qualitative descriptive study**  
*Speaker: Sunita Panda (Ireland)*
- 11:30 **O 003** **Evidence and experience in home and birth center birth transfers: An integrative review from high-resource countries to strengthen person-centered maternity systems**  
*Speaker: Angela Miller (USA)*



11:45 **O 004** Exploring women’s views on the concept of shared decision making in a subsequent pregnancy following a traumatic birth experience

Speaker: Deborah Pidd (Australia)

12:00 **Panel discussion**

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### Concurrent Session: Enabling environment 1

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

Chair: Zenab Barry (United Kingdom)

11:00 **O 005** Implementation of the clinical practice guideline on intrapartum care for low-risk births in Belgium: An integrated knowledge translation approach

Speaker: Yvonne Kuipers (Belgium)

11:15 **O 006** Mentoring in midwifery: Building sustainable leadership and retention pathways in NSW Health

Speaker: Cindy Partridge (Australia)

11:30 **O 007** It’s not enough to expand midwifery models of care: Enacting values during times of crisis: A critical qualitative multiple case study

Speaker: Susana Ku (Canada)

11:45 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Adolescent care (including three-minute presentation competition)

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3A

Chair: TBC

11:00 **O 011** An innovative community-based mentoring intervention to reduce maternal and perinatal mortality among adolescent girls (2YoungLives): A pilot cluster-randomised trial in Sierra Leone

Speaker: Cristina Fernandez Turienzo (United Kingdom)

11:15 **O 012** Midwives in the margins: Mentoring youth through education, health and connection

Speaker: Sophie Hadlow (Australia)

11:30 **T 003** Implementation of comprehensive sexuality education in Peru and British Columbia: A comparative analysis of inclusivity and effectiveness

3-minute speaker: Zaida Lara (Peru)

11:33 **Panel discussion**



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Breastfeeding—context**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Helen Sutherland (Switzerland)**

- 11:00 **O 014** Investigating the marketing of infant feeding bottles designed to replicate breastfeeding and the evidence that underpins them  
*Speaker: Clare Maxwell (United Kingdom)*
- 11:15 **O 015** A cross-sectional study on key clinical practices to support breastfeeding: Inequalities across Europe?  
*Speaker: Ilaria Mariani (Italy)*
- 11:30 **O 016** Strengthening midwives' associations in Indonesia through adherence and compliance with the international code of marketing of breast-milk substitutes  
*Speaker: Kusmayra Ambarwati (Indonesia)*

**11:45 Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Marginalized—indigenous**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Caterina Montagnoli (Switzerland)**

- 11:00 **O 018** Unmasking the uncounited: Disparities in indigenous maternal health and the vital role of midwifery  
*Speaker: Anne-Hedvig Nordsletta (Norway)*
- 11:15 **O 019** Meeting the calls to action—How Inuulitsivik midwifery embodies the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada Calls to Action  
*Speaker: Eileen Moorhouse-Inukpuk (Canada)*
- 11:30 **O 020** Mapping the Movement: 2025 Landscape of Indigenous Midwifery in Canada  
*Speaker: Nathalie Pambrun (Canada)*

**11:45 Panel discussion**

## FRENCH

**Concurrent Session: French—equity & breastfeeding (including three-minute presentation competition)**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Aroua Chahbi (Tunisia)**

- 11:00 **O 021** Clinical disparities in reproductive care: Ethnicity and class effects on women's health in Iran  
*Speaker: Rosanna Sestito (France)*



- 11:15 **O 022** **Barriers to informed consent in obstetric care during childbirth from practitioner’s perspective: A qualitative study**  
*Speaker: Lucile Abiola (France)*
- 11:30 **O 023** **Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative: Analysis of perinatal practices of French BFHI-accredited maternity units**  
*Speaker: Madeleine Santraine (France)*
- 11:45 **O 024** **Factors influencing Quebec midwives’ perceptions of migrants without health insurance coverage and of the perinatal care offered**  
*Speaker: Marie-Eve St-Laurent (Canada)*
- 12:00 **T 004** **Clinical handover in referral maternity units in Burkina Faso: Knowledge and practices of care providers**  
*3-minute speaker: Mariguetou Compaore (Burkina Faso)*
- 12:03 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Education—curriculum 1

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Asmara Gebre (USA)**

- 11:00 **O 025** **Assessing maternal and perinatal death surveillance and response (MPDSR) competency gaps in pre-service midwifery curricula in Kenya and Nigeria: A mixed methods study**  
*Speaker: Lydia Mwanzia (Kenya)*
- 11:15 **O 026** **Evaluation of midwifery students’ care plans through document analysis**  
*Speaker: Leyla Baran (Turkey)*
- 11:30 **O 027** **HER Too Theatre (Uganda): Forum theatre as an educational tool in respectful maternity care education**  
*Speaker: Alison Gabrielle Perry (United Kingdom)*
- 11:45 **O 028** **Reflective practice for midwives in the United States: An adaptation of the Bass Model of Holistic Reflection**  
*Speaker: Elizabeth Munoz (USA)*

12:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Complications—GDM 1

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Julie Nyanchama (Kenya)**

- 11:00 **O 029** **Does length of residency in a host country and ethnicity increase a migrant woman’s risk of gestational diabetes?**  
*Speaker: Sarah Melov (Australia)*



11:15 **O 030** Using the COM-B model to support dietary behaviour change and improve glucose management during pregnancy and the postnatal period in women with gestational diabetes

Speaker: Angeliki Bolou (Greece)

11:30 **O 031** Reimagining gestational diabetes care: A reflective, midwifery-led model for holistic, digitally enhanced support

Speaker: Vikentia Harizopoulou (Greece)

11:45 **O 032** Strengthening gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM) screening and management in India

Speaker: Mary Bright (India)

12:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**W 01: Workshop: Heat stress in pregnancy: A practical workshop for midwives to deliver climate-responsive care during extreme heat events**

11:00-12:30, ROOM 1.07

Facilitators: Rachel Smith (Australia), Sarah Bar-Zeev (USA),  
Caroline Homer (Australia)

FRENCH

**W 02: Workshop: Emergency obstetric and neonatal skills training in out-of-hospital settings: A hands-on workshop for experienced midwives and students**

11:00-12:30, ROOM 1.08

Facilitators: Audrey Gohier (France), Floriane Stauffer (France)

ENGLISH

**W 03: Workshop: Strengthening midwifery in Europe: A workshop on translating policy into practice**

11:00-12:30, ROOM 3D

Facilitators: Victoria Vivilaki (Belgium), Pernilla Stenbäck (Finland), Burcu Yurtsal (Turkey), Melania Elena Pop-Tudose (Romania), Marlene Reyns (Belgium), Bernadette Brieskorn (Switzerland), Malin Bogren (Sweden)

ENGLISH

**W 04: Workshop: Helping the head: Evidence-based techniques for releasing a deflexed breech head during an upright breech birth**

11:00-12:30, ROOM 3E

Facilitators: Rixa Freeze (France), Erica Corbett (Canada)



ENGLISH

**W 05: Workshop: An ecological model to advance midwife-led health equity scholarship**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitators: Melicia Escobar (USA), Christina Marea (USA)*

ENGLISH

**W 06: Workshop: “Calm in the Chaos”: Skill drills that transform postpartum haemorrhage (PPH) outcomes through teamwork and communication**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitators: Adrienne Brady (Ireland), Christine McGeough (Ireland)*

ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: UNFPA lunch symposium: Using evidence to drive policy changes and build capacity: State of the world midwifery panel**

12:50–13:50, ROOM 3A

This session hosted by UNFPA discusses the latest evidence on midwifery emerging from the recently published regional State of the World Midwifery Reports for the Asia Pacific region, Eastern and Southern Africa region, Western and Central Africa region as well as the Eastern Europe region. The session will review critical gaps, policies needed to address these gaps, as well as current implementation partnerships under the Midwifery Accelerator working to address these gaps.

*Facilitator: Geeta Lal (USA)*

ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: Cross Border Impact Ventures lunch symposium: A showcase of the newest transformative health technologies designed to improve the lives of mothers and children globally**

12:50–13:50, ROOM 3B

Cross-Border Impact Ventures is an impact venture capital investment firm on a mission to revolutionize investing in women’s and children’s health technologies. We invest in early-stage health technology companies that have developed medical devices, diagnostic tools, therapeutics and digital health solutions incorporating sophisticated technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML). We invest in conditions that impact women and children specifically—like childbirth and neonatal care, differently or disproportionately. The companies we invest in have a mission to improve safe pregnancies and childbirth globally, in high income countries and lower—and middle-income countries. At the ICM congress, we will briefly present our investment and impact strategy; then the CEOs



of four of our companies will showcase their products, and the solutions they can bring to improve the lives of mothers and babies globally. They are keen to hear your expert feedback and would love to explore collaboration opportunities with National Midwives Associations.

*Speakers: James Roberts (United Kingdom), Valentina Milanova (United Kingdom), Femke Smeets (Netherlands), Laura Jassoy (Germany), Ruben Molina (Spain)*

## ENGLISH

## Satellite Symposium: World Café: Visions for Midwifery Master Programmes

12:50–13:50, ROOM 3C

Session sponsored by Four German Universities: 1. Ludwigshafen University of Business and Society, Department of Social Work and Health Care, 2. Hannover Medical School, Midwifery Research and Education Unit, 3. Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Faculty of Health, 4. Bochum University of Applied Sciences, Nursing–Midwifery and Therapy Sciences. While the ICM Essential Competencies set a global benchmark for professional entry, countries achieve them through different routes: Germany extends from Bachelor as entry into the profession to the Master's level to include all competencies, including sexual and reproductive health. Sweden maintains a Bachelor in Nursing followed by a Master's in Midwifery, while France has introduced a six-year integrated Doctorate in Maieutics combining clinical and research training as entry into the profession. These models illustrate diverse strategies for achieving ICM-aligned professional entry. In some countries, Bachelor's and Master's programmes combine explicit competencies with strong clinical preparation and clear routes to advanced clinical, educational, research, and leadership roles. However, many countries face structural barriers, a dominant medical model, limited practice opportunities, and restricted professional development. Recent European research on doctoral education shows growing enrolment but persistent challenges in applying research skills in practice and policy. The workshop fosters international exchange to inform the design of globally relevant, competence-based educational pathways.

*Speakers: Michaela Michel-Schuldt (Germany), Mechthild Gross (Germany), Claudia Maria Limmer (Germany), Ute Lange (Germany), Martina Schluter-Cruse (Germany), Anne Christine Manawa Nougho (Germany), Anne Rehm (Germany), Nina Knape (Germany)*

## AI-TRANSLATED

## Partner Funded Session: WHO/HRP partner session: Ending PPH together—Implementing the new global guidelines

14:00–15:30, PAVILION 2 (AI TRANSLATED)

Midwifery is globally recognized as a cornerstone of quality maternal and newborn health services and many countries such as UK. This session aims to facilitate cross-country learning and dialogue on advancing midwifery in India highlighting global best practices and seeking potential solutions to the challenges India is experiencing in establishing an autonomous



midwifery profession. Examining critical questions in advancing midwifery services in India and drawing on global experience, discussions will focus on the need for a well-defined career pathway and the alignment of processes to achieve it, thereby strengthening systemic integration and reinforcing recognition of midwives as a specialized cadre. Further strategies for generating demand of midwives in the system, improving retention through professional identity, and ensuring sustainability will be considered. Policy and regulatory reforms essential for establishing midwives as a respected cadre, fully accepted by society and peers, will also be explored. Comparative lessons from countries including the UK, Australia, Sweden, New Zealand, and Kenya/Ethiopia will guide reflections on how proven solutions may be adapted and scaled within India's health system. The discussions will generate actionable recommendations for midwifery reforms in India from similar settings, focusing on – (a) creation of a distinct cadre with clearly defined careers pathways and leadership roles for midwives; (b) professional and public acceptance of the midwifery model of care (c) legal/regulatory mechanisms to ensure the integration of the cadre into the health system.

This session launches the 2026 Lancet PPH Series and equips midwives to put the WHO–FIGO–ICM consolidated PPH guidelines, including the new global definition of postpartum haemorrhage, into practice. We will connect cutting-edge evidence with clear, actionable steps for prevention, early recognition, and treatment at primary and referral levels. The session will introduce the new implementation guide and training toolkit, with checklists, algorithms, simulation scenarios, and job aids tailored for different resource settings. Speakers will show how the Lancet PPH Series translates into policy, financing, and commodities so what works at the bedside is enabled across the system.

**Chairs: Frank Louwen (Germany),  
Jacqueline Dunkley-Bent (Netherlands)**

*Speakers: Arri Coomarasamy (United Kingdom), Ioannis Gallos (Switzerland),  
Olufemi Oladapo (Nigeria), Mikaela Hildebrand*

AI-TRANSLATED

### Concurrent Session: Newborn 1

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM I

**Chair: Noelyn Perriman (Australia)**

**14:00 O 040** Enhancing parental involvement in the care of sick neonates in India, Pakistan and Tanzania: A participatory action research study  
*Speaker: Tracey Mills (United Kingdom)*

**14:15 O 04** Risk factors of birth asphyxia at a high-volume urban maternity setting in Kenya: A case-control study  
*Speaker: Ruth Wagathu (Kenya)*<sup>1</sup>

**14:30 O 042** Equity from birth: Addressing bias in neonatal assessment through midwifery leadership  
*Speaker: Janet Matilda Fyle (United Kingdom)*

**14:45 O 043 Maternal height optimizes birth weight classification**

Speaker: Pien Offerhaus (Netherlands)

**15:00 Panel discussion**

AI-TRANSLATED

**Partner Funded Session: Jhpiego India, WRAI, Gates Foundation partner session: Global Lessons for India's road to midwifery excellence**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM II

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ENGLISH

**ICM Workshop: Improving midwifery regulation: From standards to action**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

Strong regulation shapes safe, high-quality midwifery care. This workshop focuses on the country-level, the ICM Global Standards for Midwifery Regulation and key resources. Participants will apply the standards in practical exercises, focusing on strengthening and improving pre-service midwifery education.

Facilitators: Stephanie Marriott (Netherlands), Paula Medway (Australia), Gita Nirmala Sari (Indonesia)



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Education—competency development 1  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Cherolyn Pokawin Polomon (Australia)**

- 14:00 **O 033** **Work setting matters: Scope of practice of midwifery competencies in Switzerland**  
*Speaker: Alessia Abderhalden-Zellweger (Switzerland)*
- 14:15 **O 034** **Pioneering state-led midwifery education in India: Dual-mode mentoring of nurse practitioners to strengthen competencies across public midwifery-led care units in Andhra Pradesh**  
*Speaker: Nagendra Gavvala (India)*
- 14:30 **O 035** **Stepping back to step forward with SMILE: Facilitating student midwife-led antenatal care**  
*Speaker: Hei Yee (Amy) Tang (Australia)*
- 14:45 **O 036** **Designing a physiologic birth workshop for student midwives: Honouring and maintaining skills for physiologic birth in a “high tech” culture**  
*Speaker: Momina Khan (Canada)*
- 15:00 **T 005** **Implementation of competency-based education for quality midwifery programmes in Africa: A scoping review**  
*3-minute speaker: Waleola Ige (Nigeria)*
- 15:03 **Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Obstetric violence  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

**Chair: Sandra Oyarzo Torres (Netherlands)**

- 14:00 **O 037** **Mistreatment and disrespectful care during labour and birth in Sweden**  
*Speaker: Frida Viirman (Sweden)*
- 14:15 **O 038** **A collaborative midwifery model: Learning from the South Asian maternal health conference to tackle inequity and birth trauma**  
*Speaker: Nafiza Anwar (United Kingdom)*
- 14:30 **O 039** **Experiences of disrespect and abuse at childbirth: A mixed-method study across 22 European countries**  
*Speaker: Anna Galle (Belgium)*
- 14:45 **T 006** **In their own words: How does obstetric violence manifest in high-income countries? Using I-poems to broaden understanding through women’s voices**  
*3-minute speaker: Emilie Leyvraz (Spain)*



14:48 **T 007** Reframing obstetric violence culture: The midwifery role in disrupting this gender-based violence

3-minute speaker: Margaret Runyon (USA)

14:51 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Association strengthening 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Evelyn Annette Kanyunyuzi (Uganda)**

14:00 **O 044** Strengthening the Independent Midwives Association Lesotho through digital empowerment, advocacy, and community engagement: Building brand awareness through IMAL's social media platforms

Speaker: Sehloho Ntlhane (Lesotho)

14:15 **O 045** Independent Midwives Association of Namibia's digital presence for championing midwifery in Namibia

Speaker: Tekla Shiindi-Mbidi (Namibia)

14:30 **O 046** Strengthening midwifery through twinning: Reflections from a 9-Month in-country expert-led experience

Speaker: Niwamanya Ritah (Uganda)

14:45 **T 008** From digital communication and marketing to strengthening midwifery associations

3-minute speaker: Rafat Jan (Pakistan)

14:48 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Digital technology/AI 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Malin Bogren (Sweden)**

14:00 **O 047** Enhancing women-centered care in Tanzania: Evaluating a mobile health application for pregnant women and midwives

Speaker: Yoko Shimpuku (Japan)

14:15 **O 048** Exploring digital adaptability in midwifery and nursing students

Speaker: Luka Van Leugenhaege (Belgium)

14:30 **O 049** Thinking critically with artificial intelligence: A new frontier in midwifery education

Speaker: Laura Gabriel (Australia)

14:45 **O 050** MAM\*AI-Developing an AI-powered chatbot for midwives in Zanzibar supporting evidence-based and real-time clinical decision making

Speaker: Leah Bohle (Switzerland)



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

**PF** Partner Funded Session

**PP** Plenary Session

**15:00** **T 009** Nurturing midwifery expertise through the development and operation of a pregnancy support chatbot by midwifery students in Japan  
3-minute speaker: Asuka Waki (Japan)

**15:03** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Marginalized—migrants

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Zenab Barry (United Kingdom)**

**14:00** **O 051** Improving birth outcomes and experiences: The impact of multicultural doulas for newly arrived migrant women in Norway  
Speaker: Hanna Oommen (Norway)

**14:15** **O 052** Participatory approaches to informing policy and practice: Collaborating with migrant women as experts by experience  
Speaker: Zenab Barry (United Kingdom)

**14:30** **O 053** Maternal and early childhood health outcomes of migrants in high-income countries and the impact of restrictive healthcare policies: A systematic review and meta-analysis  
Speaker: Hannah Rayment-Jones (United Kingdom)

**14:45** **O 054** Enhanced access to sexual and reproductive health services for Venezuelan migrants in public healthcare settings in Trinidad and Tobago in 2023–2024  
Speaker: Nicole Reece-James (Trinidad and Tobago)

**15:00** **Panel discussion**

SPANISH

## Concurrent Session: Spanish—policy (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Alicia Carrasco Parra (Chile)**

**14:00** **O 055** Evaluating to transform: Midterm progress and challenges of the “Global Midwifery Strategy 2018–2030” in Latin America and the Caribbean  
Speaker: Jovita Ortiz (Chile)

**14:15** **O 056** Sustained leadership of the Paraguayan Association of Obstetricians in the formulation and updating of the Professional Practice Law: An experience in health policy advocacy  
Speaker: Sandra Elizabeth López Benitez (Paraguay)

**14:30** **O 057** Strengthening maternal health surveillance: Humanizing data quality control in Peru’s nutritional databases, 2024  
Speaker: Estefanía Sachenka Lecca Sanchez (Peru)



14:45 **O 058** **Midwives on the front line: Survival analysis in children under 5 by prenatal psychosocial risk and poverty in a national Chilean cohort a 2007–2023**

Speaker: *María Begoña Carroza Escobar (Chile)*

15:00 **T 010** **Bridging gaps in midwifery practice: Comparing Latin American midwives' scope of practice with the 2024 ICM competency framework**

3-minute speaker: *Diego Rodríguez Navarro (Chile)*

15:03 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Education faculty development 1

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Rikke Damkjaer Maimburg (Denmark)**

14:00 **O 059** **Designing for impact: An evidence-informed framework for midwifery faculty development in low- and middle-income countries**

Speaker: *Rachel Smith (Australia)*

14:15 **O 060** **Evaluation of the feasibility of a midwifery educator continuous professional development (CPD) programme in Kenya and Nigeria: A mixed methods study**

Speaker: *Duncan N Shikuku (USA)*

14:30 **O 061** **Expanding and strengthening the midwifery workforce in Michigan through innovative community and academic partnerships: The Michigan Midwifery Maternity Care Scholars program**

Speaker: *Lisa Kane Low (USA)*

14:45 **O 062** **Where care is missing, we build pathways: Reimagining the role of accreditors in workforce development of Certified Professional Midwives in the United States**

Speaker: *Shirdell Mattox (USA)*

15:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Professional development—identity (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Nassifu Ssemwanga (Uganda)**

14:00 **O 063** **The art of midwifery: Seeing and doing the “invisible” skills to revolutionize midwifery-led care**

Speaker: *Emily Gillard (Canada)*

14:15 **O 064** **Centering midwives through oral history: From the frontline of maternal health transformation in Bangladesh**

Speaker: *Melissa Cheyney (USA)*



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

**PF** Partner Funded Session

**PP** Plenary Session

**14:30** **O 065** **Strengthening midwifery practice through evidence: The Clinical Practice Guideline Program at the Association of Ontario Midwives**

*Speaker: Rachel Warren (Canada)*

**14:45** **O 066** **Professional identity formation of newly qualified midwives during their orientation in free-standing birth centres**

*Speaker: Nancy Stone (Germany)*

**15:00** **T 011** **Reclaiming trust: Re-centring women’s choices in maternity care**

*3-minute speaker: Natalia Karali (United Kingdom)*

**15:03** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**W 07: Workshop: Providing respectful, adolescent-centred maternity care: A practical skills workshop for midwives working with adolescents in resource-limited settings**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitators: Felicity Copeland (Australia), Caroline Homer (Australia)*

ENGLISH

**W 08: Workshop: One in a million? Exploring the challenges and potential strategies in preparing the midwife teacher/lecturer to build a globally competent midwifery education workforce**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 1.08

*Facilitators: Jayne Marshall (United Kingdom), Silvia Ammann-Fiechter (Switzerland)*

ENGLISH

**W 09: Workshop: The Arab Regional Midwifery Advisory Group (ARMAG) for advancing midwifery leadership in the Arab States**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3D

*Facilitator: Iman Kanaan (Lebanon)*

ENGLISH

**W 10: Workshop: Intrapartum visual interpretation of the cardiotocograph trace without the use of adjunct technologies in low and middle income countries**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitators: Sanele Lukhele (South Africa), Fhumulani Mulaudzi (South Africa)*



ENGLISH

**W 11: Workshop: Beyond the stats: Teaching perinatal inequality data with confidence and care**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitator: Benash Nazmeen (United Kingdom)*

ENGLISH

**W 12: Workshop: Skills workshop: Acupressure for pain relief in labour**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitator: Loredana Zordan (Italy)*

ENGLISH

**Practice Session: Cross Border Venture practice session: How the mom incubator advances midwifery-led newborn care globally**

15:30–16:00, SALA 0.03

AI-TRANSLATED

**Concurrent Session: Maternal mortality**

16:00–17:30, PAVILION 2

**Chair: Malin Bogren (Sweden)**

**16:00 O 079 A disabling practice environment: Barriers to and facilitators of immediate postpartum and newborn care by midwives in one district in central Uganda**

*Speaker: Nassifu Ssemwanga (Uganda)*

**16:15 O 080 Frequency of team-simulation and reduction in maternal deaths following Safer Births Bundle of Care implementation—A prospective observational study**

*Speaker: Kjetil Torgeirsen (Norway)*

**16:30 O 415 Representation to influence: Equipping midwifery leadership with health diplomacy skills for global impact**

*Speaker: Sylvia P. Hamata (Namibia)*

**16:45 Panel discussion**



AI-TRANSLATED

## Concurrent Session: Data collection (including three-minute presentation competition)

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM I

Chair: TBC

**16:00 O 067** One million more midwives—One hundred (or more) midwifery quality indicators: Results from an international scoping review and modified Delphi study

Speaker: Jyai Allen (Australia)

**16:15 O 069** Inequities in the quality of maternal and neonatal care in Portugal: Results from the IMAGiNE EURO project

Speaker: Maria Arminda Nunes (Portugal)

**16:30 O 070** Protecting and promoting the midwifery model of care: Strengthening midwifery practice, clinical outcomes, and patient experience data

Speaker: Erin George (USA)

**16:45 T 012** Measuring what matters after birth: Capturing long-term postpartum health data to advocate for more midwives and better care

3-minute speaker: Emily Leefhelm (Australia)

**16:48 T 013** Missed midwifery care during labour and birth

3-minute speaker: Giulia Maga (Italy)

**16:51 Panel discussion**

AI-TRANSLATED

## Partner Funded Session: EWENE (Every Woman, Every Newborn, Everywhere) in collaboration with Unitaid, UNFPA, and ICM: “But the oxytocin doesn’t work!”: Midwives at the frontline of pharmacovigilance

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM II

There has been increased discussion—through the EWENE partnership and others—about the importance of ensuring consistent access to quality MNH products in order to reach the SDGs. The principal health worker who delivers those products to women and newborns during ANC, intrapartum care and PNC/PPC is the midwife. Specifically, midwives are on the front line of pharmacovigilance in countries, and their active participation is critical to ensuring that system functions. While midwives are the principal provider of services, they are not often enough supported to be critical leaders of the systems for ensuring delivery of those services. Furthermore, national pharmacovigilance systems, if they exist at national level, are frequently opaque and not accessible. Midwives should understand, use and support those systems, and be leaders of national MNH product access systems. The session will: 1. Clearly articulate the importance of consistent availability of health products for MNH care 2. Describe and understand the national pharmacovigilance systems, and the domains of national MNH product access systems (using the EWENE Access Pathway for Quality



MNH Products 2026) 3. Provide midwives with the insight, skills and tools to be able to be leaders for access to quality MNH products in country  
4. Provide midwives with a simple analytical tool that enables them to analyze their health system and promote functionality of the national pharmacovigilance system for their profession.

Facilitator: Mikaela Hildebrand

ENGLISH

**ICM Workshop: Building the movement for and with women: PUSH for rights, for women, for midwives**

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

This workshop introduces the movement for woman-centred care and midwives. Participants will learn practical advocacy tools and discuss who holds power, and how to build coalitions to influence improvements in SRMNAH services. We will discuss collaborating with civil society and social media influencers to raise awareness about who midwives are and what they do. Participants will explore how to integrate midwives within gender equality, human rights, and climate advocacy agendas.

Facilitator: Merette Khalil (Egypt)

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Workforce—sustainability 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)**

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Karolina Linden (Sweden)**

- 16:00 **O 071** **Understanding why experienced midwives (10+ years) leave the profession before retirement—Across all areas of practice**  
*Speaker: Anita Oehler (Australia)*
- 16:15 **O 072** **Midwives’ turnover intentions across work experience levels: A comparative analysis of junior, mid, and senior experienced midwives**  
*Speaker: Tirza Beekhof-’t Lam (Netherlands)*
- 16:30 **O 073** **The will to stay: A qualitative exploration of midwives’ motivation to stay in the profession**  
*Speaker: Astrid Vereecken-Schoo (Netherlands)*
- 16:45 **O 074** **Ensuring a Competent and sustainable workforce of Midwives in Norway (CompMid)**  
*Speaker: Erica Schytt (Norway)*
- 17:00 **T 014** **How to decolonize obstetrics? Notes for an anti-racist and feminist practice from the perspective of the public health system in Brazil**  
*3-minute speaker: Bianca Zorzam (Brazil)*
- 17:03 **Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Continuity of care—implementation 1

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

**Chair: Ayman Abdelmohsen (Kenya)**

- 16:00 **O 075** Ghanaian midwives readiness for transitioning to continuity of midwifery care models: A quantitative feasibility study  
*Speaker: Adiza Atoko Mumuni (Ghana)*
- 16:15 **O 076** Labouring under strain: Midwifery and the history of maternity care crisis in Canada  
*Speaker: Danielle Latchman (Canada)*
- 16:30 **O 077** A framework for investing in midwifery: Resource needs and benefits of care provided by midwives across three countries  
*Speaker: Geeta Lal (USA)*
- 16:45 **O 078** Implementing midwifery continuity of carer (MCoC) in England: Key findings for the midwifery workforce  
*Speaker: Heather Strange (United Kingdom)*

17:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Abuse—domestic violence

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Karen Guilliland (New Zealand)**

- 16:00 **O 081** Barriers to implementing screening for intimate partner violence in Papua New Guinea: Health care providers perspectives  
*Speaker: Cherolyn Pokawin Polomon (Australia)*
- 16:15 **O 082** The identification of coercive control by midwives  
*Speaker: Anna Sydor (United Kingdom)*
- 16:30 **O 083** Childhood adversities and negative childbirth experiences: A population-based retrospective cohort study of women in Iceland  
*Speaker: Emma Swift (Iceland)*
- 16:45 **O 084** Lessons learned from implementing digital screening and midwife-led support for IPV in antenatal care  
*Speaker: Karen Andreasen (Denmark)*

17:00 **Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Physiological—labour progress (including three-minute presentation competition)**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Brianna Byers (India)**

- 16:00 **O 085** **A new model for individual cervical dilation labor curves: A registry-based cohort study**  
*Speaker: Johanne Mamohau Egenberg Huurnink (Norway)*
- 16:15 **O 086** **Midwives' perspectives on the occiput posterior fetal position during labour and birth: Findings from a focus group interview study.**  
*Speaker: Anna Lindgren (Sweden)*
- 16:30 **O 410** **Integrative approaches, modern evidence: The effect of moxibustion frequency on labor outcomes in a midwife-led setting**  
*Speaker: Herdhika Ayu Retno Kusumasari (Indonesia)*
- 16:45 **T 015** **Orgasmic Birth: The anatomy of pleasure in childbirth**  
*3-minute speaker: Debra Pascali-Bonaro (USA)*
- 16:48 **T 016** **Rebozo and maternal procedures to reduce persistent occiput posterior position of the fetal head: Protocol for a randomized clinical trial—The ReMaP-POPP RCT—**  
*3-minute speaker: Maria Panzeri (Italy)*
- 16:51 **T 017** **Preparation for a feasibility and pilot study of maternal posture for occiput posterior position in labour (POPPII)**  
*3-minute speaker: Jennifer Barrowclough (New Zealand)*

**16:54 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Marginalized—racism**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Baweza Felista (Uganda)**

- 16:00 **O 087** **Understanding midwives' withdrawal from the profession due to racism and discrimination: A phenomenological study of lived experiences in the U.S. maternity system**  
*Speaker: E. Brie Thumm (USA)*
- 16:15 **O 088** **Co-producing more inclusive care: Experiences of racism from Swedish maternal care**  
*Speaker: Elin Ternström (Sweden)*
- 16:30 **O 089** **Data justice by design: Advancing midwifery through Black-led health governance in Canada**  
*Speaker: Josephine Etowa (Canada)*
- 16:45 **O 090** **Black birth, culture, and community: A Hoodoo perspective explored through Black birth narratives**  
*Speaker: Rennetta Mulkey (USA)*



**17:00 Panel discussion**

FRENCH

**Concurrent Session: French—professional identity**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Iman Kanaan (Lebanon)**

**16:00 O 091** Fear, anxiety and stress in midwifery students: An integrative review of the literature

*Speaker: Serena Neri (Italy)*

**16:15 O 092** Discovering the invisible: Midwifery students' journey in supporting physiological birth through continuity of care placements

*Speaker: Julie Ouellet (Canada)*

**16:30 O 093** Towards a coherent and unified European framework for the midwifery profession

*Speaker: Marianne Truong Canh (France)*

**16:45 O 094** When emotions become resistance: Rebellious emotions and low-profile resistances in midwifery—A qualitative study with 57 midwives from 36 countries

*Speaker: Marie-Laure Deneffe Dobrzynski (France)*

**17:00 O 412** Midwives as community catalysts: promoting reproductive health through the Healthathon initiative in the Béni Mellal Region, Morocco

*Speaker: Laila Acharai (Morocco)*

**17:15 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Education—cultural safety**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Dilek Mamik Aktay (Turkey)**

**16:00 O 095** The effect of an educational program on midwifery students' cultural sensitivity, awareness, and professional values: A quasi-experimental study

*Speaker: Hacer Yalniz Dilcen (Turkey)*

**16:15 O 096** Factors affecting midwifery students' intercultural sensitivity and xenophobia levels in Turkiye

*Speaker: Çağla Kılıç (Turkey)*

**16:30 O 097** What are the experiences of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Student Midwives and Midwives?

*Speaker: Stacey Butcher (Australia)*

**16:45 O 098** Midwifery students' experiences in educational material development: A qualitative evaluation of process and product

*Speaker: Seda Serhatlioglu (Turkey)*

**17:00 Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Leadership 1  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Julie Nyanchama (Kenya)**

**16:00 O 099** Vital historical lessons for the ICM today

*Speaker: Joyce Elaine Thompson (USA)*

**16:15 O 101** Building power to scale: The role of black midwifery leadership in transforming maternal health systems

*Speaker: Noelene Jeffers (USA)*

**16:30 T 018** The future of health sounds like midwifery: System transformation through midwifery leadership

*3-minute speaker: Cj Blennerhassett (Canada)*

**16:33 T 026** Defend Chilean midwives: How to stop the law limiting their competencies

*3-minute speaker: Helena Lopez Paredes (United Kingdom)*

**16:36 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**W 13: Workshop: Driving change: Your role in the transition in organisation of maternal and newborn care**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitator: Jolanda Liebrechts (Netherlands)*

SPANISH

**W 14: Workshop: PEERS (perineal trauma: evaluation, evaluation, education and repair and scanning) workshop: How to prevent, how to repair and how managing healing of perineal tears related-childbirth**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 1.08

*Facilitator: Margarita Manresa (Spain)*

ENGLISH

**W 15: Workshop: Pregnancy as the key to a healthy society: Science-based tools to create happier brains, calmer mothers and stronger families through food, movement and mindset**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3D

*Facilitator: Jutta Wohlrab (Germany)*



ENGLISH

**W 16: Workshop: Skills workshop in developing global solidarity partnerships to ensure quality education and research capacity building of one million more midwives**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitators: Berit Mortensen (Norway), Alison McFadden (United Kingdom)*

ENGLISH

**W 17: Workshop: Perineal integrity and perineal repair after childbirth: A basic suturing workshop for midwives**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitators: Eileen Thrower (USA), Mary Kay Miller (USA)*

ENGLISH

**W 18: Workshop: Shared decision making and birthplans: Tips and tricks**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitators: Jeroen Van Dillen (Netherlands), Marianne Nieuwenhuijze (Netherlands)*

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**Satellite Symposium: Fireside Chat symposium: The Lisbon Moment—Five professions, one call to action for mothers and child survival in low- and middle-income countries**

17:30–19:00, AUDITORIUM II

Join leaders from the International Confederation of Midwives (ICM), FIGO, IPA, ICN, and COINN for a high-level Fireside Chat launching a global call to action on maternal and newborn survival. This landmark session will showcase interprofessional collaboration in action, highlighting the power of coordinated, team-based care to reduce preventable deaths in low- and middle-income countries. Participants will explore how global and national partnerships can accelerate progress for women, newborns, and families.

*Facilitator: Zaituni Nabateregga (Uganda)*



**SS** Satellite Symposium

**W** Workshop

**T** Three-minute thesis presentation

**PS** Poster Session

**P** Practice Session

ENGLISH

**Practice Session: Cross Border Venture practice session: IgG binding proteins to support a healthy gut of newborns and mothers, at risk of cholera and ETEC diarrhea**

17:30–18:00, SALA 0.03

**Poster session 1 (Group A)**

17:30–18:30, PAVILION 4



## Tuesday, 16 June 2026

ENGLISH

### Satellite Symposium: WHO/HRP breakfast symposium: Comprehensive training materials for WHO antenatal care recommendations for a positive pregnancy experience: Feedback session

08:00–08:45, ROOM 3A

WHO is developing comprehensive training package for frontline health workers, including two components for implementing—the WHO ANC recommendations including the 8-contact model (5-day modular training) and basic obstetric ultrasound (10-day modular training, 5 days of theory, 5 days of practice) With the goal of co-branding the final version of the training materials with ICM, we will share the latest draft of resources for each for feedback on content and any necessary changes to ensure successful implementation at primary health level facilities in LMICs.

*Facilitators: Ram Chahar (India), Maria Barreix Etchegoimberry*

ENGLISH

### Satellite Symposium: Van Leer Foundation breakfast symposium: The emerging science on parent wellbeing and human connection

08:00–08:45, ROOM 3B

This breakfast session brings neuroscientists and midwives together for a cross-sector conversation on why and how a focus on parent wellbeing can be centred across pregnancy, birth and infant care. Drawing on ideas from the latest issue of Early Childhood Matters, we will explore how becoming a parent rewires our brains and bodies, the neuroscience on how caregiving shapes the social brain, why parents need support to protect their own “body budget,” and how midwives can help mothers (and fathers) prepare for the demands and wonder of becoming a parent—while still caring for themselves. Understanding the science of the parental brain can help midwives recognise the biological and emotional transitions new parents undergo, anticipate moments of vulnerability, and strengthen their ability to offer sensitive, attuned support. This session will suit midwives interested in broader perspectives on parent wellbeing, neuroscience, and the role of pregnancy and birth in shaping lifelong health and relationships.

*Facilitator: Hannah Rothschild*

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### Plenary session 2: Midwives in crisis—Responding to global emergencies and challenges to the profession

09:00–10:30, PAVILION 2

Women and midwives are facing intersecting crises worldwide: pushback on women’s rights, frontline roles in humanitarian and climate emergencies, and pressures on the midwifery profession itself. This session explores



how midwives navigate these challenges, share their experiences, and use knowledge and community partnerships to ensure all communities have access to quality care. Attendees will gain insight into global forces affecting their work, the fragility of progress, and how they too can make a difference in every crisis.

Keynote speaker: Paola Salwan Daher (Lebanon)

Panelists: Neha Mankani (Pakistan), Soo Downe (United Kingdom),

Macarena Martínez (Chile), Nicole Reece-James (Trinidad and Tobago)

ENGLISH

**Practice Session: GE Healthcare practice session: Hands on in labor: Wireless monitoring & rapid handheld ultrasound assessments to support confident midwifery care**

10:30–11:00, SALA 0.03

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**Concurrent Session: Labour and birth—caesarean section**

11:00–12:30, PAVILION 2

**Chair: Felicity Copeland (Australia)**

11:00 **O 115** **Breaking the surgical team hierarchies by midwives through obstetric safe surgery implementation in Nakuru County, Kenya**

Speaker: Mary Muthengi (Kenya)

11:15 **O 116** **Strengthening health systems for safe and appropriate caesarean use in low-middle income countries (LMIC): Learnings from the C-Safe pilot intervention in Andhra Pradesh, India**

Speaker: Inderjeet Kaur (India)

11:30 **O 117** **Beyond tradition and technology: The rising tide of elective c-sections in South India and the call for midwives**

Speaker: Brianna Byers (India)

11:45 **O 413** **How can simulation training on prolonged labour influence the caesarean section rate during the active labour phase?**

Speaker: Signe Egenberg (Norway)

12:00 **Panel discussion**

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**Concurrent Session: Breastfeeding—milk donation**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM I

**Chair: Helen Sutherland (Switzerland)**

11:00 **O 105** **Exploring human milk donation: A cross-sectional study**

Speaker: Mieke Stiers (Belgium)



C Concurrent Session

IW ICM Workshop

PF Partner Funded Session

PP Plenary Session

11:15 **O 106** Establishment of Hong Kong's first breast milk bank—Key roles of midwives

Speaker: Sze Ki Wong (Hong Kong)

11:30 **O 107** Enhancing donor human milk sustainability in Switzerland: Analysis of guidelines, policy documents, and stakeholder experience

Speaker: Christelle Kaech (Switzerland)

11:45 **Panel discussion**

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**Partner Funded Session: Ferring partner session: Elevating the new consolidated PPH Guidelines for midwives in high-burden countries to lead the charge for quality life-saving care**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM II

ENGLISH

**ICM Workshop: Developing strong midwife faculty**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

Quality midwifery education depends on strong, supported faculty. This workshop introduces the ICM Global Standards for Midwife Faculty Development and their practical use. Participants will explore country examples, apply the standards to strengthen faculty development, enhance education quality, and support safe, high-quality midwifery care for women, newborns and adolescents.

Facilitators: Kate Stringer (Netherlands), Rachel Smith (Australia), Malin Bogren (Sweden), Paridhi Jha (India)

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: SRHR—Preconception/contraception (including three-minute presentation competition)**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VI

Chair: Deborah Davis (Australia)

11:00 **O 102** Effect of integrated preconception care model on maternal nutritional status and birth outcome in low resource setting of India: A non-randomized control trial

Speaker: Dharitri Swain (India)

11:15 **O 103** Midwives as catalysts for change: Understanding barriers and facilitators to postnatal contraception in the UK

Speaker: Judith Cutter (United Kingdom)

11:30 **O 104** Ghanaian midwives' ability to deliver preconception care

Speaker: Gisela Amoah (Ghana)

11:45 **T 019** Development of a preconception care attitude scale: Factor analysis from a survey of 1,700 women in Japan

3-minute speaker: Erika Ota (Japan)

**11:48 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Professional development—networks  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Maria Tzeli (Greece)**

- 11:00 O 108** Midwife of the North, a place to collaborate, share, and grow during midwifery education within the Nordic and Baltic region  
*Speaker: Pernilla Stenbäck (Finland)*
- 11:15 O 109** Investing in the international research network for compassionate midwifery: Advancing maternal and newborn health through research and collaboration  
*Speaker: Diane Menage (United Kingdom)*
- 11:30 O 110** Organizing for equity: Building collaborative communities  
*Speaker: Christina Marea (USA)*
- 11:45 T 020** The power in vulnerability: Understanding, knowledge, and meaning through storytelling in midwifery education, research and practice  
*3-minute speaker: Kristen Graham (Australia)*

**11:48 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Labour and birth—evidence**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

**Chair: Josephine Frame (United Kingdom)**

- 11:00 O 111** Relationship between fear severity and satisfaction at vaginal childbirth—Comparison natural birth and epidural birth—  
*Speaker: Ayako Hayashi (Japan)*
- 11:15 O 112** Exploring the passive phase of second stage labour in healthy childbearing women: Implications for physiological birth care  
*Speaker: Maria Panzeri (Italy)*
- 11:30 O 113** Implementing evidence-based and compassionate midwifery practice in pursuit of midwifery-led models of care: A strategic process model applied in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KRI)  
*Speaker: Maria Soldner (Iraq)*
- 11:45 O 114** Emergency skills in upright breech birth: A Delphi study  
*Speaker: Megan Bobier (Canada)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Climate change 1

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Dilek Mamik Aktay (Turkey)**

**11:00 O 118 Building maternal resilience: Mapping research priorities on maternal and infant nutritional health and wellbeing in the context of climate change in Pakistan**

*Speaker: Sadiq Bhanbhro (United Kingdom)*

**11:15 O 119 Midwives' views on the impact of the climate crisis on reproductive health: A qualitative study**

*Speaker: Aysenur Cintemur (Turkey)*

**11:30 O 120 The resilience of reproductive health services in the context of climate-induced disasters in Indonesia: A mixed method study in Central Sulawesi**

*Speaker: Dewi Novitasari Suhaid (Indonesia)*

**11:45 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Cultural safety

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Leah Bohle (Switzerland)**

**11:00 O 122 Empowered to empower: Midwives, relationships, and systemic change in Ethiopia**

*Speaker: Jolene Wescombe (New Zealand)*

**11:15 O 123 Utilising a dual moderator approach in focus groups to evaluate maternal health programmes in diverse communities**

*Speaker: Rohit Sagoo (United Kingdom)*

**11:30 O 124 Birth as a cultural experience: Pain, rituals, and knowledge through the lens of traditional midwifery. Based on my anthropological research and fieldwork across the world**

*Speaker: Tsippy Monat (Israel)*

**11:45 O 125 Rebuilding the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workforce to provide culturally responsive continuity of midwifery care**

*Speaker: Catherine Chamberlain (Australia)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Midwife autonomy  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Namakula Ritah (Uganda)**

- 11:00 **O 127** **Midwifery-led sexual and reproductive health in the community: A new model of care in Australia**  
*Speaker: Gabriella Piemonte (Australia)*
- 11:15 **O 128** **Individual readiness of midwives working in outpatient clinics in Ukraine to see patients autonomously**  
*Speaker: Olha Honcharenko (Ukraine)*
- 11:30 **O 129** **Midwifery in crisis: Lessons from Bangladesh's Rohingya Refugee response and its potential for global replication—A narrative review of literature**  
*Speaker: Jakaria Hossain (USA)*
- 11:45 **T 021** **Midwives at the forefront: Expanding access to comprehensive abortion and contraceptive services in Ethiopia**  
*3-minute speaker: Abiyot Belai (Ethiopia)*

**11:48 Panel discussion**

## SPANISH

**Concurrent Session: Spanish—SRHR  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Jovita Ortiz (Chile)**

- 11:00 **O 130** **Midwife-led sexual and reproductive health care model for migrant women survivors of sexual violence in humanitarian crisis contexts: Experience from Mexico's northern border**  
*Speaker: Ximena Rojas García (Mexico)*
- 11:15 **O 131** **Sex education in a prison context: Pilot implementation of comprehensive sex education strategy for incarcerated women in Santiago, Chile**  
*Speaker: María Cornejo Moreno (Chile)*
- 11:30 **O 132** **Reproductive autonomy in selected Latin American countries: Preliminary findings 2025**  
*Speaker: Alicia Carrasco Parra (Chile)*
- 11:45 **O 133** **Abortion accompaniment through midwifery: Ancestral knowledge and collective healing in contexts of structural violence in Michoacán, Mexico**  
*Speaker: Yuridia Monjaraz Estevez (Mexico)*



12:00 **T 022** Comprehensive support system for midwives to women undergoing abortion using telemedicine in México

3-minute speaker: *Guadalupe Hernández (Mexico)*

12:03 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Education—curriculum 2

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5B

Chair: **Chloe Natasha Richards (Jersey)**

11:00 **O 134** Cultivating change agents: A barbadian model for evidence-based midwifery education

Speaker: *Wendy Sealy (Barbados)*

11:15 **O 135** The quality maternal and newborn care (QMNC) framework: Reflections of the first five years of systematic examination of the newborn within the UK midwifery curriculum

Speaker: *Mary Sheridan (United Kingdom)*

11:30 **O 136** Empowering midwives: Strengthening pre-service education in Pakistan on postabortion care and family planning

Speaker: *Aisha Fatima (Pakistan)*

11:45 **O 137** Transforming maternal health: Success story of community midwifery initiative in Sindh, Pakistan

Speaker: *Farhana Memon (Pakistan)*

12:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Partner Funded Session: Maternity Foundation partner session: Safe Delivery App (SDA) integrated modern contraception workshop, Part (A)

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5C

Access to high-quality, affordable sexual and reproductive health services and information is a fundamental right. Contraceptives prevent unintended pregnancies, reduce the number of abortions, and lower the incidence of death and disability related to complications of pregnancy and childbirth. This 180-minute Safe Delivery App (SDA) integrated workshop, facilitated by Maternity Foundation, focuses on strengthening midwives' knowledge and competencies in modern contraceptive methods including contraception counselling. It covers different contraceptive methods, with emphasis on effectiveness, medical eligibility, side effects, and method continuation. Grounded in evidence-based guidelines, the workshop highlights the critical role of midwives in providing high-quality, rights-based and client-centred contraceptive counselling. Workstations with hands-on training on the placement of intrauterine contraceptive devices (interval and immediate post-partum) and interactive discussions will support the application of knowledge to clinical practice across the continuum



of maternal and reproductive health care. The workshop will happen in 2 parts of 90-minutes each with a break in-between.

Facilitators: Abra Pearl (India), Mary Bright (India), Ann-Marie Christiansen (Denmark), Frederikke Busch (Denmark)

ENGLISH

### W 19: Workshop: Bridging the gap: Strengthening midwifery education in the practice setting amidst the many workforce challenges

11:00-12:30, ROOM 1.07

Facilitators: Silvia Ammann-Fiechter (Switzerland), Jayne Marshall (United Kingdom)

ENGLISH

### W 20: Workshop: “With woman” in the moment: Cultivating empathy in clinical practice through immersive role-play

11:00-12:30, ROOM 1.08

Facilitator: Irina Mateescu (Romania)

ENGLISH

### W 21: Workshop: Strengthening mothers and midwives in crises—Hands in hands with affected mothers and midwives post-earthquake projects of Türkiye—Workshop on translating crises into practice

11:00-12:30, ROOM 3D

Facilitator: Burcu Yurtsal (Turkey)

ENGLISH

### W 22: Workshop: Essential midwifery skills: Diagnosing different types of female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) and providing compassionate, holistic, culturally sensitive, trauma-informed care

11:00-12:30, ROOM 3E

Facilitators: Janet Matilda Fyle (United Kingdom), Juliet Albert (United Kingdom), Marie Jones (Australia)

ENGLISH

### W 23: Workshop: IMPROVE (Improving perinatal mortality review and outcomes via education) workshop: Best practice perinatal bereavement care

11:00-12:30, ROOM 5D

Facilitators: Natasha Cocker (Australia), Emma Porter (Australia), Cherie Martin (Australia)



ENGLISH

**W 24: Workshop: Accrediting midwifery centers: A participatory workshop focused on the accreditation process to create sustainable quality, strengthening the midwifery model of care in health systems**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitators: Jennifer Stevens (USA), Summer Aronson (United Kingdom)*

**Poster session 2 (Group A)**

12:30–14:00, PAVILION 4

ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: Medela lunch symposium: Optimizing milk supply for mothers with lactation risk factors—The antenatal lactation screening tool and how to integrate it into your clinical practice**

12:50–13:50, ROOM 3A

Breastfeeding remains one of the most powerful contributors to maternal and infant health, yet global rates continue to fall short of World Health Organization targets, with many women discontinuing in the early postpartum period. This session explores why these gaps persist and highlights a critical but underrecognized contributor: antenatally detectable lactation risk factors that are rarely screened during routine care. The session contrasts global breastfeeding goals with real-world cessation patterns, establishing why earlier risk identification is essential. Key anatomical and endocrine factors—including elevated pre-pregnancy BMI, Gestational Diabetes Mellitus, polycystic ovary syndrome, and absence of breast changes—can be identified during pregnancy and significantly influence milk production. Attendees will learn about their prevalence in pregnant populations and how these factors shape breastfeeding outcomes both individually and in combination. The session provides practical tools for evaluating the clinical value of systematic antenatal lactation risk screening within existing maternity care models. Attendees will leave with actionable strategies for delivering targeted, proactive lactation support that improves breastfeeding success and strengthens long-term health outcomes for mothers and infants.

*Speakers: Donna Tracy Geddes (Australia), Stuart Prosser (Australia)*

ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: Laerdal lunch symposium: Preparing midwives for the future—The opportunity of simulation-based learning**

12:50–13:50, ROOM 3B

In this session global leaders in midwifery and simulation will explore how simulation-based training can strengthen midwifery education, provide new training approaches and improve patient outcomes. Panelists will



share real-world examples of simulation in action—from midwifery education to in-service team training—and discuss strategies for scaling simulation in both high- and low-resource settings. Key themes include using simulation to develop student competencies, leveraging actionable data to improve learning outcomes, linking simulation with quality improvement to drive better results, and integrating simulation into national health systems for long term impact. Whether you're an educator, policymaker, or practitioner, this session offers practical insights and examples to apply in your own context.

*Chair: Asmita Acharya (Nepal)*

*Panelists: Synnøve Eidsvik Folkvord (Norway), Klockar Linda Maria Nääs (Sweden), Hege Ersdal (Norway)*

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## Concurrent Session: Continuity of care—implementation 2

14:00–15:30, PAVILION 2

**Chair: Elaine Scudder (USA)**

14:00 **O 151** **Implementing midwife-led care in low-middle income countries: Lessons from two countries, a systematic review**

*Speaker: Olajumoke Adebayo (United Kingdom)*

14:15 **O 152** **Midwifery resilience, resistance, and the enduring commitment to physiological birth**

*Speaker: Erin Hanlon (New Zealand)*

14:30 **O 153** **Evaluation of the implementation of the Iris continuity of midwifery care team in Dundee, Scotland**

*Speaker: Alison McFadden (United Kingdom)*

14:45 **O 154** **Sustaining midwifery continuity of carer in practice: A system-wide mixed-method evaluation of a local maternity and neonatal service in North-West England**

*Speaker: Anna Byrom (United Kingdom)*

15:00 **Panel discussion**

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## Concurrent Session: Education—student experience 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM I

**Chair: Anitah Kusaasira (Uganda)**

14:00 **O 141** **Evaluation of a midwifery student employment model in Aotearoa New Zealand: Experiences of students and registered midwives**

*Speaker: Caitlin Woods (New Zealand)*

14:15 **O 142** **Barefoot midwife to bedside medwife: Midwives' pathways to education and practice in Alberta**

*Speaker: Deepali Upadhyaya (Canada)*



**14:30 O 374** Final-year midwifery students' experiences of being exposed to perinatal loss in one state in Australia: Recommendations for co-designed evidence-based best-practice education: A co-design approach

Speaker: Michelle Gray (Australia)

**14:45 T 024** A home of mothers, student midwives' experiences on the labour ward  
3-minute speaker: Caillyn Costello (Malawi)

**14:48** Panel discussion

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### Maternal Immunization Readiness Network in Africa and Asia and the Gates Foundation Partner Funded Session: From the Womb to the Ward: Protecting Newborns and Infants through Maternal Immunization

14:00-15:30, AUDITORIUM II

Please join us for an interactive, hands-on session where we will provide an update on new maternal vaccine programs, hear directly from patients, and invite you to reflect on (and provide input to) the development of respectful vaccine strategies for midwives, pregnant women, and their families.

Facilitators: Sandra Oyarzo Torres (Netherlands), Lisa Noguchi (USA), Olive Tengera (Rwanda), Amy Wise (South Africa), Julie Nyanchama (Kenya)

ENGLISH

### ICM Workshop: Champions of choice: Midwives advancing family planning and comprehensive abortion care

14:00-15:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

This workshop explores the full scope of midwifery practice in family planning and comprehensive abortion care, guided by the ICM Essential Competencies. Drawing on learning from the ICM/WHO/FIGO C4W project, participants will examine workforce optimisation, interprofessional collaboration, and advocacy strategies that strengthen enabling environments and expand women's reproductive rights and access to essential services.

Facilitators: Kate Stringer (Netherlands), Rosa Both (Netherlands), Jema Davis (United Kingdom), Justine Le Lez (France)



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Professional development—training  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VI

**Chair: Sanae El Omrani (Morocco)**

- 14:00 **O 138** **Improving midwives' confidence and competence with home birth: How a national policy and educational programme can support choice in place of birth**  
*Speaker: Sarah Turner (United Kingdom)*
- 14:15 **O 139** **Bridging the gap: Ultrasound training for midwives**  
*Speaker: Yasmin Casmod (South Africa)*
- 14:30 **O 140** **Scaling up midwife-led evidence-based practices in sub-Saharan Africa: Five years of the MIDWIZE leadership program in Ethiopia, Kenya, and Uganda**  
*Speaker: Kerstin Erlandsson (Sweden)*
- 14:45 **T 023** **More than data: When research gives back to midwives**  
*3-minute speaker: Maša Srovin (Slovenia)*
- 14:48 **Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Education—competency development 2**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Inderjeet Kaur (India)**

- 14:00 **O 143** **The character of a midwife: How affective education prepares the next generation of midwives for safe, respectful and evidence-based practice**  
*Speaker: Kristen Benoit (USA)*
- 14:15 **O 144** **Fit for practice: A cross-semester teaching event**  
*Speaker: Kristin Hammer (Switzerland)*
- 14:30 **O 145** **Student-led unit for midwifery students in Belgium: Sharing best practices**  
*Speaker: Kathleen Biesmans (Belgium)*
- 14:45 **O 146** **The virtual caseload: An innovation in teaching skills for continuity of carer**  
*Speaker: Helen White (United Kingdom)*
- 15:00 **Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: SRHR—Abortion

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

**Chair: Mikaela Hildebrand**

- 14:00 **O 147** **Cross-border solidarity and safe abortion: The role of midwives and policymakers in expanding access through telemedicine**  
*Speaker: Elke Tichelman (Netherlands)*
- 14:15 **O 148** **Disrupting systems: Midwives' experiences with providing abortion care in Canada**  
*Speaker: Valerie Perrault (Canada)*
- 14:30 **O 149** **Developing midwifery-led abortion training and care access**  
*Speaker: Asmara Gebre (USA)*
- 14:45 **O 150** **Informing global health policy: An umbrella review on prevalence, determinants, and post-abortion family planning utilization among women of reproductive age in Africa**  
*Speaker: Doreen Kaura (South Africa)*

15:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Marginalized—minorities

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Paulina Ospina (USA)**

- 14:00 **O 155** **Disparities in access to ambulance services during pregnancy, birth and the postpartum period in Northwest England: Associations with maternal and neonatal outcomes (DIAAS)**  
*Speaker: Stephanie Heys (United Kingdom)*
- 14:15 **O 156** **Shifrah UK: Towards Jewish cultural safety in maternity care**  
*Speaker: Laura Godfrey-Isaacs (United Kingdom)*
- 14:30 **O 157** **A midwife-led exploration of the experiences of and perspectives on antenatal care among mothers in an ethnically diverse neighbourhood in the United Kingdom**  
*Speaker: Shuby Puthussery (United Kingdom)*
- 14:45 **O 158** **Muslim women's experiences of maternity care services in Australia**  
*Speaker: Reem Najjar (Australia)*

15:00 **Panel discussion**



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Mental health—data**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Sharmina Rahman (Bangladesh)**

- 14:00 **O 159** **Toward reforming perinatal mental health policy in Indonesia: A Kingdon's multiple streams analysis**  
*Speaker: Miranie Safaringga (Taiwan (Province of China))*
- 14:15 **O 160** **A scoping review of perinatal mental health in the United Arab Emirates**  
*Speaker: Maeve Anne O'Connell (United Arab Emirates)*
- 14:30 **O 161** **Comparing birth outcomes for women with perinatal mental health conditions/substance use who received midwifery continuity of care with those who received non-continuity: A statewide study**  
*Speaker: Allison Cummins (Australia)*
- 14:45 **Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Regulation—implementation 1**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Susan Anyango (Uganda)**

- 14:00 **O 162** **Midwifery regulation and education in Hawaii, USA**  
*Speaker: Carmen Linhares (USA)*
- 14:15 **O 163** **Empowering independent midwifery governance under Indonesia's new health law**  
*Speaker: Gita Nirmala Sari (Indonesia)*
- 14:30 **O 164** **Regulatory challenges and private sector growth in Afghanistan's midwifery workforce (2001–2024): A historical and feminist perspective**  
*Speaker: Massoma Jafari (Canada)*
- 14:45 **O 165** **Regulatory transformation of midwifery in Indonesia: Strengthening professional development through Health Law No. 17 of 2023**  
*Speaker: Zakiyah Zakiyah (Indonesia)*
- 15:00 **Panel discussion**

## SPANISH

**Concurrent Session: Spanish—labour and birth**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Alicia Carrasco Parra (Chile)**

- 14:00 **O 166** **Women's experiences with vertical birth assistance at the Atacama Regional Hospital, Chile**  
*Speaker: Alba Rosa Martinez (Chile)*



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

**PF** Partner Funded Session

**PP** Plenary Session

**14:15** **O 167** **Resultados Maternos y Neonatales con el uso de la inmersión en el agua durante el trabajo de parto en Hospitales Españoles**

*Speaker: Eva Gilaberte Martínez (Spain)*

**14:30** **O 168** **Midwives and their perception of cesarean section rate in Uruguay**

*Speaker: María Carolina Farías Rodríguez (Uruguay)*

**14:45** **O 169** **FENOE–National Federation of Midwives and Obstetric Professionals of Ecuador: Their role in the interdisciplinary sexual and reproductive health network “Contigo en Red”**

*Speaker: Eréndira Betancourt (Ecuador)*

**15:00** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Woman centered 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Ruth Wagathu (Kenya)**

**14:00** **O 170** **Shared decision-making in maternity care: Comparing women’s MADM scores with self-assessments by midwives and obstetricians**

*Speaker: Anna Maria Rath (Austria)*

**14:15** **O 171** **Mother tongue in the birth room: Women and midwives’ experience**

*Speaker: Catrin Roberts (United Kingdom)*

**14:30** **O 172** **Experiences of reproductive and maternal care perceived by women who are deafblind: Understanding inclusive midwifery care**

*Speaker: Lourdes Rosario Herrera Cadillo (Japan)*

**14:45** **O 173** **Trusting birth: A radical act of reclaiming autonomy in Australian maternity care**

*Speaker: Emma Stephens-Black (Australia)*

**15:00** **T 025** **Fetal Movement Information and Language Proficiency: A retrospective cohort study exploring fetal movement discussions and attendance in a multilingual maternity population.**

*3-minute speaker: Natalie Charalambides (United Kingdom)*

**15:03** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Partner Funded Session: Maternity Foundation partner session: Safe Delivery App (SDA) integrated modern contraception workshop, Part (B)

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5C

*Facilitators: Abra Pearl (India), Mary Bright (India), Ann-Marie Christiansen (Denmark), Frederikke Busch (Denmark)*



## ENGLISH

**W 25: Workshop: Supporting the use of dynamic birth positions: A hands-on workshop for midwives**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitators: Christina Lundberg (Sweden), Helena Lindgren (Sweden)*

## ENGLISH

**W 26: Workshop: Enhancing midwives' psychological wellbeing and emotional intelligence: A practical introduction to the EIP programme**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 1.08

*Facilitator: Mo Tabib (United Kingdom)*

## ENGLISH

**W 27: Workshop: A way out of a 'Midwifery Professional Identity Crisis?': A crafting tool for designing, developing and implementing professional identity for future-proof practice**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3D

*Facilitators: Alieke De Roon-Immerzeel (Netherlands), Ruth Evers (Netherlands), Rachel Smith (Australia), Maaïke van Rijn (Netherlands)*

## ENGLISH

**W 28: Workshop: Preparing the next million midwives: A workshop on curriculum design and inquiry-based learning in midwifery education**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitator: Lois McKellar (Australia)*

## ENGLISH

**W 29: Workshop: The importance of updating your perineal suturing technique**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitator: Helena Lopez Paredes (United Kingdom)*

## ENGLISH

**W 30: Workshop: Empowering birth: Practical approaches to supporting women during pregnancy and birth**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitator: Fiona Molony (Ireland)*



ENGLISH

**Practice Session: Ferring practice session: Practical training session on postpartum haemorrhage prevention and early detection (English)**

15:30–16:00, SALA 0.03

Speakers: Vishal Shah (India), Eunice Atsali (Kenya), Hadijah Nakatudde (Uganda)

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**Concurrent Session: Leadership 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)**

16:00–17:30, PAVILION 2

Chair: Sandra Oyarzo Torres (Netherlands)

16:00 **O 181** Implementing a midwifery leadership structure across a nation

Speaker: Nicole Pihema (New Zealand)

16:15 **O 182** Queensland leading the way for midwifery leadership in Australia: Implementation of a Chief Midwife

Speaker: Liz Wilkes (Australia)

16:30 **T 027** From the birth room to the board room: Communication strategies of midwifery leaders at birthvillage

3-minute speaker: Priyanka Idicula (India)

16:33 **Panel discussion**

AI-TRANSLATED

**Concurrent Session: Continuity of care—outcomes 2**

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM I

Chair: Caterina Montagnoli (Switzerland)

16:00 **O 174** My midwife implementation of a continuity of care model for vulnerable women in Malmö, Sweden: Evaluation of Women’s experience, and medical and health outcomes

Speaker: Christine Rubertsson (Sweden)

16:15 **O 175** Midwife continuity of care model in regional Australia—Connections and social care for better pregnancy and birth outcomes

Speaker: Vanessa Page (Australia)

16:30 **O 176** Midwives generating evidence: Exploring water birth outcomes through professionally governed data

Speaker: Shanti Daellenbach (New Zealand)

16:45 **O 177** The Midwifery Group Practice Project

Speaker: Susan Crowther (New Zealand)

17:00 **Panel discussion**



## AI-TRANSLATED

**Partner Funded Session: Gates Foundation: Midwifery models that deliver: Evidence and lessons from exemplar countries for innovation implementation**

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM II

Strengthening midwifery models of care is critical to improving maternal and newborn outcomes in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs), yet there remains limited evidence on how to design and implement models that are both high-performing and sustainable, and how to effectively deploy innovations within them.

This session brings together new evidence from the EGH Midwifery Models of Care study in Kenya and Senegal and a conceptual framework that identifies the key factors influencing the performance, quality, and sustainability of successful midwifery models of care delivering RMNCH services. The framework draws on global evidence, including the Munabi-Babigumira et al. (2017) qualitative evidence synthesis, and incorporates key elements from foundational resources such as the WHO Midwifery Models of Care Position Paper, the ICM 2025 Policy Brief on midwife-led birthing centres, and the Lancet 2014 Series on Midwifery.

Findings from Kenya and Senegal will highlight typologies of midwifery models of care observed in each context, as well as key facilitators and barriers to innovation implementation. Cross-country insights will inform midwifery program design and strengthen strategic planning for innovation deployment in LMICs.

The session will then demonstrate how the conceptual framework can be applied to guide innovation deployment within midwifery models of care through a mapping exercise based on the EGH-MMoC framework. Using AI-enabled ultrasound as a case study, this exercise will illustrate relevant contextual factors and help identify what may be needed across macro-, meso-, and micro-level environments for successful product introduction. The session will also present practical approaches to new product introduction, drawing on early findings and lessons learned from deployment of the EMOTIVE PPH bundle within midwifery models of care. The session will conclude with a brief wrap-up and Q&A.

*Speakers: Jennifer A-Boateng (USA), Naa Dodoo (Kenya) Speaker: Moussa Sarr (Senegal), Charles Ameh (United Kingdom)*

## ENGLISH

**ICM Workshop: From preparedness to response: Midwives in humanitarian and climate contexts**

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

This workshop brings midwives from humanitarian and climate-affected settings together to examine how conflict, disasters, and climate change are reshaping maternal and newborn care. Through scenarios and shared reflection, participants will explore system disruption, evolving midwifery roles, preparedness gaps, and strategies to strengthen support, coordination, and recognition across diverse global contexts.



Facilitators: Neha Mankani (Pakistan), Liselotte Kweekel (Netherlands)

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: SRHR—Abortion training

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM VII

Chair: Macarena Martínez (Chile)

**16:00 O 178** Strengthening midwives' leadership for reproductive justice in the Democratic Republic of Congo: A VCAT-based approach as a catalyst for safe abortion advocacy

Speaker: Jean-Claude Mulunda Ilunga (Democratic Republic of the Congo)

**16:15 O 179** How can the safe delivery app contribute to making safer abortion more accessible in Sub-Saharan Africa?

Speaker: Ann-Marie Christiansen (Denmark)

**16:30 O 180** Community-led trainings on medication abortion in Indonesia: Effects on knowledge, attitudes, and practices of midwives and activists

Speaker: Mitra Kadarsih (Indonesia)

**16:45** Panel discussion

ENGLISH

### Partner Funded Session: WHO partner session: Global normative guidelines on menstrual health and endometriosis

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

Millions of women and girls globally—in countries of every income level—lack access to the full range of services that support menstrual health and enable them to menstruate with dignity. The experience of menstruation varies widely, from a positive or neutral uncomplicated physiologic process to a painful, shame-inducing or stigmatized condition that reduces quality of life and compromises overall health and well-being. Persistent inequities in infrastructure and resource distribution between and within countries—along with gender inequality and other social, political and commercial determinants of health—shape the extent to which women in all their diversity and across a range of settings can realize menstrual health. This session will introduce the steps WHO and ICM are taking in the development of the first global normative guideline on menstrual health.

Facilitators: Manjulaa Narasimhan (Switzerland), Carmen Logie (Canada), Andrea Guadalupe Rodríguez López (Mexico), Sergio Torres Rueda (South Africa)



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Abuse—survivors sexual violence**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Agnes Simon (France)**

- 16:00 **O 183** An integrated midwifery model of continuity of care for pregnant survivors of sexual and gender based violence in DR Congo  
*Speaker: Maria Hogenäs (Democratic Republic of the Congo)*
- 16:30 **O 185** Addressing the challenge of how to provide sensitive midwifery care to a silent hidden population  
*Speaker: Elsa Montgomery (United Kingdom)*
- 16:45 **O 186** Trauma informed midwifery: transforming care for women and maternity colleagues: mitigating the impact of childhood sexual abuse on women's pregnancy, birth and the maternity workforce.  
*Speaker: Michelle Wright (United Kingdom)*

**17:00 Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: SRHR—FGM**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Deborah Davis (Australia)**

- 16:00 **O 187** The SAFE project: Transforming midwifery education through the voices of women living with female genital mutilation/cutting  
*Speaker: Monica Diaz (Australia)*
- 16:15 **O 188** Exploring the lived experiences of twenty-nine survivors of Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting following their engagement with specialist FGM/C services in the UK: A PhD study  
*Speaker: Juliet Albert (United Kingdom)*
- 16:30 **O 189** Midwives activists for healthcare equity: A Midwife-Survivor-led campaign to establish a vulval-clitoral reconstruction service, integrated with trauma and psychosexual therapy, for UK women with FGM/C  
*Speaker: Huda Mohamed (United Kingdom)*

**16:45 Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Physiological—midwife interventions (Including three-minute presentation competition)**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Lai Shan Lisa Chan (Hong Kong)**

- 16:00 **O 190** Improving birth outcomes through midwife-led quality improvement: Mechanisms and impact of a co-created intervention study in Uganda  
*Speaker: Johanna Blomgren (Sweden)*



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

**PF** Partner Funded Session

**PP** Plenary Session

**16:15** **O 191** **Dynamic birth positions: Lessons from a quality improvement project in Kenya**

*Speaker: Joyce Jebet Cheptum (Kenya)*

**16:30** **T 028** **Hospital waterbirth outcomes for low-risk birthing people: A randomized controlled trial**

*3-minute speaker: Emily Malloy (USA)*

**16:33** **Panel discussion**

SPANISH

### Concurrent Session: Spanish—respectful care (including three-minute presentation competition)

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Rosalia Marques (Portugal)**

**16:00** **O 192** **Training in prenatal education with intercultural relevance in Peru**

*Speaker: Elizabeth Yalan (Peru)*

**16:15** **O 193** **Experiential learning with intercultural relevance among students at a public university in Southern Peru**

*Speaker: Jackeline Rosemary Flores Flores (Peru)*

**16:30** **O 194** **Promoting humanized sexual and reproductive health: Strategic actions of the Latin American federation of obstetricians for strengthening regional midwifery**

*Speaker: Carina Leiva (Argentina)*

**16:45** **O 195** **Experiences of women living with physical disabilities regarding pregnancy and motherhood**

*Speaker: Francisca Contreras (Chile)*

**17:00** **T 030** **Representaciones Sociales de la maternidad en las Obstetras Parteras**

*3-minute speaker: Romna Ferreira (Uruguay)*

**17:03** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Humanitarian 1 (including three-minute presentation competition)

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Mollie Fair (Egypt)**

**16:00** **O 196** **Investigation of post-earthquake women’s breastfeeding continuation and factors affecting the breastfeeding process**

*Speaker: Buse Alis (Turkey)*

**16:15** **O 197** **Midwifery models of care in humanitarian settings; Employing displaced midwives in conflict zones in Gaza, an implementation research case study**

*Speaker: Rondi Anderson (USA)*



- 16:30 **O 198** **Post-conflict maternal health in Tigray, Ethiopia: Low service utilization, infrastructure damage, and midwifery workforce gaps**  
*Speaker: Hanna Tesfaye Sisay (Ethiopia)*
- 16:45 **T 031** **Training midwives and first responders to support emergency childbirth and deliver first aid in conflict-affected communities of Ukraine**  
*3-minute speaker: Cheprasova Larysa (Ukraine)*
- 16:48 **T 032** **Midwifery-led mentorship to strengthen maternal and newborn care in the Rohingya humanitarian response: A scalable model for fragile settings**  
*3-minute speaker: Kindness Natang Ngoh (Bangladesh)*
- 16:51 **T 033** **Midwives responding to floods: A community-based initiative for maternal and newborn care in southern Brazil**  
*3-minute speaker: Elisia Da Silva Ramos (Brazil)*
- 16:54 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Policy—strategy (including three-minute presentation competition)**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Anu Kumar (USA)**

- 16:00 **O 199** **Advancing equitable and person-centred perinatal care: Implementing Wales’s perinatal engagement framework**  
*Speaker: Bryany Tweedale (United Kingdom)*
- 16:15 **O 200** **Policy to practice: Does Australia’s national maternity strategy meet the maternity care needs of Australian women?**  
*Speaker: Paula Medway (Australia)*
- 16:30 **O 201** **Reframing the future: What behavioral economics can teach us about funding, valuing, and sustaining one million more midwives**  
*Speaker: Lauren French Hoy (USA)*
- 16:45 **O 202** **Assessing the midwifery education in Nepal with reference to global midwifery education standards and essential competencies**  
*Speaker: Khim Bahadur Khadka (Nepal)*
- 17:00 **T 034** **Quality care in midwifery-led birth centers: Assessing the disconnect between reimbursement and perinatal outcomes**  
*3-minute speaker: Diana Jolles (USA)*

17:03 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**W 31: Workshop: Strengthening midwifery skills in point-of-care ultrasound with hands-on training in scanning, interpretation, and clinical use across perinatal care**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitator: Adriana Rodriguez De Valentini (Canada)*



C Concurrent Session

IW ICM Workshop

PF Partner Funded Session

PP Plenary Session

ENGLISH

**W 32: Workshop: Shaping futures workshops for teenagers with midwives, teachers and psychologists: Empowering young generation through informed sexual and reproductive health, fostering healthier future for all**

16:00-17:30, ROOM 1.08

*Facilitator: Betty Najjuuko (Uganda)*

ENGLISH

**W 33: Workshop: The baby-friendly community for breastfeeding promotion: A participatory approach for health promotion in the supersetting framework**

16:00-17:30, ROOM 3D

*Facilitators: Angela Giusti (Italy), Annachiara Di Nolfi (Italy), Vincenza Di Stefano (Italy), Francesca Zambri (Italy)*

ENGLISH

**W 34: Workshop: Rethinking vaginal breech birth training: Harnessing research and video analysis to master vaginal breech skills**

16:00-17:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitators: Clare Davison (Australia), Betty-Anne Daviss (Canada), Rixa Freeze (France), Kathleen Johnson (Australia), Sara Morris (Australia)*

ENGLISH

**W 35: Workshop: Navigating consent, decision-making and power dynamics through reflective practice**

16:00-17:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitators: Judith Janssen (Spain), Alejandra Oliden Olivares (Spain)*

ENGLISH

**W 36: Workshop: Workshop in newborn resuscitation skills training with intact cord: Simulate, ventilate, collaborate**

16:00-17:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitators: Linda Wike Ljungblad (Norway), Christina Furskog Risa (Norway)*



# Wednesday, 17 June 2026

ENGLISH

## Satellite Symposium: UNFPA breakfast symposium: Midwifery scope of practice study and panel

08:00–08:45, ROOM 3A

This session hosted by UNFPA disseminates the findings from the UNFPA/ Burnett Institute global midwifery scope of practice study. The session also discusses key experiences including enablers and barriers faced by midwives to practise to their full scope for family planning, comprehensive abortion care and vacuum-assisted births. New policy guidance and corresponding policy briefs from UNFPA, the Burnet Institute, and ICM underscore the necessity of empowering midwives to perform vacuum-assisted births (as an essential emergency obstetric care signal function) and deliver full-range reproductive health services including family planning and abortion care where not prohibited by law. The session will focus on how optimizing the midwifery workforce can drastically reduce maternal and neonatal mortality, prevent morbidities, and eliminate unmet needs for contraception.

*Facilitator: Duncan N Shikuku (USA)*

ENGLISH

## Satellite Symposium: WHO breakfast symposium: Self-care competency standards for midwives for health and well-being

08:00–08:45, ROOM 3B

WHO’s global guideline on self-care for health and well-being recommends self-care interventions and actions as important strategies to enable people to have a more engaged role in managing their own health. Self-care competency standards for health workers focus on self-awareness, emotional regulation, physical and mental wellbeing, professional boundaries, and effective workload management to prevent burnout. They also emphasize reflective practice, social support, and help-seeking as essential skills for maintaining resilience and safe, ethical professional practice. This interactive session will actively engage participants to explore their knowledge and practice of self-care.

*Facilitators: Ulrika Rehnstrom Loi (Switzerland), Manjulaa Narasimhan (Switzerland)*

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## Plenary session 3: Midwifery models of care—Improving outcomes shaping the future

09:00–10:30, PAVILION 2

The evidence is clear: midwifery models of care improve outcomes and save health system resources, and yet they are not widely implemented.



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

**PF** Partner Funded Session

**PP** Plenary Session

This session highlights midwives' experiences implementing different midwifery models in their countries, the challenges they face, and how they overcome them. Attendees will explore the various ways midwifery care can be delivered and leave inspired to implement a model suited to their own context.

**Chair: Ulrika Rehnstrom Loi (Switzerland)**

*Keynote speaker: Janhavi Nilekani (India)*

*Panelists: Roa Altaweli (Saudi Arabia), Doreen Kaura (South Africa), Emma Swift (Iceland)*

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## Partner Funded Session: Seed Global partner session: From classroom to clinic—Building midwifery capacity through investing in clinical teachers

11:00–12:30, PAVILION 2

Midwives do not become practice-ready in classrooms alone. They grow into confident providers by learning alongside experienced midwives, in real clinical settings, caring for mothers and newborns. Yet in many contexts, gaps between education, clinical practice, and policy limits the midwifery workforce. This session explores a practical way to close those gaps: strong, well-supported preceptorship. Drawing on Seed Global Health's partnerships in Sierra Leone and Malawi, panelists will share how investing in midwife preceptors strengthens student learning while improving quality of care and the larger policy environment. Participants will leave with field-tested approaches to strengthen midwifery education and care delivery.

AI-TRANSLATED

## Concurrent Session: Respectful maternity care 1

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM I

**Chair: Sanae El Omrani (Morocco)**

**11:00 O 207 Women's experiences, current practices and sustainable strategies to improve respectful maternity care in Rwanda: An appreciative inquiry approach**

*Speaker: Alice Muhayimana (Rwanda)*

**11:15 O 208 Cross-country comparison of respectful maternity care: Insights from Cyprus and Croatia Using the Person-Centered Maternity Care (PCMC) tool**

*Speaker: Irakledia Papairaklediou (Cyprus)*

**11:30 O 209 Respectful maternity care from the lens of women and health care providers in Pakistan: An exploratory study**

*Speaker: Marina Hashwani (Pakistan)*

**11:45 O 210 Association between filing a complaint for suboptimal care during childbirth and disrespectful care**

*Speaker: Karin Henley Listermar (Sweden)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**



## AI-TRANSLATED

**Partner Funded Session: WHO & Gothenburg University partner session: Using the MMOC transition framework to accelerate Midwifery Models of Care**

11:00-12:30, AUDITORIUM II

This session introduces WHO's MMoC Transition Framework Assessment Tool and demonstrates how it supports countries to evaluate readiness and plan the shift to midwifery models of care. WHO's Implementation Guidance on Transitioning to Midwifery Models of Care (MMoC) is explored. Lessons from Member States show how countries are advancing evidence based, person centred care within collaborative teams, including the adoption of partnership-oriented approaches grounded in different interpretations of "centredness"—whether person, woman, or family centred—and what these concepts mean in practice. In exploring these perspectives, the session illustrates how midwifery models of care promote respectful partnerships between women, families and midwives, with the trusting woman-midwife relationship at their core. Delegates from selected Member States will share experiences from their national transition processes, outlining key system enablers, challenges and research-informed lessons learned. The session will demonstrate how WHO's guidance supports policy dialogue, workforce planning, implementation pathways and the strengthening of person centred care.

*Facilitators: Ulrika Rehnstrom Loi (Switzerland), Malin Bogren (Sweden), Allisyn Moran (Switzerland)*

## ENGLISH

**ICM Workshop: Leading from where you stand: Strengthening midwifery through leadership**

11:00-12:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

Strong midwifery leadership drives better health outcomes, a stronger profession, and more resilient health systems. This workshop invites participants to reflect on their leadership impact and explore ICM leadership initiatives, including the draft Leadership Competencies and leadership.

*Facilitators: Jacqueline Dunkley-Bent (Netherlands), Caroline Homer (Australia), Sarah Bar-Zeev (Australia), Boe Calvert (Australia), Sabera Turkmani (Australia), Helene Normann (Norway)*

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Workforce—professional identity**

11:00-12:30, AUDITORIUM VI

**Chair: Alison Weatherstone (Australia)****11:00 O 203 Beyond the normal birth ideal: Internal tensions and professional identity in contemporary midwifery**

*Speaker: Katja Schrøder (Denmark)*



- 11:15 **O 204** **‘Connection and relationships are vital to sustain me’: A grounded theory study exploring the impact of professional connections and relationships on midwives’ wellbeing and sustainability**  
*Speaker: Lynnelle Moran (Australia)*
- 11:30 **O 205** **The role of the midwife in Middle Eastern and North Africa region countries: An evidence and gap map**  
*Speaker: Weam Alhulaibi (United Kingdom)*
- 11:45 **O 206** **Healthy midwives—A cross-sectional study on the health and working conditions of midwives in Germany**  
*Speaker: Caroline Johanna Agricola (Germany)*
- 12:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Breastfeeding—support (including three-minute presentation competition)

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VII

- Chair: Dilek Mamik Aktay (Turkey)**
- 11:00 **O 211** **Breastfeeding Success Predictors Inventory (BSPI): Development and validation of a predictive tool for breastfeeding success in women with pregnancy risk factors**  
*Speaker: Federica Brini (Italy)*
- 11:15 **O 212** **Early breastfeeding in Victoria, Australia: The influence of antenatal and intrapartum care providers and hospital type**  
*Speaker: Sophia Holmlund (Sweden)*
- 11:30 **O 213** **The impact of breastfeeding education provided to family members supporting mothers in the postpartum period on breastfeeding parameters: A randomized controlled trial**  
*Speaker: Cevriye Ocaktan Tetikçok (Turkey)*
- 11:45 **O 214** **Association between breastfeeding and neurodevelopment at 6 years of age in the French PELAGIE birth cohort**  
*Speaker: Marion Monperrus (France)*
- 12:00 **T 035** **Challenges encountered by professional working mothers while practising exclusive breastfeeding**  
*3-minute speaker: Samba Boye (Gambia)*
- 12:03 **Panel discussion**



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Labour and birth—miscellaneous**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

**Chair: Lucia Jenkusky (USA)**

- 11:00 **O 215** **The UK pool study: Patterns of genital trauma and risk factors for severe genital trauma or neonatal morbidity following intrapartum water immersion**  
*Speaker: Julia Sanders (United Kingdom)*
- 11:15 **O 216** **Powers of culture in caesarian birth: A global study**  
*Speaker: Annica Kempe (Sweden)*
- 11:30 **O 217** **Subjectivity as a structuring axis of care: Elective cesarean through the lens of obstetric care models**  
*Speaker: Silvana Regina Rossi Kissula Souza (Brazil)*
- 11:45 **O 218** **Effect of multisensory (snoezelen) environment on birth outcomes, neonatal health parameters and birth memory: A randomized controlled trial**  
*Speaker: Elif Çilesiz (Turkey)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Association strengthening 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Jennifer Vanderlaan (USA)**

- 11:00 **O 224** **A toolbox for midwifery twinning**  
*Speaker: Joy Kemp (Bangladesh)*
- 11:15 **O 225** **United for midwifery: Advancing equity, access, and autonomy through partnership between the American College of Nurse-Midwives and the National Association of Certified Professional Midwives**  
*Speaker: Michelle Munroe (USA)*
- 11:30 **T 036** **We welcome babies: Building community-based midwifery support networks in Thessaly, Greece**  
*3-minute speaker: Elli Kastrika (Greece)*

**11:33 Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Newborn 2

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Shaimaa Ibrahim (Iraq)**

11:00 **O 226** Barriers to stunting prevention among pregnant workers in industrial settings: Case study in Indonesia

*Speaker: Astri Nurdiana (Indonesia)*

11:15 **O 227** Perceptions of midwives and nurses in New South Wales about genomic newborn screening: A focus group study

*Speaker: Nasrin Javid (Australia)*

11:30 **O 228** The WOMB study: Women’s experiences of monitoring baby in Australia

*Speaker: Vanessa Scarf (Australia)*

11:45 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Place of birth—hospital (including three-minute presentation competition)

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Angeliki Bolou (Greece)**

11:00 **O 230** Normal Birth Unit: A midwifery unit pilot projet in Portugal

*Speaker: Rosalia Marques (Portugal)*

11:15 **O 231** Shifting the culture of birth: Promoting physiologic birth across risk levels in a high-risk hospital setting

*Speaker: Jessica Brumley (USA)*

11:30 **T 037** How can we improve care during induced labour? Reflections on experiences from conversations in an induction unit

*3-minute speaker: Anna Wessberg (Sweden)*

11:33 **Panel discussion**

FRENCH

### Concurrent Session: French—SRHR (including three-minute presentation competition)

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Marie-Eve St-Laurent (Canada)**

11:00 **O 233** Promoting equitable access to sexual and reproductive health services for women with physical disabilities in Morocco: Findings from a mixed-methods study

*Speaker: Firdaous Zekaoui (Morocco)*

11:15 **O 234** Strong public health policies to improve access to safe abortion services in the DRC

*Speaker: Nadia Lobo Jive (Democratic Republic of the Congo)*



- 11:30 **O 235** Normalization of menstrual and sexual pain among 18–25 year olds in France: An education issue?  
*Speaker: Carole Zakarian (France)*
- 11:45 **O 236** Transnational research collaboration: Strengthening the research capacity of midwives' associations to drive change in abortion care and maternal health in Democratic Republic of Congo  
*Speaker: Marie Chantal Kankolongo (Democratic Republic of the Congo)*
- 12:00 **T 038** Midwives as a solution to increase the accessibility of comprehensive abortion cares  
*3-minute speaker: Amaili Jetté (Canada)*
- 12:03 **T 051** Strengthening the leadership of young Haitian midwives through ASFH's Young Midwife Leader Programme  
*3-minute speaker: Jeffthanie Mathurin (Haiti)*
- 12:06 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Education—student experience 2**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Rohit Sagoo (United Kingdom)**

- 11:00 **O 237** Enhancing global competence in midwifery education through virtual exchange: A Finland–Benin collaboration  
*Speaker: Sanna-Mari Manninen (Finland)*
- 11:15 **O 238** Studying abroad: The Bremen international program of midwifery in Germany  
*Speaker: Babette Mueller-Rockstroh (Germany)*
- 11:30 **O 239** Improving and sustaining student satisfaction in North Wales—An extraordinary tale  
*Speaker: Sheila Brown (United Kingdom)*

11:45 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Pregnancy—access**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Caterina Montagnoli (Switzerland)**

- 11:00 **O 240** Socioeconomic determinants influencing antenatal care access and health promotion initiatives in Kenya  
*Speaker: Rose Maina (Kenya)*
- 11:15 **O 241** “We truly feel limited”: Health care Providers' perspectives on factors influencing ANC adherence in Rwanda: A qualitative study  
*Speaker: Olive Tengera (Rwanda)*
- 11:30 **O 242** Rural Swedish women's perspectives on midwifery continuity of care and geographic access to labour wards—A qualitative study  
*Speaker: Johanna Sandén (Sweden)*



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**IW** ICM Workshop

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**11:45** **O 243** **Perceptions and experiences of pregnancy and perinatal care among women facing economic disadvantage—A phenomenological study conducted in two Norwegian municipalities**

*Speaker: Hannah Fonkalsrud (Norway)*

**12:00** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**W 37: Workshop: Pelvic floor and diastasis recti: What every midwife needs to know about functional recovery**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitators: Jamilatus Sadiyah (Indonesia), Carolyne Anthony (USA), Audrey D’cotta (Singapore)*

ENGLISH

**W 38: Workshop: Key strategies for implementing a birth centre—From model to practice**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 1.08

*Facilitator: Lucia Rocca-Ihenacho (United Kingdom)*

ENGLISH

**W 39: Workshop: Transforming maternity care: Midwives as leaders in teaching and innovating for respectful, physiological birth**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3D

*Facilitators: Soo Downe (United Kingdom), Debra Pascali-Bonaro (USA), Michelle Therrien (USA), Lilia Khouznoutdinova (Czech Republic)*

ENGLISH

**W 40: Workshop: Diagnosing perineal lacerations after vaginal birth: Building competence and confidence in midwifery students through an interactive blended learning workshop**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitators: Sara Kindberg Adelskov (Denmark), Eva Dimon (Denmark), Lone Halkier Egelie (Denmark)*

ENGLISH

**W 41: Workshop: Enhancing the transfer of respectful maternity care into clinical practice through interprofessional, in-situ simulation**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitators: Sarah Coxon (India), Janhavi Nilekani (India)*



## ENGLISH

**W 42: Workshop: Clinical midwifery skills for management of early pregnancy loss and induced abortion: A patient-centered and trauma informed model of care**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitators: Kylea Liese (USA), Marie Jones (Australia), Ellen Solis (USA)*

## AI-TRANSLATED

**Satellite Symposium: Pfizer lunch symposium: Global insights on RSV prevention in infants after three years of available prevention strategies**

12:50–13:50, AUDITORIUM II

## ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: Maternity Foundation & UNFPA lunch symposium: Scaling quality midwifery care—Implementation lessons from the 10 million safer births initiative phase**

12:50–13:50, ROOM 3A

Poor quality of care, including global shortage of midwives, poor knowledge and skills, and lack of lifelong learning, are key barriers to maternity care. In 2023, Sub Saharan Africa accounted for 70% of all maternal deaths demanding focused interventions to accelerate progress towards the SDGs. UNFPA & Maternity Foundation launched the 10 Million Safer Births Initiative in 2025, aiming to improve access to quality care and contribute to at least 10 Million Safer Births across Sub-Saharan Africa by 2030 through the use of the Safe Delivery+ program. Phase 1 of the project focuses on Ethiopia, Tanzania and Nigeria. The project targets improvements in knowledge, skills and competencies of midwives through the scaling up of the Safe Delivery+ programme—a free, digital, evidence-based, offline-capable tool that covers an extensive array of skills around pregnancy, childbirth and key obstetric emergencies, including perinatal mental health and family planning using animations, videos, action cards and drug lists. In this session, project implementation experiences will be shared along with impact and lessons learned.

*Speakers: Geeta Lal (USA), Franka Cadée (Denmark)*



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**IW** ICM Workshop

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**PP** Plenary Session

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## Concurrent Session: Regulation—framework

14:00–15:30, PAVILION 2

**Chair: Karen Guilliland (New Zealand)**

- 14:00 **O 266** Policy and regulatory barriers and enablers affecting midwives' scope of practice: Findings from a global study  
*Speaker: Sarah Bar-Zeev (Australia)*
- 14:15 **O 267** Towards a distinct ethical identity: Co-developing midwifery ethics for professional advancement  
*Speaker: Kate Buchanan (Australia)*
- 14:30 **O 268** Bridging national and international midwifery regulations: A thematic analysis of Italian key documents, desk review, normative mapping, and policy analysis  
*Speaker: Martina Barbieri (Italy)*
- 14:45 **O 269** 2025 integration of midwives into Mexico's universal health system: A giant step for reproductive justice policy, midwifery and human rights under President Claudia Sheinbaum's leadership  
*Speaker: Nadine Goodman (Mexico)*
- 15:00 **Panel discussion**

AI-TRANSLATED

## Concurrent Session: Pregnancy—complications

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM I

**Chair: Jama Egal (Somalia)**

- 14:00 **O 248** More than woman-centred care: Best practice principles for weight-inclusive maternity care  
*Speaker: Bec Jenkinson (Australia)*
- 14:15 **O 249** Pelvic girdle pain in pregnancy and two years postpartum: Links to emotional health, physical well-being, and trust in healthcare—A longitudinal observational cohort study  
*Speaker: Helen Elden (Sweden)*
- 14:30 **O 250** Probiotic interventions to reduce antenatal GBS colonization and improve perinatal outcomes: Findings of three clinical trials  
*Speaker: Lisa Hanson (USA)*
- 14:45 **Panel discussion**



## AI-TRANSLATED

**Concurrent Session: Mental health  
(Including three-minute presentation competition)**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM II

**Chair: Deborah Pidd (Australia)**

- 14:00 **O 251** The effect of online prenatal education on reducing the perception of traumatic childbirth: A randomized controlled trial  
*Speaker: Güleser Ada (Turkey)*
- 14:15 **O 252** Scaling neurodiversity-informed midwifery: Interventions to reduce overwhelm in ADHD mothers during the postnatal period and early parenthood  
*Speaker: Laura Spence (United Kingdom)*
- 14:30 **O 253** A qualitative descriptive study exploring women's experiences and perspectives of attending a specialist perinatal mental health service for pregnancy and birth related trauma  
*Speaker: Sandra Atkinson (Ireland)*
- 14:45 **T 040** The impact of group antenatal care on depression symptoms throughout the perinatal period in Malawi  
*3-minute speaker: Allissa Desloge (USA)*
- 14:48 **Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Midwife-led centre 2  
(Including three-minute presentation competition)**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

**Chair: Eunice Atsali (Kenya)**

- 14:00 **O 255** Strengthening the midwifery-led birth center movement: Lessons from the American Association of Birth Centers' 40-year journey  
*Speaker: Kate Bauer (USA)*
- 14:15 **O 257** Innovative midwifery care delivery in Lebanon: A community-based hybrid model for equitable access  
*Speaker: Rima Cheaito (Lebanon)*
- 14:30 **T 041** Reclaiming postpartum: A midwifery-led recovery model for addressing maternal morbidity after birth  
*3-minute speaker: Sherlonda McNeil (USA)*
- 14:33 **Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Woman centered 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VI

**Chair: Felicity Copeland (Australia)**

- 14:00 **O 244** “Continuity of care—it’s not rocket science”: Exploring the experiences of women with disabilities accessing maternity care in a tertiary hospital in Melbourne, Australia  
*Speaker: Charlie Benzie (Australia)*
- 14:15 **O 245** The Swedish pregnancy survey—A unique tool for capturing women’s experiences during pregnancy, birth, and the postpartum period  
*Speaker: Maria Bjelke (Sweden)*
- 14:30 **O 246** Counting what counts: Co-designing world-first tools for safe, quality maternity care  
*Speaker: Zoe Bradfield (Australia)*
- 14:45 **O 247** Improving care for pregnant women with disability: A research study identifying tools midwives require to provide inclusive, equitable maternity care in an Australian maternity setting  
*Speaker: Nicole Greig (Australia)*
- 15:00 **T 039** Developing an evidence-based antenatal care guideline for obese pregnant women: A person-centered approach at East Tallinn Central Hospital  
*3-minute speaker: Annely Kärema (Estonia)*

15:03 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Education—competency development 3 (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Mary Sheridan (United Kingdom)**

- 14:00 **O 258** The impact of a leadership and teamwork educational module in shoulder dystocia high-fidelity simulation training; An RCT-study  
*Speaker: Dimitrios Papoutsis (Greece)*
- 14:15 **O 259** Creating a culture of translational simulation for quality maternal and newborn care in hospitals in Nepal  
*Speaker: Suchana Thapa (Nepal)*
- 14:30 **O 260** Strengthening midwifery practice through EmONC training in Timor-Leste  
*Speaker: Triana Corte-Real De Oliveira (Timor-Leste)*



14:45 **O 261** Better support, better care: Coaching supervision as a tool for midwifery competency improvement to ensure quality health services

Speaker: Innana Mardhatillah (Indonesia)

15:00 **T 042** Ready to care for pregnant women with breech presentation?—Results from an online survey for midwives and midwifery students in Germany, Austria and Switzerland

3-minute speaker: Berit Friedrichsohn (Germany)

15:03 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Interprofessional—guidelines

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

Chair: TBC

14:00 **O 262** Experience in introducing evidence-based practice into existing practice in a public maternity hospital in Hong Kong

Speaker: Lai Shan Lisa Chan (Hong Kong)

14:15 **O 263** Maternity referral guidelines improve care and collaboration in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand

Speaker: Amanda Carter (Australia)

14:30 **O 264** Enhancing safety and equity in early postpartum discharge: A multidisciplinary French initiative to guide global midwifery practices

Speaker: Laurent Gaucher (Switzerland)

14:45 **O 265** Smooth Transitions: A quality improvement model for supporting community midwives through care transitions

Speaker: Melissa Denmark (USA)

15:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Climate change 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3A

Chair: Maria Tzeli (Greece)

14:00 **O 270** Visualizing the role of midwives in planetary health: A proposed graphic model

Speaker: Monica Streater (USA)

14:15 **O 271** Climate-sensitive midwifery—A practical textbook from a planetary health perspective

Speaker: Sonja Wangler (Germany)

14:30 **O 272** Studying the biological pathways of heat exposure in pregnant women, newborns, and young children

Speaker: Aikaterini Sousamli (Greece)



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

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**PP** Plenary Session

**14:45** **O 273** The effect of climate change anxiety on fear of childbearing in women  
*Speaker: Ayşe Çataloluk (Turkey)*

**15:00** **T 043** Too hot to carry: How extreme heat harms pregnancy in Santiago, Chile  
*3-minute speaker: Macarena Martínez (Chile)*

**15:03** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Digital technology/AI 2

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Sarah Melov (Australia)**

**14:00** **O 274** Recommendations from a NZ study which explored how communication technology used between pregnant women/people and midwives contributed towards sustainable quality maternal and newborn care  
*Speaker: Karen Wakelin (New Zealand)*

**14:15** **O 275** Listening to women, empowering midwives: Overcoming implementation barriers to a digital clinical decision support innovation within the complex maternity health care system  
*Speaker: Valerie Slavin (Australia)*

**14:30** **O 276** Towards 2030: exploring the impact of AI on teaching and learning in midwifery education  
*Speaker: Edith Hillan (Canada)*

**14:45** **O 277** Innovative asynchronous multi-stage video reflections: Enhancing authenticity and critical thinking in midwifery education  
*Speaker: Danielle Gleeson (Australia)*

**15:00** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Place of birth—homebirth (including three-minute presentation competition)

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Pernilla Stenbäck (Finland)**

**14:00** **O 278** Homebirth outcomes and postnatal experiences in Canterbury, New Zealand: A mixed methods study  
*Speaker: Violet Clapham (New Zealand)*

**14:15** **O 279** Outcomes associated with planned place of birth among midwife and physician attended low-risk pregnancies in Ontario, Canada (2012–2021): A population-based propensity score weighted cohort study  
*Speaker: Liz Darling (Canada)*

**14:30** **O 280** Work together, train together: Collaboratively supporting safe homebirth  
*Speaker: Camella Main (United Kingdom)*



14:45 **T 044** Lived experiences of freebirth in Southwestern Ontario, Canada

3-minute speaker: Sarah Redfearn (Canada)

14:48 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Marginalized—maternal separation  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3D

**Chair: Irina Mateescu (Romania)**

14:00 **O 281** The lost mothers project: Midwifery, maternal separation, and the global impact of pregnancy in prison

Speaker: Laura Abbott (United Kingdom)

14:15 **O 282** Does incarceration change the right to make healthcare decisions? History, competency and custody

Speaker: Donna Jackson-Köhlin (USA)

14:30 **T 045** Involvement from children's social care during the perinatal period and infant separation: Insights from healthcare records and unheard voices

3-minute speaker: Kaat De Backer (United Kingdom)

14:33 **Panel discussion**

SPANISH

**Concurrent Session: Spanish—other  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Naomi Sorkin (Paraguay)**

14:00 **O 283** Midwives' leadership in intimate partner violence research: Training, trajectories, and strengthening health and intersectoral responses in Chile and Latin America

Speaker: Maribel Alejandra Mella Guzmán (Chile)

14:15 **O 284** Adolescent voices in prenatal care: Perceptions of professional treatment in primary health care in Uruguay

Speaker: Andrea Akar (Uruguay)

14:30 **O 285** From bonding to transformation: Implementing an early attachment support model led by midwives in Uruguay

Speaker: María Noel Barceló Paz (Uruguay)

14:45 **O 286** Redefining nutritional assessment in adolescent pregnant women: A WHO-based standard proposal to enhance prenatal monitoring and minimize perinatal risks

Speaker: Marcela Araya B (Chile)

15:00 **T 046** Growing life in clean air: A new obstetric and perinatal emergency in the climate crisis

3-minute speaker: María Begoña Carroza Escobar (Chile)



**15:03 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Education faculty development 2**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Vikentia Harizopoulou (Greece)**

**14:00 O 287** Evaluating midwifery students in a clinical setting. Full-scale simulation—A change from knowledge-based to competence-based evaluation

*Speaker: Pernille Jordt Duedahl (Denmark)*

**14:15 O 288** A supportive supervision pilot project in midwifery education in Somalia and Somaliland

*Speaker: Cathryn Ellis (Canada)*

**14:30 O 289** Midwifery Education and Practice Centers of Excellence (MEPCEP): An innovation to improve midwifery education and practice to improve maternal and newborn health outcomes in Ghana

*Speaker: Innes Agbenu (Ghana)*

**14:45 O 290** Calling all midwifery preceptors: How to go from good to great for a lasting impact. Preceptors are the key to one million more midwives

*Speaker: Lucia Jenkusky (USA)*

**15:00 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Pregnancy—preparation**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Shahla Bakhtiari (United Kingdom)**

**14:00 O 292** Effectiveness of a mindfulness-based intervention for fear of childbirth among women planned for normal delivery: A pilot randomised controlled trial

*Speaker: Ruohan Wang (Hong Kong)*

**14:15 O 293** Can Zen meditation involving expectant mothers, families, and midwives restore the essence of natural childbirth?

*Speaker: Itsuko Shirotani (Hamasaki) (Japan)*

**14:30 O 414** Implementation of midwife-led continuity of care model in Ethiopia

*Speaker: Solomon Beshah (Netherlands)*

**14:45 Panel discussion**



## SPANISH

**W 43: Workshop: Eradicating obstetric violence by promoting respectful midwifery models: A 90-minute role-play workshop emerging from the EU-funded IPOV project ([respectfulcare.eu](http://respectfulcare.eu))**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitators: Ema Cristina Schuler Benkendorf (Argentina), Isabel Maria Fonseca Ferreira (Portugal), María Carolina Farías Rodríguez (Uruguay), Anna Maria Rossetti (Italy)*

## ENGLISH

**W 44: Workshop: Working towards midwifery models of care: Equipping midwives with skills for improved care and outcomes in low-resource settings**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 1.08

*Facilitators: Rachel Zaslow (USA)*

## ENGLISH

**W 45: Workshop: Interactive workshop: Suturing first-degree lacerations after vaginal birth using a blended learning approach**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitators: Eva Dimon (Denmark), Lone Halkier Egelie (Denmark), Sara Kindberg Adelskov (Denmark)*

## ENGLISH

**W 46: Workshop: Breastfeeding problems: Looking beyond the surface—What can the nipple and the mother–baby dyad tell us?**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitator: Joke Muyldermans (Belgium)*

## ENGLISH

**W 47: Workshop: Demonstration of non-pneumatic anti-shock garments: A low-tech, cost-effective intervention for postpartum hemorrhage in low-resource settings**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitators: Ian Penwell (USA), Kristen Benoit (USA), Matthew Benoit, Rose Penwell (USA)*



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

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**ENGLISH**

**Practice Session: GE Healthcare practice session: Simple antenatal and intrapartum assessment with POC ultrasound**

15:30–16:00, SALA 0.03

**FRENCH**

**Practice Session: Ferring practice session: Practical training session on postpartum haemorrhage prevention and early detection (French)**

15:30–16:00, SALA 0.04

*Speakers: Josiane Brou Houe (Côte d'Ivoire), Affouet Rachel Kouadio (Côte d'Ivoire), Abra Pearl (India)*

**AI-TRANSLATED**

**Concurrent Session: Continuity of care—outcomes 1**

16:00–17:30, PAVILION 2

**Chair: Justine Le Lez (France)**

**16:00 O 310** Exploring community-based midwifery continuity of care for women in an ethnically diverse and deprived area of London using an intersectional approach

*Speaker: Zahra Khan (Qatar)*

**16:15 O 311** Measuring maternal satisfaction with continuity models of midwifery care

*Speaker: Noelyn Perriman (Australia)*

**16:30 O 312** Midwifery continuity of care in a crisis: How New Zealand's model of maternity care safely supported a surge in home births during the Covid-19 lockdown

*Speaker: Claire MacDonald (New Zealand)*

**16:45 O 313** Closing the inequality gap: Impact of midwife continuity of care on stillbirth rate and first feed for women in England

*Speaker: Jane Sandall (United Kingdom)*

**17:00 Panel discussion**

**AI-TRANSLATED**

**Concurrent Session: Workforce—sustainability 2 (including three-minute presentation competition)**

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM I

**Chair: Alison Weatherstone (Australia)**

**16:00 O 298** Midwifery practice review (MPR): A transformational program to reflect, reconnect, renew, and reimagine midwifery practice

*Speaker: Aya Emery (Australia)*



**16:15** **O 299** **Midwife burnout: A call for sustainable care rooted in the midwifery model**

*Speaker: Sunday Smith (USA)*

**16:30** **O 300** **Are we utilizing midwives effectively? Experience from government and private healthcare facilities in Bangladesh**

*Speaker: Sharmina Rahman (Bangladesh)*

**16:45** **O 301** **Circular midwifery practice (CMP): A concept of sustainable midwifery care**

*Speaker: Franziska Dresen (Germany)*

**17:00** **T 047** **Where work meets balance: The 'Midmatch' app as a regional innovation for sustainable midwifery**

*3-minute speaker: Karika Van Hemert (Netherlands)*

**17:03** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## ICM Workshop: The reality of transitioning to midwife models of care

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

This workshop explores the stark reality of implementing midwife models of care as a best-practice approach, examining its benefits, implementation requirements, and sustainability. Through focused discussion, participants will analyse key transitions, barriers, and enablers to establishing midwifery models across diverse healthcare settings.

*Facilitators: Solomon Beshah (Netherlands), Facilitator: Ulrika Rehnstrom Loi (Switzerland), Kate Stringer (Netherlands)*

*Panelists: Berit Mortensen (Norway), Zoe Bradfield (Australia), Hinsermu Bayu Abdi (Ethiopia), Susanne Åhlund (Sweden)*

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Workforce—MMOC

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM VI

**Chair: Sondre Alberto Schneck (Brazil)**

**16:00** **O 294** **Synthesising existing evidence of the implementation of Midwifery Continuity of Carer (MCoC) model: A scoping review of the international literature**

*Speaker: Patience Gyampek (United Kingdom)*

**16:15** **O 295** **Meeting the challenge: Caseload midwifery as a workforce strategy in rural South Australia**

*Speaker: Lois McKellar (Australia)*

**16:30** **O 296** **The long road to pay equity: Ontario midwives' historic win at the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario and lessons learned through the remedial implementation process**

*Speaker: Elizabeth Brandeis (Canada)*



C Concurrent Session

IW ICM Workshop

PF Partner Funded Session

PP Plenary Session

**16:45** **O 297** In pursuit of sustainable and fair working conditions for midwives practising in continuity of care models: Lessons from New Zealand and their international applicability

Speaker: Alison Eddy (New Zealand)

**17:00** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Education—clinical skills (+ Three-minute presentation competition)

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Rohit Sagoo (United Kingdom)**

**16:00** **O 302** Comparison of the effects of video-selfie and demonstration methods in the development of peripheral intravenous catheterization skill

Speaker: Emine Demir (Turkey)

**16:15** **O 303** Midwifery students' experiences of group obstetric emergency objective structured clinical examination: A qualitative study

Speaker: Magdalena Ohaja (Ireland)

**16:30** **O 304** The effect of video-based training on midwives' neonatal resuscitation knowledge: A single-group pretest-posttest study

Speaker: Ayşe Şenoğlu (Turkey)

**16:45** **O 305** Experiences of student midwives in clinical learning environments at Maldives National University campuses

Speaker: Salma Hassan (Maldives)

**17:00** **T 048** Safe vacuum-assisted births performed by midwives in rural Tanzania

3-minute speaker: Magnus Hagland (Norway)

**17:03** **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Pregnancy loss

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

**Chair: Betty Najjuuko (Uganda)**

**16:00** **O 306** Holding space after loss: Co-produced antenatal group

Speaker: Laura Bridle (United Kingdom)

**16:15** **O 307** Invisible loss: Exploring the experiences and support needs of women and partners after early pregnancy loss to improve midwifery care in Flanders

Speaker: Maëlle De Coninck (Belgium)

**16:30** **O 309** 'It's just pure gold': Women's and midwives' perspectives of midwifery continuity of care supporting pregnancies after perinatal loss

Speaker: Kelly Robinson (Australia)

**16:45** **Panel discussion**



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Marginalized—refugees 1**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Inderjeet Kaur (India)**

16:00 **O 314** “My pregnancy was very difficult because I was alone all the time and undocumented”: Reproductive loneliness among undocumented mothers in western and central Switzerland

Speaker: Caterina Montagnoli (Switzerland)

16:15 **O 315** Exploring women refugees’ and asylum seekers’ access to maternity services in Northern Ireland: A multi-phase qualitative study

Speaker: Nicole Winters (United Kingdom)

16:30 **Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Approaches to care**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Pernilla Stenbäck (Finland)**

16:00 **O 317** Adapting TeamBirth to urban Nepal: A service and strategic design study on respectful maternity care

Speaker: Abagael Slattery (USA)

16:15 **O 318** Scaling up midwifery-led evidence-based Group Antenatal Care in Malawi

Speaker: Esnath Mwayiwawo Kapito (Malawi)

16:30 **O 319** Group ante- And postnatal care: Implementation lessons from the GC\_1000 project

Speaker: Christine McCourt (United Kingdom)

16:45 **O 320** The pioneer comprehensive community midwifery service model in Taiwan

Speaker: Su-Chen Kuo (Taiwan (Province of China))

17:00 **Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: MLBC—implementation**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Angeliki Bolou (Greece)**

16:00 **O 321** Exploring global interest in midwifery-led birth centers: A preliminary inquiry and next steps

Speaker: Judith Butler (USA)



C Concurrent Session

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PF Partner Funded Session

PP Plenary Session

- 16:15 **O 322** **Transforming birth care: Impact and implementation of Spain's first midwifery-led unit within the National Health System—A mixed-methods study**  
*Speaker: Roser Palau Costafreda (Spain)*
- 16:30 **O 323** **Obstetric violence in Brazilian freestanding birth centres pathway of care**  
*Speaker: Isabela Brescansim Lopes (Brazil)*
- 16:45 **O 411** **Shaping perceptions and building strategic alignment for the integration of the midwifery cadre into public health systems in India**  
*Speaker: Abhilasha Donald (India)*
- 17:00 **Panel discussion**

SPANISH

### Concurrent Session: Spanish—professional development (including three-minute presentation competition)

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Alicia Carrasco Parra (Chile)**

- 16:00 **O 324** **From knowledge to impact: Strengthening clinical reasoning in neonatal midwifery through competency-based education**  
*Speaker: Diego Rodríguez Navarro (Chile)*
- 16:15 **O 325** **Integrating environmental health into midwifery curricula to promote sustainable development: The environmental quality assessment (EQI) toolkit in Spanish**  
*Speaker: María Paz Ross Arias (Chile)*
- 16:30 **O 326** **From judgement to impact: A mixed-methods study on midwives' clinical reasoning in a high-complexity Chilean clinic**  
*Speaker: Romina Andrea Becerra Mejías (Chile)*
- 16:45 **O 327** **Training leaders in maternal-perinatal health: A management and leadership specialisation for final-year obstetrics and puericulture students**  
*Speaker: Camila Rojas (Chile)*
- 17:00 **T 049** **Educational intervention to promote self-care in pregnant women through holistic pedagogy**  
*3-minute speaker: Laura Rocha Mercado (Mexico)*
- 17:03 **Panel discussion**



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Education—postgraduate  
(including three-minute presentation competition)**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Frances Ganges (USA)****16:00 O 328** You can't be what you can't see: Experiences of international doctoral journeys for midwives*Speaker: Liz McNeill (Australia)***16:15 O 329** Sharing experience in preparation for implementation of Mongolia's first training program for newly graduated midwives at National Center for Maternal and Child Health of Mongolia*Speaker: Bolorkhorloo Byambachuluun (Mongolia)***16:30 O 330** Sharing insights on the review and revamp of the MSc programme in midwifery care*Speaker: Chit Ying Lai (Hong Kong)***16:45 O 331** Leveraging the safe delivery app to support healthcare professionals in Papua New Guinea*Speaker: Delly Babona (Australia)***17:00 T 050** Strengthening midwifery science in Portugal: The urgent need to ground postgraduate research in midwifery practice theories*3-minute speaker: Sara Paz (Portugal)***17:03 Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Pregnancy—antenatal**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Yasmin Casmod (South Africa)****16:00 O 332** Maintaining midwifery care and supporting healthy outcomes for individuals living in large bodies: The latest evidence on obesity in pregnancy and birth*Speaker: Cecilia Jevitt (Canada)***16:15 O 333** "Being Born at HGO": A Project for Health Literacy and Empowerment in Obstetric Nursing Care*Speaker: Alexandra Raposo (Portugal)***16:30 O 334** Evaluation of the online asthma in pregnancy toolkit*Speaker: Karen Mclaughlin (Australia)***16:45 Panel discussion**



C Concurrent Session

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ENGLISH

**W 48: Workshop: Simulating rural realities: Midwifery primary care emergency preparedness training for rural and remote resource-limited settings**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitator: Kristen Graham (Australia)*

ENGLISH

**W 49: Workshop: Midwives' training for supporting becoming and new mothers in the transition to motherhood in vulnerable life-situations: Developing therapeutic relationships and collaborative care**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 1.08

*Facilitators: Silje Espejord (Norway), Synnøve Eidsvik Folkvord (Norway), Janne Gabrielle Hunsbeth (Norway)*

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**W 50: Workshop: Strengthening clinical skills for midwife educators: A hands-on workshop**

16:00–17:30, AUDITORIUM II

*Facilitator: Sarah Bar-Zeev (Australia)*

ENGLISH

**W 51: Workshop: Obstetric triage: A skills workshop to enhance midwifery response to unscheduled presentations by women**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3D

*Facilitator: Wendy Pollock (Australia)*

ENGLISH

**W 52: Workshop: Equipping midwifery educators and students to protect breastfeeding in emergencies: A rights-based, evidence-informed approach to lactation support**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitators: Qorinah Estiningtyas Sakilah Adnani (Indonesia), Jodine Chase (Canada), Caroline Homer (Australia), Maeve Anne O'Connell (United Arab Emirates)*



## ENGLISH

**W 53: Workshop: Promoting interdisciplinary simulation of perinatal emergencies using the Step Up Together model to improve the process of community birth transfers**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitators: Amy Romano (USA), Debra Bingham (USA), Alexa Dougherty (USA), Jennifer Johnson (USA)*

## ENGLISH

**W 54: Workshop: Pelvic wisdom: Prenatal yoga with space formula for biomechanically-informed birth rooted in movement, cultural, and wisdom of Indonesian traditions**

16:00–17:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitators: Yesie Aprillia (Indonesia), Farah Isnaeni (Indonesia), Lesty Noeranisa (Indonesia), Eka Rosmalinda (Indonesia), Novayanti Simbolon (Indonesia), Desi Trisiani (Indonesia), Putu Sri Widi Antari (Indonesia), Erie Tiawaningrum (Indonesia)*

## ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: WHO symposium: Values and attitudes in sexual and reproductive health: Ensuring a rights-based approach**

17:30–18:30, ROOM 3A

Health workers often bring their own biases, implicit or explicit, that are shaped by norms in the communities and settings they live in, affecting their attitudes and practices when interacting with their clients. This is particularly important in regards to sensitive sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) topics, where gendered norms and cultural beliefs can negatively influence quality of care, adherence to evidence based recommendations and even violate clients' rights. This session will introduce concepts of values clarification and attitude transformation and demonstrate models for implementing them around several SRH issues facing women globally, namely comprehensive abortion care, female genital mutilation, violence against women, and contraceptive use.

*Speakers: Ulrika Rehnstrom Loi (Switzerland), Christina Pallitto (Switzerland)*



## ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: MSD for Mothers symposium:  
Optimizing maternal health outcomes—Real-world learnings  
introducing innovations for the prevention and treatment  
of postpartum haemorrhage**

17:30–18:30, ROOM 3B

Postpartum haemorrhage (PPH) remains the leading direct cause of maternal mortality globally, primarily affecting low- and middle-income countries. FIGO/ICM/WHO issued updated PPH guidelines in 2025, including the use of heat-stable carbetocin (HSC) for prevention, objective measurement of blood loss and tranexamic acid (TXA) as part of the E-MOTIVE treatment bundle. Introducing and scaling these innovations are key to the global effort to improve PPH-related maternal health outcomes and are aligned with the PPH Roadmap (2023–2030). Midwives are vital to the translation and the implementation of the updated PPH guidelines and the PPH Roadmap, including training on and introducing these PPH innovations. This event is designed to stimulate midwife-to-midwife exchange, spotlighting country-led, real-world success and challenge in introducing and scaling new PPH innovations, showcasing how midwives are driving change and shaping the policy and advocacy pathways needed to institutionalize them. Audience/Panelist interaction encouraged. Light refreshments will be provided after the session.

*Facilitators: Jeffrey Jacobs (USA), Catharine Taylor (USA)*

*Panelists: Affouet Rachel Kouadio (Côte d'Ivoire), Juliana Afia Amankwah (Ghana), Eunice Atsali (Kenya), Hadijah Nakatudde (Uganda)*

**Poster session 3 (Group B)**

17:30–18:30, PAVILION 4



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## Plenary session 4: Midwives—The original innovators across time and cultures

09:00–10:30, PAVILION 2

Across time and cultures, midwives have always developed and tested ideas that improve health outcomes, adapt to community needs and emergencies, challenge healthcare structures, and drive policy improvements—all while keeping women at the centre. This session highlights innovations led by midwives, how they were developed and implemented, and the impact on communities, inspiring attendees to recognise and apply innovation in their own practice.

**Chair: Amy Weaver (USA)**

*Keynote speakers: Hege Ersdal (Norway), Catharina Doria (Brazil)*

*Panelists: Maika Daoud Elias (Israel), Jennifer A-Boateng (USA), Anna Cecilia Frellsen (Denmark)*

ENGLISH

## Practice Session: Ferring practice session: Practical training session on postpartum haemorrhage prevention and early detection (English)

10:30–11:00, SALA 0.04

*Speakers: Abra Pearl (India), Juliana Afia Amankwah (Ghana), Vishal Shah (India)*

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## Concurrent Session: Continuity of care—implementation 3

11:00–12:30, PAVILION 2

**Chair: Noelyn Perriman (Australia)**

**11:00** **O 346** Reimagining continuity of midwifery care in Indonesia through twinning with Canada

*Speaker: Dwi Izzati Budiono (Indonesia)*

**11:15** **O 349** Bridging the gap: The role of skilled midwifery in reducing maternal and neonatal mortality in Lesotho

*Speaker: Makeabetsoe Mosito (Lesotho)*

**11:30** **Panel discussion**



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## Concurrent Session: Midwife-led centre 1

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM I

**Chair: Justine Le Lez (France)**

**11:00 O 335 Integrating the midwifery model of care into clinical practice at Dhulikhel Hospital, Kathmandu University Hospital**

*Speaker: Binu Thapa (Nepal)*

**11:15 O 336 Planned Birth in Brazilian Birth Centres: Preliminary findings**

*Speaker: Nathalie Leister (Brazil)*

**11:30 O 337 Midwife-led care services in Aghanistan: Navigating barriers and facilitators in conflict zones**

*Speaker: Sabera Turkmani (Australia)*

**11:45 O 338 The experience of midwifery centre accreditation: Creating systems for sustainable quality and enabling spaces for midwifery care**

*Speaker: Summer Aronson (United Kingdom)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**

## Poster session 4 (Group B)

12:30–14:00, PAVILION 4

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## Partner Funded Session: Sydani Group & NSI partner session: Private midwifery practice: Barriers, enablers, and pathways to sustainable operations

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM II

Every year, approximately 287,000 women die from preventable causes related to pregnancy and childbirth (WHO, 2023), the vast majority in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). Yet even as maternal mortality remains unacceptably high, a critical part of the solution is hiding in plain sight. Across LMICs, private midwife-led enterprises (PMLEs) are quietly absorbing demand for maternal and newborn care in communities where public facilities are overburdened, understaffed, or simply out of reach. Through the Gates Foundation-funded multi-country study of PMLEs across Nigeria, Kenya, Uganda, Senegal, and Bangladesh, Sydani and NSI are generating evidence on how PMLEs operate across macro (policy/governance), meso/micro (service delivery/quality), and operational (business viability) levels. This session will bring these realities into focus, presenting evidence on what makes PMLEs work, what holds them back, and what it would take to unlock their potential at scale.

*Speakers: Sidney Sampson (Nigeria), Jennifer A-Boateng (USA), Hilda Ebinim (Nigeria), Caroline Jehu-Appiah (Nigeria)*



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**Concurrent Session: Complications—GDM 2**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM II

**Chair: Sara Do Vale (Portugal)**

- 11:00 **O 219** **Effect of home midwifery care given to pregnant women diagnosed with gestational diabetes on their attitudes and self-care**  
*Speaker: Onat Cemile (Turkey)*
- 11:15 **O 220** **Pushed to the limit, driven by love: A qualitative study of women's experiences of pregnancy with type 2 diabetes mellitus**  
*Speaker: Karolina Linden (Sweden)*
- 11:30 **O 221** **Midwifery-led innovation in predicting gestational diabetes mellitus: The role of biomarkers and perinatal risk profiling**  
*Speaker: Eleftheria Lazarou (Cyprus)*
- 11:45 **O 222** **The impact of neonatal intensive care admission at term following gestational diabetes mellitus: A neglected area**  
*Speaker: Laura Stedman (United Kingdom)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Partner Funded Session: Jhpiego partner session: Scaling innovation—How countries transform midwifery training through Helping Mothers Survive: A hands-on experience with global implementation success stories**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

The global shortage of one million midwives demands innovative approaches to build workforce capacity. This interactive session showcases how countries are revolutionizing midwifery training through Helping Mothers Survive (HMS), a suite of simulation-based learning modules. For over a decade, Jhpiego has provided direct technical assistance to introduce or scale HMS in 16 countries. This session highlights country lessons learned and provides participants with hands-on skills practice. HMS addresses critical gaps in maternal care competencies through hands-on, simulation-based, low-dose, high-frequency training delivered at job sites.  
*Facilitator: Rosemary Njogu (Kenya)*

## ENGLISH

**W 55: Workshop: Practical skills for midwives to secure grant funding**

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VI

*Facilitators: Frances Ganges (USA),  
Joyce Elaine Thompson (USA), Lisa Kane Low (USA)*



ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Complications—hypertension

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Sarah Melov (Australia)**

- 11:00 **O 339** The PREMOM II study: What is the added value of remote monitoring in prenatal follow-up for women at risk of hypertensive disorders of pregnancy?

*Speaker: Dorien Lanssens (Belgium)*

- 11:15 **O 340** “No one’s explained that this is going to happen to me”: Enhancing health literacy and addressing women’s knowledge gaps on long-term health after hypertensive pregnancy

*Speaker: Heike Roth (Australia)*

- 11:30 **O 341** Psychosocial burden of preeclampsia and eclampsia on women and their families in a Tertiary Hospital in Ghana

*Speaker: Ekpoanwan Esienumoh (Nigeria)*

11:45 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: SRHR—General

11:00–12:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

**Chair: Tekla Shiindi-Mbidi (Namibia)**

- 11:00 **O 342** The role and future development of midwifery in the care of women with urogenital disorders in Estonia

*Speaker: Kristina Nikandrova (Estonia)*

- 11:15 **O 345** Midwife’s experiences from an inter- And intraprofessional research project: Advancing sexual and reproductive health in overweight and obesity (SRHOO)

*Speaker: Nina Reitis (Germany)*

11:30 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Climate change 3

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Maura Daly (Netherlands)**

- 11:00 **O 350** Emergency preparedness and response systems in Japan

*Speaker: Hanae Miyawaki (Japan)*

- 11:15 **O 351** Preventing one million more plastics: Born Green Generation

*Speaker: Josephine Frame (United Kingdom)*

11:30 **Panel discussion**



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Marginalized—refugees 2**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Elaine Scudder (USA)**

- 11:00 **O 353** **Determination of health problems and care needs experienced by refugee women in the postpartum period: A qualitative study**  
*Speaker: Aleyna Bulut (Turkey)*
- 11:15 **O 354** **Unseen, unsafe, undocumented: Addressing health inequities and safeguarding failures for pregnant women with an undocumented status, experiencing domestic abuse**  
*Speaker: Ruth Hammond (United Kingdom)*
- 11:30 **O 355** **Empowering refugee women through natural family planning: A train-the-trainer fertility awareness strategy to improve reproductive health among South Sudanese refugees in Northern Uganda**  
*Speaker: Renee Sokolowski (USA)*
- 11:45 **O 343** **Immigrant men's perceptions and experiences of accompanying their partner for contraceptive counselling provided by midwives in Sweden**  
*Speaker: Mia Kolak (Sweden)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Place of birth—rural**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Sehloho Ntlhane (Lesotho)**

- 11:00 **O 356** **Beyond the birth: Co-training students and professionals to tackle maternal health at the roots through interprofessional shared-learning spaces**  
*Speaker: Tammy Thomas (USA)*
- 11:15 **O 357** **Indigenous Peoples' responses to evacuation for birth in Ontario: Conceptualizing risk through an Indigenous midwifery-led approach**  
*Speaker: Sarah Durant (Canada)*
- 11:30 **O 358** **Midwives critical in providing maternity care to rural women locally in Australia**  
*Speaker: Linda Jones (Australia)*
- 11:45 **O 359** **Co-creating rural maternity solutions in Australia: A national framework for continuity, cultural safety, and community-led care**  
*Speaker: Alison Weatherstone (Australia)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Policy—professionalism**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Jennifer Vanderlaan (USA)**

11:00 **O 360** Supporting personalised care for all women

*Speaker: Jacqui Williams (United Kingdom)*

11:15 **O 361** Co-developing a national strategy for respectful maternity care (RMC):  
The RESPECT project in Cyprus

*Speaker: Nicos Middleton (Cyprus)*

11:30 **O 362** Midwifery in Europe: Barriers and enablers to implementing  
ICM standards

*Speaker: Michaela Michel-Schuldt (Germany)*

11:45 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Education—digital/simulation**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Mary Sheridan (United Kingdom)**

11:00 **O 364** Strengthening midwifery education on the journey to one million more:  
Exploring perceptions of digital learning among Nigerian midwifery  
educators, preceptors and students

*Speaker: Charles Ameh (United Kingdom)*

11:15 **O 365** Set the Scene: Midwifery Edition—Designing and piloting a digital  
scenario generator to enhance midwifery education

*Speaker: Chloe Natasha Richards (Jersey)*

11:30 **O 366** In the Dock™: Interprofessional immersive learning for student  
midwives and paramedics

*Speaker: Karen Khan (United Kingdom)*

11:45 **O 367** Evaluating a digital peer-to-peer learning solution aiming to prepare  
midwifery students for clinical practice

*Speaker: Malin Bogren (Sweden)*

12:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Postpartum—perineal**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Sally Pairman (New Zealand)**

11:00 **O 368** Left-handedness in midwifery teaching and practice—Development  
of suture learning materials for left-handed midwives

*Speaker: Peggy Seehafer (Germany)*



- 11:15 **O 369** **Role of midwifery competencies for teaching suturing, and assessment and care of birth-related tissue trauma**  
*Speaker: Nell Tharpe (USA)*
- 11:30 **O 370** **Experience, impact and expectations: a multi-centric longitudinal study of postpartum perineal pain**  
*Speaker: Caroline Matteo (France)*
- 11:45 **O 371** **Perineal Lacerations and Healing: The benefits for women of a midwife-led postnatal screening programme in hospitals and at home**  
*Speaker: Sara Kindberg Adelskov (Denmark)*

**12:00 Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**W 56: Workshop: The papaya workshop: Hands-on training in manual uterine aspiration for early pregnancy loss and abortion**

11:00-12:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitators: Laura Weil (USA), Jutta Wohlrab (Germany)*

ENGLISH

**W 57: Workshop: Strengthening midwives' clinical skills and knowledge in breastfeeding and lactation support**

11:00-12:30, ROOM 1.08

*Facilitators: Marina Hashwani (Pakistan), Sadia Ali (Pakistan), Rafat Jan (Pakistan), Kiran Mubeen (Pakistan)*

ENGLISH

**W 58: Workshop: Supporting hypnobirthing mothers in pregnancy, labor and birth**

11:00-12:30, ROOM 3D

*Facilitators: Edythe Mangindin (Iceland), Embla Ýr Guðmundsdóttir (Iceland)*

ENGLISH

**W 59: Workshop: Supporting student midwife confidence to facilitate physiologic birth: A workshop for clinical and academic faculty**

11:00-12:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitators: Juliet Wood (United Kingdom), Barbara Baranowska (Poland), Clare Davison (Australia)*



ENGLISH

**W 60: Workshop: The portal: Compassionate inquiry in the perinatal period. Reclaiming birth through embodied awareness, presence and safety**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitator: Laura Latina (Canada)*

ENGLISH

**W 61: Workshop: Supporting conversations about fetal movements: Building confidence and clarity in midwifery practice**

11:00–12:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitator: Tomasina Stacey (United Kingdom)*

ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: UNFPA APRO lunch symposium: Midwives as agents of change: The crucial role of midwives in the prevention of FGM in Asia**

12:50–13:50, ROOM 3A

Jointly organized by UNFPA, WHO, ICM and FIGO. Midwives are uniquely positioned as trusted community members to address the persistence of FGM/C. In many contexts, particularly within Asia, the practice is increasingly becoming medicalized due to complex social norms rather than economic incentives. This session aims to empower midwives to transition from clinical providers to active advocates for change. Session Objectives—Share a call for action for midwives to become agents of change—Disseminate technical job aids and resources developed in collaboration with WHO and implementing partners specifically for midwives.—Present findings from ethnographic studies in Indonesia to understand why midwives continue FGM/C and how to build a movement against its medicalization.—Promote the Joint Statement on Ending FGM/C Medicalization and explore updates to professional codes of conduct to support midwifery-led prevention.—Showcase collaborative work between: 1) ICM and UNFPA on respectful maternity care and the prevention of FGM 2) ICM and UNFPA on code of ethics 3) UNFPA and WHO on training of midwives.

*Speaker: Christina Pallitto (Switzerland)*

ENGLISH

**Satellite Symposium: CIFF lunch symposium: Midwives' Associations Moving Policy into Practice**

12:50–13:50, ROOM 3B

Across Africa, midwives' associations are shaping policy—and translating it into measurable improvements in care. This lunch session spotlights how national and regional associations are accelerating competency based



education, updating clinical guidance, and advocating for fit for purpose training pathways.

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## Concurrent Session: Interprofessional—collaboration

14:00–15:30, PAVILION 2

**Chair: Atf Gherissi (Tunisia)**

- 14:00 **O 383** To present the work of a national collaboration of midwives, obstetricians, academics, maternity care supporters, addressing the growing crisis in UK maternity services  
*Speaker: Sheena Byrom (United Kingdom)*
- 14:15 **O 384** Co-producing equity: A care bundle to reduce maternal inequalities across London  
*Speaker: Nina Khazaezadeh (United Kingdom)*
- 14:30 **O 385** Midwives catalyzing change: A case-study from Paraguay  
*Speaker: Naomi Sorkin (Paraguay)*
- 14:45 **O 386** Integrating evidence-based prenatal and postnatal care into primary health services: An experience report from a training program for sus professionals  
*Speaker: Glauce Cristine Ferreira Soares (Brazil)*

15:00 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Respectful maternity care 2

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM III + IV

**Chair: Aparajita Gogoi (India)**

- 14:00 **O 376** Mistreatment during perinatal services in a high resource country: Drivers of disparities  
*Speaker: Saraswathi Vedam (Canada)*
- 14:15 **O 377** Did respectful maternity care improve after the end of the COVID-19 pandemic? Preliminary results from the IMAGINE study over 5 years in 21 countries  
*Speaker: Margherita Camanni (Italy)*
- 14:30 **O 184** Help-seeking following interpersonal and childbirth-related trauma: A grounded theory study  
*Speaker: Ursula Nagle (Ireland)*

14:45 **Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

**W 62: Workshop: Sharing knowledge production through a writing workshop. A QMNC Research Alliance collaboration**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VI

*Facilitator: Allison Cummins (Australia)*

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Labour and birth—VBAC**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VII

**Chair: Salma Hassan (Maldives)**

14:00 **O 378** Birth outcomes for women planning vaginal birth after caesarean (VBAC) in midwifery led settings: A systematic review and meta-analysis

*Speaker: Elidh Parslow (United Kingdom)*

14:15 **O 380** We are listening: Partnering with women to co-design a decision aid for birth options after a previous caesarean

*Speaker: Bethan Townsend (Australia)*

14:30 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Labour and birth—induction**

14:00–15:30, AUDITORIUM VIII

**Chair: Michaela Michel-Schuldt (Germany)**

14:00 **O 381** Evaluating the implementation of a multi-component strategy to optimise the timing and use of induction of labour

*Speaker: Susan Perlen (Australia)*

14:15 **O 382** The Birth Experiences Study in the Netherlands: Induction of labour is associated with a more negative childbirth experience, reduced perception of respect and lower autonomy

*Speaker: Stella Weiland (Netherlands)*

14:30 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Workforce—planning**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3A

**Chair: Sally Pairman (New Zealand)**

14:00 **O 387** Advancing equity in midwifery care: Lessons from Germany and New Zealand

*Speaker: Anne Griese (Germany)*



14:15 **O 388** How many midwives do we need? Determining safe and optimum staffing levels in maternity services

Speaker: Richard Griffin (United Kingdom)

14:30 **O 389** The midwifery workforce study: Building us midwives capacity for policy advocacy

Speaker: Jennifer Vanderlaan (USA)

14:45 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Other

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3B

**Chair: Jama Egal (Somalia)**

14:00 **O 391** Elane’s journey: A testament to midwifery, innovation, and compassion at midwives for Haiti

Speaker: Jane Drichta (Haiti)

14:15 **O 392** Midwives’ activism and empowerment in saving a woman’s life: A case of community-based postpartum emergency care in Thatta, Pakistan

Speaker: Rafat Jan (Pakistan)

14:30 **O 393** Midwifery-led open days improving access, equity and connection in maternity care through innovation, community engagement, and collaboration

Speaker: Katie Farrell (Australia)

14:51 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

### Concurrent Session: Complications—other

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3C

**Chair: Julie Nyanchama (Kenya)**

14:00 **O 394** Preventable tragedy: A case study of postpartum pregnancy associated acute kidney injury following haemorrhage in a young Zambian woman

Speaker: Mercy Kopeka (Zambia)

14:15 **O 395** Midwifery leadership in advancing global maternal kidney health: Establishing the Global PrAKI Consortium

Speaker: Katherine Clark (United Kingdom)

14:30 **O 396** The RSVoyage vaccine in pregnancy, a collaboration of clinical research teams, aiming to prevent RSV infections in babies by vaccinating their mothers

Speaker: Claire Bertorelli (United Kingdom)

14:45 **O 397** Maternal Immunization Readiness in Kenya: A Comprehensive Assessment for RSV and GBS Vaccine Introduction

Speaker: Julie Nyanchama (Kenya)

15:00 **Panel discussion**



ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Quality improvement

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5A

**Chair: Deborah Pidd (Australia)**

- 14:00 **O 398** **Transforming maternity outcomes in low-resource settings: Sierra Leone’s collaborative quality improvement experience**  
*Speaker: Patricia Efe Azikiwe (Sierra Leone)*
- 14:15 **O 399** **Developing maternity and neonatal national policy fit for the future: What good looks like**  
*Speaker: Karen Jewell (United Kingdom)*
- 14:30 **O 400** **Improving postnatal care measurement and data-informed action with midwives in Samoa**  
*Speaker: Zeshi Fisher (Australia)*
- 14:45 **Panel discussion**

ENGLISH

## Concurrent Session: Humanitarian 2

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5B

**Chair: Rondi Anderson (USA)**

- 14:00 **O 402** **Breaking taboos of gender-based violence: A community-based care approach in humanitarian contexts**  
*Speaker: Claire Reading Zombo (Belgium)*
- 14:15 **O 403** **Humanitarian midwifery in Europe. A midwives reflections from working in a refugee camp in Greece**  
*Speaker: Janne Gabrielle Hunsbeth (Norway)*
- 14:30 **O 404** **Introduction of a safe delivery app module—A free innovative digital micro-learning for midwives in fragile settings—On diagnosing and suturing perineal lacerations**  
*Speaker: Frederikke Busch (Denmark)*
- 14:45 **O 405** **The reproductive health response to women and trans people during floods at Rio Grande do Sul in May 2024: Sharing from our local learning**  
*Speaker: Sondre Alberto Schneck (Brazil)*
- 15:00 **Panel discussion**



## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Postpartum—miscellaneous**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5C

**Chair: Dilek Mamik Aktay (Turkey)**

- 14:00 O 406** Developing midwifery students' skills to support families during complementary feeding through experiential training and community listening  
*Speaker: Martina Caglioni (Italy)*
- 14:15 O 407** Partners' experience of childbirth in Iceland 6–12 weeks postpartum and their perception of midwifery support. A descriptive cross-sectional study  
*Speaker: Bryndís Guðmundsdóttir (Iceland)*
- 14:30 O 408** Online training for maternal and early postpartum exercise instructors during COVID-19: Graduate survey on continued implementation and social impact  
*Speaker: Naomi Yokote (Japan)*
- 14:45 O 409** Reviving the fourth trimester: Ayurvedic science in contemporary postnatal midwifery  
*Speaker: Priyanka Idicula (India)*
- 15:00** **Panel discussion**

## ENGLISH

**Concurrent Session: Education—issues**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 1.08

**Chair: Ruth Hammond (United Kingdom)**

- 14:00 O 372** The capacity mystery: How can education and practice placement providers collaborate to maximise and expand learning environment capacity for student midwives whilst maintaining quality assurance  
*Speaker: Catherine Flaherty (United Kingdom)*
- 14:15 O 373** The effect of positive birth stories workshop on professional motivation of midwifery students: A qualitative study  
*Speaker: Elif Doğan (Turkey)*
- 14:30 O 375** Confronting gender-based barriers: A qualitative study on midwifery students' experiences of discrimination in clinical settings  
*Speaker: Şerife Çınar (Turkey)*
- 14:45** **Panel discussion**



**C** Concurrent Session

**IW** ICM Workshop

**PF** Partner Funded Session

**PP** Plenary Session

**FRENCH**

**W 63: Workshop: For the midwives who opt for physiological childbirth: Acupressure is valuable addition to their daily practice in obstetrics**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 1.07

*Facilitators: Anita Devi Ikogou (Gabon), Emmanuelle Beboule (Gabon)*

**ENGLISH**

**W 64: Workshop: ‘MAG-TIT-HOAP’: Mindfulness and gentle touch in the hands of a professional. Implementing mindfulness and gentle touch in midwifery practice to enhance self-regeneration facilitating birth experience**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3D

*Facilitator: Natalie Sedlicka (Czech Republic)*

**ENGLISH**

**W 65: Workshop: Understanding the publication process to achieve success**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 3E

*Facilitators: Linda Sweet (Australia), Caroline Homer (Australia)*

**ENGLISH**

**W 66: Workshop: Rest or arrest? A workshop to advance knowledge and skills to support women, families and teams when dealing with a slowing or pausing of labour**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5D

*Facilitators: Laura Iannuzzi (United Kingdom), Anna Maria Rossetti (Italy), Marina Weckend (Germany)*

**ENGLISH**

**W 67: Workshop: Evidence-based midwifery practice and interactive adult learning using India adapted WHO Essential Childbirth Care (ECBC) module**

14:00–15:30, ROOM 5E

*Facilitators: Sheetal Samson (India), Jismy George (India), Inderjeet Kaur (India), Lilia Khusnoutdinova (Czech Republic), Janhavi Nilekani (India)*



**SS** Satellite Symposium

**W** Workshop

**T** Three-minute thesis presentation

**PS** Poster Session

**P** Practice Session

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## Plenary Session: Three-minute presentation competition final

16:00–16:30, PAVILION 2

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## Plenary Session: Closing Ceremony

16:30–17:30, PAVILION 2

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# Posters

The Congress will feature more than 600 posters, which will be displayed in the Poster area (Pavilion 4) on either Monday, 15 June, and Tuesday, 16 June, or Wednesday, 17 June, and Thursday, 18 June 2026.

	<b>Poster mounting</b>	<b>Poster removal</b>
Group A Posters with numbers starting with PA-000	Monday, 15 June, 8:00-12:30	Tuesday, 16 June, by 17:30
Group B Posters with numbers starting with PB-000	Wednesday, 17 June 8:00-12:30	Thursday, 18 June, by 17:30

## Poster Assistance

There will be assistance available in the poster area during the mounting and dismantling times and at the time of the poster sessions. Fixing materials for mounting posters will be available at the poster area.

## Poster Sessions

There will be four poster sessions within the Congress. All authors are kindly asked to be present with their poster during the Poster session allocated to them:

<b>Poster Session 1—Monday, 15 June, 17:30–18:30</b>	<b>Poster area (Pavilion 4)</b>
Poster numbers: PA-001–PA-170	
<b>Poster Session 2—Tuesday, 16 June, 12:30–14:00</b>	<b>Poster area (Pavilion 4)</b>
Poster numbers: PA-172–PA-340	

## Poster topics being presented on Monday (Group A), 17:30–18:30

PA 001 – PA 004	Midwifery education (French)
PA 005 – PA 005	Midwifery regulation (French)
PA 006 – PA 014	Midwifery practice and models of care (French)
PA 015 – PA 017	Health system designs and politics (French)
PA 018 – PA 019	Other topic of interest for midwives (French)
PA 020 – PA 024	Midwifery education (Spanish)
PA 025 – PA 036	Midwifery practice and models of care (Spanish)
PA 037 – PA 041	Midwifery leadership (Spanish)
PA 042 – PA 044	Health system designs and politics (Spanish)
PA 045 – PA 045	Gender equity (Spanish)
PA 046 – PA 046	Climate change (Spanish)



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PA 047 - PA 050 Other topic of interest for midwives (Spanish)

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PA 051 - PA 170 Midwifery practice and models of care (English, part I)

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### Poster topics being presented on Tuesday (Group A), 12:30–14:00

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PA 172 - PA 340 Midwifery practice and models of care (English, part II)

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#### Poster Session 3– Wednesday, 17 June, 17:30–18:30

Poster area (Pavilion 4)

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Poster numbers: PB-001–PB-175 + PB 346, PB 347, PB 349, PB 350

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#### Poster Session 4– Thursday, 18 June, 12:30–14:00

Poster area (Pavilion 4)

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Poster numbers: PB-176–PB-348

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### Poster topics being presented on Wednesday (Group B), 17:30–18:30

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PB 001 - PB 140 Midwifery education (English)

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PB 141 - PB 148 Midwifery regulation (English)

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PB 149 - PB 158 Strengthening midwives' associations (English)

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PB 159 - PB 175 Midwifery leadership (English)

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### Poster topics being presented on Thursday (Group B), 12:30–14:00

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PB 176 - PB 223 Health system designs and politics (English)

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PB 224 - PB 241 Gender equity (English)

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PB 242 - PB 255 Climate change (English)

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PB 256 - PB 267 Humanitarian issues (English)

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PB 268 - PB 348 Other topic of interest for midwives (English)

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## Poster Mounting and Removal

Posters presenting on Monday & Tuesday (Group A) will be displayed in Pavilion 4 on Monday & Tuesday and **should be mounted on the poster board on Monday before 12:30** and must be removed on Tuesday by 17:30.

Posters presenting on Wednesday & Thursday (Group B) will be displayed in Pavilion 4 on Wednesday & Thursday. **They should be mounted on the poster board on Tuesday before 12:30** and must be removed on Thursday by 17:30.

Each poster board will have a specific number. **Please make sure to mount your poster on the poster board with the number corresponding to the number assigned to your poster presentation. The poster number was sent to you via email on 26 March 2026.**

The event organisers are not responsible for any loss or damage to posters that are not removed by the specified time. Posters left behind after this time will be disposed of.

# Affiches

Au cours du Congrès plus de 600 affiches seront exposées dans l'espace Affiches (Pavillon 4), soit le lundi 15 juin et le mardi 16 juin, soit le mercredi 17 juin et le jeudi 18 juin 2026.

	Installation des affiches	Retrait des affiches
Groupe A Affiches dont le numéro commence par PA-000	Lundi 15 juin, 8 h - 12 h 30	Mardi 16 juin, avant 17 h 30
Groupe B Affiches dont le numéro commence par PB-000	Mercredi 17 juin 8 h - 12 h 30	Jeudi 18 juin, avant 17 h 30

## Aide à l'installation des affiches

Une assistance sera disponible dans les espaces Affiches pendant les périodes d'installation et de retrait ainsi que pendant les sessions de présentation des affiches. Du matériel de fixation pour l'accrochage des affiches sera disponible dans les espaces Affiches.

## Session de présentation des affiches

Quatre sessions de présentation sont prévues dans le cadre du Congrès. Tous les auteurs sont priés d'être présents avec leur affiche pendant la session qui leur est attribuée :

<b>Session de présentation d'affiches 1 - Lundi 15 juin, 17 h 30 - 18 h 30</b>	<b>Espace Affiches (Pavillon 4)</b>
Numéros des affiches : PA-001 - PA-170	
<b>Session de présentation d'affiches 2 - Mardi 16 juin, 12 h 30 - 14 h</b>	<b>Espace Affiches (Pavillon 4)</b>
Numéros des affiches : PA-172 - PA-340	

## Thèmes des affiches présentés le lundi (groupe A), 17 h 30 - 18 h 30

PA 001 - PA 004	Formation des sages-femmes (en français)
PA 005 - PA 005	Réglementation de la profession de sage-femme (en français)
PA 006 - PA 014	Pratique sage-femme et modèles de soins (en français)
PA 015 - PA 017	Conception et politique des systèmes de santé (en français)
PA 018 - PA 019	Autres thèmes d'intérêt pour les sages-femmes (français)
PA 020 - PA 024	Formation des sages-femmes (espagnol)
PA 025 - PA 036	Pratique sage-femme et modèles de soins (espagnol)
PA 037 - PA 041	Leadership en obstétrique (espagnol)
PA 042 - PA 044	Conception et politique des systèmes de santé (espagnol)
PA 045 - PA 045	Égalité entre les sexes (espagnol)
PA 046 - PA 046	Changement climatique (espagnol)



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PA 047 - PA 050 Autres sujets d'intérêt pour les sages-femmes (espagnol)

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PA 051 - PA 170 Pratique sage-femme et modèles de soins (anglais, partie I)

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### Thèmes des affiches présentés mardi (groupe A), 12 h 30 - 14 h

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PA 172 - PA 340 Pratique sage-femme et modèles de soins (anglais, partie II)

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**Session de présentation d'affiches 3 -  
Mercredi 17 juin, 17 h 30 - 18 h 30**

**Espace Affiches  
(Pavillon 4)**

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Numéros des affiches : PB-001 - PB-175 + PB 346, PB 347, PB 349, PB 350

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**Session de présentation d'affiches 4 -  
Jeudi 18 juin, 12 h 30 - 14 h**

**Espace Affiches  
(Pavillon 4)**

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Numéros d'affiches : PB-176 - PB-348

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### Thèmes des affiches présentés le mercredi (groupe B), 17 h 30 - 18 h 30

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PB 001 - PB 140 Formation en obstétrique (anglais)

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PB 141 - PB 148 Réglementation de la profession de sage-femme (anglais)

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PB 149 - PB 158 Renforcement des associations de sages-femmes (anglais)

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PB 159 - PB 175 Leadership en obstétrique (anglais)

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### Thèmes des affiches présentés le jeudi (Groupe B), 12 h 30 - 14 h

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PB 176 - PB 223 Conception et politique des systèmes de santé (anglais)

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PB 224 - PB 241 Égalité des sexes (anglais)

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PB 242 - PB 255 Changement climatique (anglais)

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PB 256 - PB 267 Questions humanitaires (anglais)

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PB 268 - PB 348 Autres sujets d'intérêt pour les sages-femmes (anglais)

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## Installation et retrait des affiches

**Les affiches présentées le lundi et le mardi (groupe A)** seront exposées dans le pavillon 4 le lundi et le mardi. **Elles doivent être installées sur le panneau d'affichage le lundi avant 12 h 30** et retirées le mardi avant 17 h 30.

**Les affiches présentées mercredi et jeudi (groupe B)** seront exposées dans le pavillon 4 mercredi et jeudi. **Elles doivent être installées sur le panneau d'affichage mardi avant 12 h 30** et retirées jeudi avant 17 h 30.

Chaque panneau d'affichage portera un numéro spécifique. **Veillez vous assurer de fixer votre affiche sur le panneau d'affichage portant le numéro correspondant à celui attribué à votre présentation. Le numéro de votre affiche vous a été envoyé par e-mail le 26 mars 2026.**

Les organisateurs de l'événement ne sont pas responsables de la perte ou de l'endommagement des affiches qui n'auront pas été retirées dans les délais impartis. Les affiches laissées sur place après cette date seront jetées.

# Pósteres

El Congreso contará con más de 600 pósteres, que se exhibirán en la zona de pósteres (Pabellón 4) el lunes 15 de junio y el martes 16 de junio, o el miércoles 17 de junio y el jueves 18 de junio de 2026.

	Colocación de pósteres	Retirada de pósteres
Grupo A Pósteres con números que comienzan por PA-000	Lunes, 15 de junio, 8:00-12:30	Martes, 16 de junio, antes de las 17:30
Grupo B Pósteres con números que empiezan por PB-000	Miércoles, 17 de junio 8:00-12:30	Jueves, 18 de junio, antes de las 17:30

## Asistencia para los pósteres

Habrà personal de asistencia disponible en la zona de pósteres durante los horarios de montaje y desmontaje, así como durante las sesiones de pósteres. En la zona de pósteres habrá materiales de fijación disponibles para el montaje de los pósteres.

## Sesiones de pósteres

Habrà cuatro sesiones de pósteres durante el Congreso. Se ruega a todos los autores que estén presentes con su póster durante la sesión de pósteres que se les haya asignado:

<b>Sesión de pósteres 1 - Lunes, 15 de junio, 17:30-18:30</b>	<b>Zona de pósteres (Pabellón 4)</b>
Números de póster: PA-001-PA-170	
<b>Sesión de pósteres 2 - Martes, 16 de junio, 12:30-14:00</b>	<b>Zona de pósteres (Pabellón 4)</b>
Números de póster: PA-172-PA-340	

## Temas de los pósteres que se presentarán el lunes (Grupo A), 17:30-18:30

PA 001 - PA 004	Formación en matronería (francés)
PA 005 - PA 005	Regulación de la matronería (francés)
PA 006 - PA 014	Práctica de la matronería y modelos de atención (francés)
PA 015 - PA 017	Diseños y políticas de los sistemas sanitarios (francés)
PA 018 - PA 019	Otros temas de interés para las matronas (francés)
PA 020 - PA 024	Formación en matronería (español)
PA 025 - PA 036	Práctica de la matronería y modelos de atención (español)
PA 037 - PA 041	Liderazgo en el ámbito de la matronería (español)
PA 042 - PA 044	Diseños y políticas de los sistemas sanitarios (español)
PA 045 - PA 045	Igualdad de género (español)



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PA 046 - PA 046 Cambio climático (español)

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PA 047 - PA 050 Otros temas de interés para las matronas (español)

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PA 051 - PA 170 Práctica de la matronería y modelos de atención (inglés, parte I)

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## Temas de los pósteres que se presentarán el martes (Grupo A), 12:30-14:00

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PA 172 - PA 340 Práctica de la matronería y modelos de atención (inglés, parte II)

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**Sesión de pósteres 3 -  
Miércoles, 17 de junio, 17:30-18:30**

**Área de pósteres  
(Pabellón 4)**

Números de póster: PB-001-PB-175 + PB 346, PB 347, PB 349, PB 350

**Sesión de pósteres 4 -  
Jueves, 18 de junio, 12:30-14:00**

**Zona de pósteres  
(Pabellón 4)**

Números de póster: PB-176-PB-348

## Temas de los pósteres que se presentarán el miércoles (Grupo B), 17:30-18:30

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PB 001 - PB 140 Formación en matronería (inglés)

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PB 141 - PB 148 Regulación de la matronería (inglés)

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PB 149 - PB 158 Fortalecimiento de las asociaciones de matronas (inglés)

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PB 159 - PB 175 Liderazgo en el ámbito de la matronería (inglés)

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## Temas de los pósteres que se presentarán el jueves (Grupo B), 12:30-14:00

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PB 176 - PB 223 Diseños y políticas de los sistemas sanitarios (inglés)

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PB 224 - PB 241 Igualdad de género (inglés)

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PB 242 - PB 255 Cambio climático (inglés)

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PB 256 - PB 267 Cuestiones humanitarias (inglés)

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PB 268 - PB 348 Otros temas de interés para las matronas (inglés)

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## ⋮ Montaje y retirada de pósteres

Los pósteres que se presenten el lunes y el martes (Grupo A) se exhibirán en el Pabellón 4 el lunes y el martes, y **deberán montarse en el panel de pósteres el lunes antes de las 12:30** y retirarse el martes antes de las 17:30.

Los pósteres que se presenten el miércoles y el jueves (Grupo B) se exhibirán en el Pabellón 4 el miércoles y el jueves. **Deberán colocarse en el panel de pósteres el martes antes de las 12:30** y retirarse el jueves antes de las 17:30.

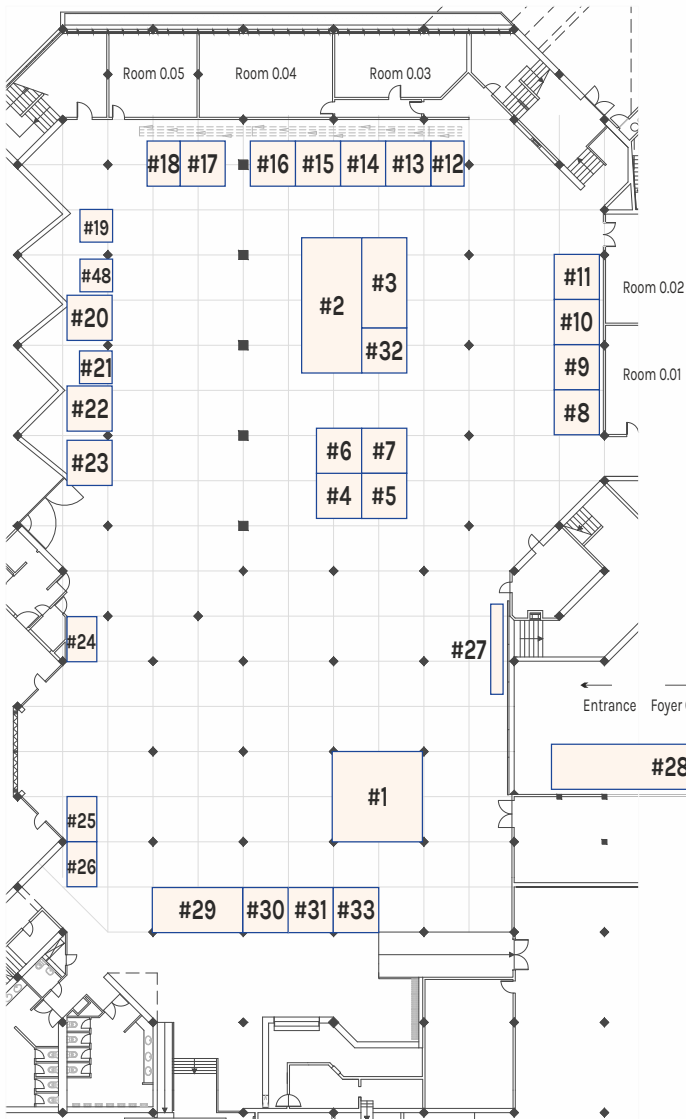
Cada panel tendrá un número específico. **Asegúrese de colocar su póster en el panel con el número que corresponda al número asignado a su presentación. El número de póster le fue enviado por correo electrónico el 26 de marzo de 2026.**

Los organizadores del evento no se hacen responsables de ninguna pérdida o daño que sufran los pósteres que no se retiren en el plazo especificado. Los pósteres que se dejen después de esta hora serán desechados.



# Exhibition Floorplan

## Pavilion 1



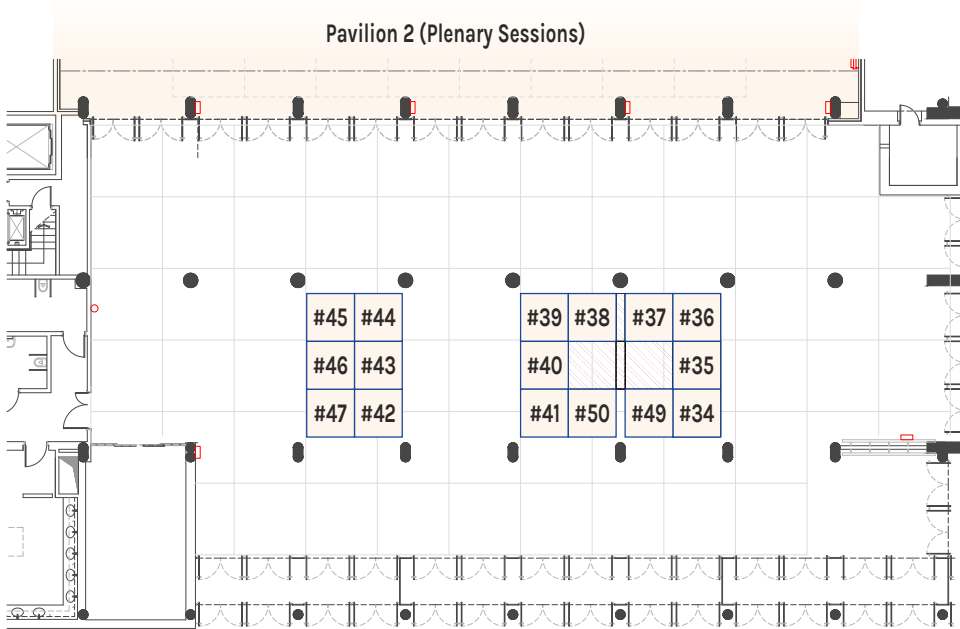
### List of Exhibitors

- 1) Medela
- 2) UNFPA
- 3) GE Healthcare
- 4+5) Febromed
- 6+7) Laerdal
- 8) Compassionate Inquiry
- 9) McMaster Midwifery
- 10) Maternity foundation
- 11) Induvita
- 12) Kaizen Biotech - Flow
- 13) University of British Columbia
- 14) Picterus
- 15) Canadian Association of Midwives
- 16) Kimetec
- 17) Butterfly Network
- 18) European Journal of Midwifery
- 19) Ariadne Labs
- 20) Inglesina
- 21) Dignity Care
- 22) Global PraKi
- 23) ClientCare
- 24) GynZone Aps
- 25) Ipas
- 26) APEO
- 27) Wisepress
- 28) ICM
- 29) Expanscience
- 30) Birthrate Plus
- 31) Corman - Organyc
- 32) Huntleigh
- 33) The Midwifery Foundation
- 48) UAE - National Midwifery Society



# Exhibition Floorplan

## Pavilion 2—Foyer A



### List of Exhibitors

- 34) Amanda Greavette
- 35) All 4 Maternity
- 36) MamAmor
- 37) iLactation
- 38) IBLCE
- 39) Thru the Pinard Podcast
- 40) The Midwifery Folklorist
- 41) Van Leer Foundation
- 42) AABC
- 43) QMNC
- 44) Razão d'Ser Ida
- 45) Médicos Sem Fronteiras
- 46) European Doula Network
- 47) Bihotz Mujer
- 49) Facts of life
- 50) Vibwife AG



# List of Exhibitors in Alphabetical Order

<b>Company</b>	<b>Booth number</b>
AABC	FOYER A - 42
All 4 Maternity	FOYER A - 35
Amanda Greavette	FOYER A - 34
APEO	26
Ariadne Labs	19
Bihotz Mujer	FOYER A - 47
Birthrate Plus	30
Butterfly Network	17
Canadian Association of Midwives	15
ClientCare	23
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# Congress Information A–Z

## Abstract book

The abstracts of all congress presentations—including oral sessions, workshops, 3-minute competition presentations and posters—are published in a special issue of *The European Journal of Midwifery*. The Congress Abstract Book is available for download via the Congress Portal on the event website ([www.midwives2026.org](http://www.midwives2026.org)).



Please note that abstracts are published as submitted for review in 2025, and the presenting authors are fully responsible for the content of both their abstracts and presentations.

## Badges

Delegates are informed that they should wear the congress badge at all times when attending the congress sessions and official congress events. Access to the scientific sessions and exhibition area will not be permitted without a valid badge.

## Cash money

The euro is Portugal's official currency.

## Certificate of attendance

All registered delegates present on-site are entitled to receive a Certificate of Attendance after filling out the Evaluation form. The certificate can be downloaded from the Online Portal after the Congress.

## Certificate of presentation

Presenters will receive a Certificate of Presentation. This will

be automatically issued after the Congress and will be available in the Online Service Portal at the event website [www.midwives2026.org](http://www.midwives2026.org).

## Cloakroom

No “luggage cloakroom” facility is available at the venue. On the day of your departure, please leave your luggage in the hotel storage room.

## Congress language

The congress languages are English/Spanish/French. Interpretation will only be available in the main Congress halls—Pavilion 2, Auditorium 1 and Auditorium 2.

## AI Interpretation—Wordly App

To support inclusive participation, the Wordly app provides real-time AI interpretation in multiple languages during selected Congress sessions.

## Wordly

### How to access Wordly

Wordly is available in three ways—no account or registration required:

- **iOS app**—Download from the App Store
- **Android app**—Download from the Google Play Store
- **Web app**—Use directly in your browser at [wordly.ai](http://wordly.ai)—no installation needed

We recommend downloading the app in advance so you're ready before the sessions begin.



## Where it's available

Interpretation is available only in the main Congress halls:

- Pavilion 2
- Auditorium 1
- Auditorium 2

## What to bring

In addition to your phone/tablet/notebook, please bring your own earphones. Using your phone speaker is not allowed, as it disturbs those around you.

## A tip for the best results

We recommend using the app's live transcript (text) feature—in our experience, the written translation tends to be more accurate than the spoken interpretation.

## Please keep in mind

Wordly uses AI technology, so interpretation may not always be perfect. It is intended to make the Congress as accessible as possible for all participants.

## Congress official app

Download the official Congress app to ensure you receive live updates throughout the Congress. The app also lets you access the full programme, personalize your schedule, and learn more about speakers.



Stay up to date throughout the Congress.

## Disclaimer

The congress organisers have taken all responsible care in making arrangements for the congress. In the event of unforeseen disruptions, neither ICM, the congress organisers, nor their agents can be held responsible for any losses or damages incurred by delegates. The programme

is correct at the time of printing, but the organisers reserve the right to alter the programme, if and when deemed necessary. Hotels and transportation services are subject to the terms and conditions under which they are offered to the general public, and delegates should make their own arrangements with respect to personal insurance.

## Drinking water

Water fountains will be available throughout the venue. Participants are encouraged to bring reusable water bottles. Tap water in Portugal is safe to drink.

## Electricity

The standard voltage in Portugal is 230 V, 50 Hz. European two-pin plugs (Type C or F) are used. Participants travelling from outside Europe may require an adapter.

## First aid

There is a First Aid facility at the venue. In case of emergency, please contact the staff at the registration desk.

## Emergency calls


In case of emergency in Portugal, please dial the European Emergency Number: 112

- Use for ambulance, police, or fire brigade
- Available 24/7, free of charge
- Operators can assist in English

## Exhibition

The Exhibition area is located in Pavillion 1 and Foyer A.

All exhibitors are listed on page 144.



The Exhibition opening hours are:

<b>Monday 15 June</b>	10:00–17:30
<b>Tuesday 16 June</b>	10:00–17:30
<b>Wednesday 17 June</b>	10:00–17:30
<b>Thursday 18 June</b>	10:00–16:30

## Food and beverages

Coffee breaks and lunches are included in the registration fee and will be served in the following locations:

### Coffee breaks

(Monday–Thursday,  
10:00–10:30 and 15:00–15:30)

Ground floor: Exhibition (Pavillion 1),  
Artisan Village/MA's and NGO Village  
(Foyer A), Foyer E  
First floor: Foyer D

### Lunch

(Monday–Thursday, 12:30–14:00)

Seated lunch areas: Restaurant, Terrace,  
Foyer E, Foyer D

Standing lunch areas: Foyer D, Exhibition

Only registered delegates presenting  
their congress badge will have access  
to the lunch areas.

## Insurance and liability

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The programme is correct at the time of printing, but the organiser reserves the right to alter the programme if and when deemed necessary. ICM and the congress organiser act as agents only in securing hotels, transport and travel services, and shall in no case be liable for acts or omissions in the event of injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity of any kind whatsoever during arrangements organised through contractors or by the employees of such contractors.

ICM and their agents will accept no liability for injuries sustained by or for loss or damage of property belonging to congress participants or accompanying persons, either during or as a result of the congress, tours and related events.

Participants are strongly recommended to take out their personal insurance policy for health and accident, lost luggage and flight cancellations.

All disputes are subject to resolution under Portuguese Law.

## Internet and WIFI

WIFI is available across the congress venue.

WIFI name is: **ICM 2026**.

No password is required to log in.

## Lost and found

A lost and found service is available at the Registration desk located in Registration area.

## Mobile phones

Participants are kindly invited to switch their mobiles to “silent mode” when entering the session halls or other locations where sessions are taking place.

## Pharmacy

The closest pharmacy near the venue is Farmácia Santo Amaro, R. Filinto Elísio 29B, 1300-245 Lisboa.

## Posters

Poster sessions will take place in Pavilion 4 (First floor).

Presenting authors are encouraged to be present during the poster session to answer possible questions from the delegates. Please try to be near your poster during your allocated time.



### Group A

Poster Session 1 (Group A),  
15.06., 17:30–18:30, Pavilion 4

Poster Session 2 (Group A),  
16.06., 12:30–14:00, Pavilion 4

Your poster can be mounted on the poster board on **Monday (15 June) morning** and must be removed on **Tuesday (16 June) evening by 19:00**.

### Group B

Poster Session 3 (Group B),  
17.06., 17:30–18:30, Pavilion 4

Poster Session 4 (Group B),  
18.06., 12:30–14:00, Pavilion 4

Your poster can be mounted on the poster board on **Wednesday (17 June) morning** and must be removed on **Thursday (18 June) evening by 17:30**.

Each poster board will have a specific number. Please make sure to mount your poster on the poster board with the number corresponding to the number assigned to your poster presentation.

## Prayer rooms

The prayer room is located in Room 1.09 on the First floor.

## Quiet/nursing room

The Quiet/Nursing room is located in room 1.14.

## Programme changes

The organisers cannot assume liability for any changes in the programme due to external or unforeseen circumstances.

## Registration and bag distribution

The registration desk opening hours are as follows:

<b>Saturday, 13 June</b>	13:00–19:00
<b>Sunday, 14 June</b>	10:00–19:30
<b>Monday–Thursday, 15–18 June</b>	07:30–17:30

Badge reprint in case of a lost or forgotten badge is charged with an administrative fee of 10 EUR.

Each attendee with full registration (not including accompanying persons, exhibitors and one-day passes) can pick up one congress bag at the Bag stand in the Foyer upon scanning their badge.

## Smoking policy

There is a strict no-smoking policy in the entire congress venue.

## Slide preview room

If you have any slides prepared for your presentation/ workshop, kindly note that these must be handed over to the technicians in the slide preview room as much in advance as possible, and no later than 2 (two) hours before the beginning of the corresponding session. All presentations for early morning sessions must be handed over the day before.

The Slide Preview Room is located in **Room 1.10**, first floor. The following opening hours will apply:

<b>Sunday, 14 June</b>	14:00–19:00
<b>Monday, 15 June</b>	07:30–18:30
<b>Tuesday, 16 June</b>	07:30–18:30
<b>Wednesday, 17 June</b>	07:30–18:30
<b>Thursday, 18 June</b>	08:00–17:30



## Taxes

VAT is included in most displayed prices.

- **23% (standard rate)** applies to most goods and services (electronics, clothing, etc.)
- **13% (intermediate rate)** typically restaurants, some food items, and certain services
- **6% (reduced rate)** Essential goods like basic food, books, medicines, public transport

## Taxis and transport

There will be NO shuttle bus services between the hotels and the venue.

In Lisbon, taxis are easy to find around the Lisbon Congress Centre and can be hailed on the street or at nearby taxi stands. Most taxis are beige or black-and-green and use meters—make sure the driver turns it on at the start of your trip. For convenience, you can also use apps like Uber or Bolt.

## Tipping

Tipping is not mandatory in Lisbon, but it is appreciated. In restaurants, rounding up the bill or leaving around 5-10% is common for good service.

## Venue

Lisbon Congress Centre

Praça das Indústrias 1, 1300-307 Lisboa, Portugal

# Le Congrès de A-Z

## Recueil des résumés

Les résumés de toutes les présentations du Congrès (sessions orales, ateliers, concours de présentations de 3 minutes et affiches) sont publiés dans

un numéro spécial de *The European Journal of Midwifery*. Le recueil des résumés est disponible en téléchargement sur le portail du Congrès, accessible via le site Web de l'événement ([www.midwives2026.org](http://www.midwives2026.org)).

Veuillez noter que les résumés sont publiés tels qu'ils ont été soumis pour évaluation en juin 2026. Les auteurs sont entièrement responsables du contenu de leurs résumés et de leurs présentations.



## Badges

Les délégués doivent porter, en permanence, leur badge du Congrès lorsqu'ils assistent aux sessions du Congrès et aux événements officiels du Congrès. L'accès aux sessions scientifiques et à l'espace d'exposition sera refusé sans badge valide.

## Devise

L'euro est la monnaie officielle du Portugal.

## Attestation de participation

Tous les délégués inscrits et présents sur place recevront une attestation de participation après avoir rempli le formulaire d'évaluation. Cette attestation pourra être téléchargée depuis le portail en ligne, après le Congrès.

## Certificat de présentation

Les intervenants recevront un certificat de présentation. Il sera automatiquement délivré après le Congrès et sera disponible sur le portail du Congrès sur le site Web de l'événement [www.midwives2026.org](http://www.midwives2026.org).

## Bagagerie

Le site ne dispose pas de bagagerie. Le jour de votre départ, veuillez utiliser la bagagerie de votre hôtel.

## Langue du Congrès

Les langues du Congrès sont l'anglais, l'espagnol et le français. Un service d'interprétation sera disponible uniquement dans les salles principales: le pavillon 2, l'auditorium 1 et l'auditorium 2.

## Interprétation par IA – Application Wordly

Pour favoriser une participation inclusive, l'application Wordly propose une interprétation par IA en temps réel dans plusieurs langues lors de certaines sessions du Congrès.



## Comment accéder à Wordly

Wordly est accessible de trois manières, sans inscription ni compte :

- **Application iOS** – Télécharger sur l'App Store
- **Application Android** – Télécharger sur le Google Play Store

- **Application Web** – Utiliser directement dans votre navigateur à l'adresse [wordly.ai](http://wordly.ai) – aucune installation requise

Nous vous recommandons de télécharger l'application à l'avance avant le début des sessions.

## Où ce service est-il disponible ?

L'interprétation est disponible uniquement dans les salles principales du Congrès :

- Pavillon 2
- Auditorium 1
- Auditorium 2

## Que faut-il apporter ?

En plus de votre téléphone, tablette ou ordinateur portable, veuillez apporter vos propres écouteurs. L'utilisation du haut-parleur de votre téléphone est interdite afin de ne pas gêner les autres participants.

## Conseil pour une interprétation optimale

Nous vous recommandons d'utiliser la fonction de transcription en direct (texte) de l'application. D'après notre expérience, la traduction écrite est généralement plus précise que l'interprétation orale.

## Rappel

Wordly utilise l'intelligence artificielle ; l'interprétation ne sera donc pas toujours parfaite. Son objectif est de rendre le Congrès aussi accessible que possible à tous les participants.

## Application officielle du Congrès

Téléchargez l'application officielle du Congrès pour recevoir des mises à jour

en direct tout au long de l'événement. L'application vous permet également d'accéder au programme complet, de personnaliser votre agenda et d'en savoir plus sur les intervenants.



Restez informé(e) pendant toute la durée du Congrès.

## Avertissement

Les organisateurs ont pris toutes les précautions nécessaires lors de l'organisation du Congrès. En cas de perturbations imprévues, ni l'ICM, ni les organisateurs du Congrès, ni leurs agents ne peuvent être tenus responsables des pertes ou dommages subis par les délégués. Le programme est à jour au moment de l'impression, mais les organisateurs se réservent le droit d'apporter des modifications si nécessaire. Les hôtels et les services de transport sont soumis aux termes et conditions selon lesquels ils sont offerts au public et les délégués doivent prendre leurs dispositions en matière d'assurance personnelle.

## Eau Potable

Des fontaines à eau seront disponibles sur l'ensemble du site. Les participants sont invités à apporter des gourdes réutilisables. L'eau du robinet est potable au Portugal.

## Électricité

La tension standard au Portugal est de 230 V, 50 Hz. Les prises sont de type européen (deux broches, type C ou F). Les participants venant de pays hors d'Europe pourraient avoir besoin d'un adaptateur.

## Premiers Secours

Un poste de premiers secours est disponible sur place. En cas d'urgence, veuillez vous adresser au personnel d'accueil.



## Numéros d'urgence

En cas d'urgence au Portugal, veuillez composer le numéro d'urgence européen : **112**

- Ambulances, police ou pompiers.
- Disponible 24h/24 et 7j/7, gratuitement.
- Les opérateurs peuvent vous assister en anglais.

## Exposition

L'espace d'exposition se situe dans le pavillon 1 et le foyer A.

Tous les exposants sont listés à la page 144.

Horaires d'ouverture de l'exposition :

<b>Lundi 15 juin</b>	10 h - 17 h 30
<b>Mardi 16 juin</b>	10 h - 17 h 30
<b>Mercredi 17 juin</b>	10 h - 17 h 30
<b>Jeudi 18 juin</b>	10 h - 16 h 30

## Produits alimentaires et boissons

Les pauses café et les déjeuners sont inclus dans les frais d'inscription et seront servis dans les lieux suivants :

**Pause café (du lundi au jeudi, de 10 h à 10 h 30 et de 15 h à 15 h 30)**

Rez-de-chaussée : Exposition (Pavillon 1), Village des artisans/Village des AM et des ONG (Foyer A), Foyer E

Premier étage : Foyer D

**Déjeuner (du lundi au jeudi, de 12 h 30 à 14 h)**

Espaces de restauration (assis) : Restaurant, Terrasse, Foyer E, Foyer D

Espaces de restauration (debout) : Foyer D, Exposition

Seuls les délégués dûment inscrits et représentant leur badge d'accès au Congrès auront accès aux zones de déjeuner.

## Assurance et responsabilité

Les organisateurs ont pris toutes les précautions nécessaires lors de l'organisation du Congrès. En cas de perturbations imprévues, ni l'ICM, l'organisateur du Congrès, ni ses agents ne peuvent être tenus responsables des pertes ou dommages subis par les délégués.

Ce programme est à jour au moment de l'impression, mais l'organisateur se réserve le droit de le modifier si nécessaire.

L'ICM - l'organisateur du Congrès - n'agit qu'en qualité d'agent pour la réservation des hôtels, des transports et des services de voyage et ne pourra en aucun cas être tenu responsable des actes ou omissions en cas de blessure, dommage, perte, accident, retard ou irrégularité de quelque nature que ce soit, dans le cadre des dispositions prises par l'intermédiaire de prestataires ou par les employés de ces prestataires.

L'ICM et ses agents n'accepteront aucune responsabilité pour les blessures subies par les participants au Congrès ou les personnes qui les accompagnent, ni pour la perte ou la détérioration de leurs biens, pendant ou à cause du Congrès, des visites guidées et des événements qui y sont liés.

Il est fortement recommandé aux participants de souscrire une police d'assurance personnelle pour la santé et les accidents, les bagages perdus et les annulations de vol.

Tous les litiges sont soumis au droit portugais.

## Internet et Wifi

Le WIFI est disponible dans tous les bâtiments du Congrès.

Réseau WiFi: **ICM 2026**. Aucun mot de passe n'est requis.



## Objets trouvés

Un service des objets trouvés est disponible au bureau d'inscription situé dans la zone d'inscription.

## Téléphones portables

Les participants sont invités à mettre leur téléphone portable en mode « silencieux » lorsqu'ils entrent dans les salles ou autres lieux où se déroulent les sessions.

## Pharmacie

La pharmacie la plus proche est la Farmácia Santo Amaro, R. Filinto Elísio 29B, 1300-245 Lisboa.

## Affiches

Les sessions de présentation d'affiches se dérouleront dans le Pavillon 4 (1er étage).

Les présentateurs d'affiches sont invités à être présents pendant la session d'affichage afin de répondre aux questions des participants. Veuillez vous tenir à proximité de votre affiche pendant le créneau horaire qui vous est attribué.

### Groupe A

Session de présentation d'affiche 1 (Groupe A) :  
15 juin, 17 h 30-18 h 30, Pavillon 4

Session de présentation d'affiche 2 (Groupe A) :  
16 juin, 12 h 30-14 h, Pavillon 4

Vous pouvez installer votre affiche sur le panneau d'affichage **le lundi 15 juin au matin** et vous devez la retirer **le mardi 16 juin au soir avant 19 h.**

### Groupe B

Session de présentation d'affiche 3 (Groupe B),  
17/06, 17 h 30-18 h 30, Pavillon 4

Session de présentation d'affiche 4 (Groupe B),  
18/06, 12 h 30-14 h, Pavillon 4

Vous pouvez installer votre affiche sur le panneau d'affichage

**le mercredi 17 juin au matin** et vous devez la retirer **le jeudi 18 juin au soir avant 17 h 30.**

Chaque panneau d'affichage est numéroté. Veuillez installer votre affiche sur le panneau correspondant au numéro de votre session.

## Salles de prières

La salle de prières se trouve dans la salle 1.09 au premier étage.

## Salle d'allaitement/ de repos

La salle d'allaitement/de repos se trouve dans la salle 1.14.

## Changements apportés au programme

Les organisateurs ne peuvent être tenus responsables de toute modification du programme due à des circonstances externes ou imprévues.

## Inscription et distribution des sacs

Les horaires d'inscription sont les suivants:

**Samedi 13 juin** 13 h - 19 h

**Dimanche 14 juin** 10 h - 19 h 30

**Du lundi 15 au jeudi 18 juin** 7 h 30 - 17 h 30

En cas de perte ou d'oubli d'un badge, le double est facturé 10 EUR pour couvrir les frais administratifs.

Chaque participant inscrit (hors personnes accompagnatrices, exposants et détenteurs de badges journaliers) peut retirer un sac de conférence au stand prévu à cet effet dans le hall d'entrée, après avoir scanné son badge.

## Politique relative au tabac

Il est strictement interdit de fumer dans l'ensemble du site du Congrès.



## Salle de prévisualisation des présentations

Si vous avez préparé des diapositives pour votre présentation/atelier, veuillez noter qu'elles doivent être remises aux techniciens de la salle de prévisualisation le plus tôt possible, et au plus tard deux heures avant le début de la session correspondante. Toutes les présentations pour les sessions du matin doivent être remises la veille.

La salle de prévisualisation des présentations se trouve au premier étage (**salle 1.10**). Les horaires d'ouverture sont les suivants :

<b>Dimanche 14 juin</b>	14 h - 19 h
<b>Lundi 15 juin</b>	7 h 30 - 18 h 30
<b>Mardi 16 juin</b>	7 h 30 - 18 h 30
<b>Mercredi 17 juin</b>	7 h 30 - 18 h 30
<b>Jeudi 18 juin</b>	8 h - 17 h 30

## Taxes

La TVA est incluse dans la plupart des prix affichés.

- **23 % (taux normal)** s'applique à la plupart des biens et services (électronique, vêtements, etc.).
- **13 % (taux intermédiaire)** s'applique généralement aux restaurants, à certains produits alimentaires et à certains services.
- **6 % (taux réduit)** s'applique aux biens essentiels comme les produits alimentaires de base, les livres, les médicaments et les transports publics.

## Taxis and transport

Il n'y aura pas de navette entre les hôtels et le lieu de l'événement.

À Lisbonne, vous trouverez facilement des taxis aux alentours du Palais des Congrès. Vous pouvez les héler dans la rue ou aux stations de taxi voisines. La plupart des taxis sont beiges ou noirs et verts et sont équipés de compteurs ; assurez-vous que le chauffeur les mette en marche au début de la course. Vous pouvez également utiliser des applications comme Uber ou Bolt.

## Pourboires

Les pourboires ne sont pas obligatoires à Lisbonne, mais ils sont appréciés. Au restaurant, il est courant d'arrondir l'addition ou de laisser environ 5 à 10 % pour un bon service.

## Site

Lisbon Congress Centre

Praça das Indústrias 1, 1300-307 Lisboa, Portugal

# Información útil sobre Lisboa y el Congreso

## Libro de resúmenes

Los resúmenes de todas las presentaciones del Congreso —incluidas las sesiones orales, los talleres, las presentaciones tipo concurso de tesis en tres minutos y los pósteres— se publican en un número especial de *The European Journal of Midwifery*. El libro de resúmenes del Congreso está disponible para su descarga a través del portal del Congreso en el sitio web del evento ([www.midwives2026.org](http://www.midwives2026.org)).



Tenga en cuenta que los resúmenes se publican tal como se envían para su revisión en junio de 2026, y los autores que los presentan son totalmente responsables del contenido tanto de sus resúmenes como de sus presentaciones.

## Acreditaciones

Los delegados deberán llevar su acreditación en todo momento mientras asistan a las sesiones del Congreso y a los actos oficiales del mismo. No se permitirá el acceso a las sesiones científicas ni a la zona de exposiciones sin una acreditación válida.

## Dinero en efectivo

La moneda oficial de Portugal es el euro.

## Certificado de asistencia

Todos los delegados inscritos presentes en el evento tienen derecho a recibir un certificado de asistencia tras completar el formulario de evaluación. El certificado podrá descargarse desde el portal online una vez finalizado el Congreso.

## Certificado de presentación

Los ponentes recibirán un certificado de presentación. Este se expedirá automáticamente después del Congreso y estará disponible en el portal de servicios online del sitio web del evento [www.midwives2026.org](http://www.midwives2026.org).

## Servicio de guardarropa

En la sede del Congreso no hay cuarto de almacenamiento de equipaje, ni servicio de guardarropa. El día de su partida, deje su equipaje en la consigna de su hotel.

## Idioma del Congreso

Los idiomas oficiales del Congreso son: inglés, español y francés. El servicio de interpretación estará disponible únicamente en las salas principales del Congreso: Pabellón 2, Auditorio 1 y Auditorio 2.

## Interpretación con IA – aplicación Wordly

Para fomentar una participación inclusiva, se ofrece interpretación en tiempo real por IA a través de la aplicación Wordly en varios idiomas durante determinadas sesiones del Congreso.



## Cómo acceder a Wordly

Wordly está disponible de tres maneras, sin necesidad de registrarse o crear una cuenta:

- **Aplicación para iOS:** se descarga desde la App Store.

- **Aplicación para Android:** se descarga desde Google Play Store.
- **Aplicación web:** se utiliza directamente en el navegador en wordly.ai; no requiere instalación.

Recomendamos descargar la aplicación por adelantado para tenerlo todo listo antes de que comiencen las sesiones.

## ¿Dónde está disponible

La interpretación está disponible únicamente en las salas principales del Congreso:

- Pabellón 2
- Auditorio 1
- Auditorio 2

## ¿Qué llevar

Además de su teléfono/tableta/portátil, traiga sus propios auriculares. No está permitido usar el altavoz del teléfono, ya que molesta a los demás.

## Un consejo para obtener mejores resultados

Recomendamos usar la función de transcripción en vivo (texto) de la aplicación; según nuestra experiencia, la traducción escrita suele ser más precisa que la interpretación oral.

## Advertencia

Wordly utiliza tecnología de IA, por lo que es posible que la interpretación no sea siempre perfecta. Se utiliza con la finalidad de que el Congreso sea lo más accesible posible para todos los participantes.

## Aplicación oficial del Congreso

Descargue la aplicación oficial del Congreso para recibir actualizaciones en tiempo real durante todo el evento. La aplicación también permite acceder al programa completo, personalizar

la agenda y obtener más información sobre los ponentes.



Manténgase al día durante todo el Congreso.

## Exención de responsabilidad

Los organizadores del Congreso han puesto el máximo cuidado en su organización. En caso de interrupciones imprevistas, ni la ICM, ni los organizadores del Congreso, ni sus agentes podrán ser considerados responsables de las pérdidas o daños sufridos por los delegados. El programa es exacto en el momento de su impresión, pero los organizadores se reservan el derecho a introducir cambios si lo consideran necesario. Los hoteles y los servicios de transporte están sujetos a los términos y condiciones en que se ofrecen al público en general, y los delegados deberán ocuparse por su cuenta de los seguros de índole personal.

## Agua potable

Habrá fuentes de agua disponibles en todo el recinto. Se recomienda a los participantes que traigan botellas de agua reutilizables. En Portugal se puede beber el agua del grifo.

## Electricidad

La tensión estándar en Portugal es de 230 V, 50 Hz. Se utilizan enchufes europeos de dos clavijas (tipo C o F). Los participantes que viajen desde fuera de Europa podrían necesitar un adaptador.

## Primeros auxilios

En el recinto hay un puesto de primeros auxilios. En caso de emergencia, póngase en contacto con el personal de la recepción.



## ☸ Teléfono de emergencias

En caso de emergencia en Portugal, llame al número de emergencias europeo: **112**.

- Úselo para pedir una ambulancia o llamar a la policía o los bomberos.
- Disponible las 24 horas, todos los días, de forma gratuita.
- Los operadores pueden atenderle en inglés.

## ☸ Exposición

El área de exposición se encuentra en el Pabellón 1 y el Vestíbulo A.

Todos los expositores aparecen en la página 144.

El horario de apertura de la exposición es:

<b>Lunes 15 de junio</b>	10:00 - 17:30
<b>Martes 16 de junio</b>	10:00 - 17:30
<b>Miércoles 17 de junio</b>	10:00 - 17:30
<b>Jueves 18 de junio</b>	10:00 - 16:30

## ☸ Comidas y bebidas

El café y el almuerzo están incluidos en la cuota de inscripción y se servirán en los siguientes lugares:

**Café (de lunes a jueves, de 10:00 a 10:30 y de 15:00 a 15:30)**

Planta baja: Exposición (Pabellón 1), zona de artesanía/zona de AM y ONG (Vestíbulo A), Vestíbulo E

Primera planta: Vestíbulo D

**Almuerzo (de lunes a jueves, de 12:30 a 14:00)**

Zonas para comer sentado: Restaurante, Terraza, Vestíbulo E, Vestíbulo D

Zonas para comer de pie: Vestíbulo D, Exposición

Solo los delegados debidamente inscritos que presenten su acreditación del Congreso tendrán acceso a las zonas de almuerzo.

## ☸ Seguro y responsabilidad civil

Los organizadores del Congreso han tomado todas las precauciones necesarias para su realización. En caso de imprevistos, ni la ICM, ni los organizadores del Congreso, ni sus agentes serán responsables de las pérdidas o daños que puedan sufrir los delegados.

El programa es correcto en el momento de su impresión, pero el organizador se reserva el derecho de modificarlo si lo considera necesario. La ICM, el organizador del Congreso, actúa únicamente como intermediario en la contratación de hoteles, transporte y servicios de viaje, y en ningún caso será responsable de los actos u omisiones que puedan ocasionar lesiones, daños, pérdidas, accidentes, retrasos o irregularidades de cualquier tipo durante la organización de los servicios gestionados por contratistas o por sus empleados.

La ICM y sus agentes no se responsabilizarán de las lesiones sufridas ni de la pérdida o los daños de las pertenencias de los participantes o sus acompañantes, ya sea durante o como consecuencia del Congreso, las excursiones y los eventos relacionados.

Se recomienda encarecidamente a los participantes que contraten un seguro personal que cubra la salud, los accidentes, la pérdida de equipaje y la cancelación de vuelos.

Todas las controversias están sujetas a resolución conforme a la legislación portuguesa.

## ☸ Internet y wifi

Hay WIFI disponible en todo el recinto del Congreso.

La red WIFI se llama: **ICM 2026**. No se requiere contraseña para iniciar sesión.



## Objetos perdidos

El servicio de objetos perdidos se encuentra en el mostrador de registro, ubicado en el área de registro.

## Teléfonos móviles

Se solicita a los participantes que pongan sus teléfonos móviles en modo silencioso al entrar en las salas u otros lugares donde se lleven a cabo las sesiones.

## Farmacia

La farmacia más cercana al lugar es Farmácia Santo Amaro, R. Filinto Elísio 29B, 1300-245 Lisboa.

## Pósteres

Las sesiones de pósteres tendrán lugar en el Pabellón 4 (primera planta).

Se anima a los autores a estar presentes durante la sesión de pósteres para responder a las posibles preguntas de los asistentes. Procuren estar cerca de su póster durante el tiempo asignado.

### Grupo A

Sesión de pósteres 1 (Grupo A), 15 de junio, 17:30-18:30, Pabellón 4

Sesión de pósteres 2 (Grupo A), 16 de junio, 12:30-14:00, Pabellón 4

Pueden colocar su póster en el panel **el lunes 15 de junio por la mañana** y deberán retirarlo **el martes 16 de junio por la tarde antes de las 19:00.**

### Grupo B

Sesión de pósteres 3 (Grupo B), 17 de junio, 17:30-18:30, Pabellón 4

Sesión de pósteres 4 (Grupo B), 18 de junio, 12:30-14:00, Pabellón 4

Pueden colocar su póster en el panel **el miércoles 17 de junio por la mañana** y deberán retirarlo **el jueves 18 de junio por la tarde antes de las 17:30.**

Cada panel tendrá un número específico. Asegúrense de colocar su póster en el panel

cuyo número corresponda al número asignado a su presentación.

## Salas de oración

La sala de oración se encuentra en la sala 1.09 de la primera planta.

## Sala de lactancia/ descanso

La sala de lactancia/descanso se encuentra en la sala 1.14.

## Cambios en el programa

Los organizadores no asumen ninguna responsabilidad por posibles cambios en el programa debidos a circunstancias externas o imprevistas.

## Inscripción y distribución de bolsas

El horario de inscripción es el siguiente:

<b>Sábado, 13 de junio</b>	13:00 - 19:00
<b>Domingo, 14 de junio</b>	10:00 - 19:30
<b>Lunes a jueves, 15 a 18 de junio</b>	07:30 - 17:30

La reimpresión de la acreditación en caso de pérdida u olvido tiene un coste administrativo de 10 EUR.

Cada asistente con inscripción completa (acompañantes, expositores y pases de un día no incluidos) puede recoger una bolsa del Congreso en el mostrador de bolsas que hay en el vestíbulo tras escanear su acreditación.

## Política sobre el consumo de tabaco

Está terminantemente prohibido en todo el recinto del Congreso.



## Sala de previsualización de diapositivas

Si tiene diapositivas preparadas para su presentación o taller, le rogamos que se las entregue a los técnicos en la sala de previsualización de diapositivas con la mayor antelación posible, y a más tardar dos horas antes del inicio de la sesión correspondiente. Todas las presentaciones para las sesiones de la mañana deben entregarse el día anterior.

La sala de previsualización de diapositivas se encuentra en **la sala 1.10**, primera planta. El horario de apertura es el siguiente:

<b>Domingo, 14 de junio</b>	14:00 - 19:00
<b>Lunes, 15 de junio</b>	07:30 - 18:30
<b>Martes, 16 de junio</b>	07:30 - 18:30
<b>Miércoles, 17 de junio</b>	07:30 - 18:30
<b>Jueves, 18 de junio</b>	08:00 - 17:30

## Impuestos

El IVA está incluido en la mayoría de los precios mostrados.

- **23 % (tipo general):** se aplica a la mayoría de bienes y servicios (electrónica, ropa, etc.).
- **13 % (tipo intermedio):** generalmente se aplica a restaurantes, algunos alimentos y ciertos servicios.
- **6 % (tipo reducido):** se aplica a bienes esenciales como alimentos básicos, libros, medicamentos y transporte público.

## Taxis y transporte

NO habrá servicio de autobús lanzadera entre los hoteles y el recinto.

En Lisboa, es fácil encontrar taxis cerca del Centro de Congresos de Lisboa y se pueden parar en la calle o en las paradas de taxi cercanas. La mayoría de los taxis son de color *beige* o negro y verde y usan taxímetro; asegúrese de que el conductor lo active al inicio del viaje. Para mayor comodidad, también puede usar aplicaciones como Uber o Bolt.

## Propinas

En Lisboa, dar propina no es obligatorio, pero se agradece. En los restaurantes, es común redondear la cuenta o dejar entre un 5 % y un 10 % como muestra de agradecimiento por un buen servicio.

## Recinto

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## Helpful phrases

English	Français	Español	Português
Hi / Hello	Salut / Bonjour	Hola	Olá
Goodbye	Au revoir	Adiós	Adeus
How are you?	Comment allez-vous?	¿Cómo está?	Como está?
I'm good / well	Je vais bien	Estoy bien	Estou bem
See you again!	À bientôt!	Nos vemos en otra oportunidad	Até breve!
Delicious	Délicieux	Delicioso	Delicioso
Good / beautiful	Bon / beau	Bueno / bonito	Bom / bonito
Very good / amazing	Très bon / excellent	Muy bueno / asombroso	Muito bom / incrível
Please help	Merci de m'aider	Por favor, ayúdeme	Por favor, ajude-me
Thank you	Merci	Gracias	Obrigado / Obrigada
Good morning	Bonjour	Buenos días	Bom dia
Good evening	Bonsoir	Buenas tardes	Boa tarde
Good night	Bonne nuit	Buenas noches	Boa noite
How much is it?	Combien ça coûte ?	¿Qué precio tiene?	Quanto custa?

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