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Friday, 20 September 2024

08:30 - 09:30 Registration

09:30 - 10:30 **Opening: Building the case for reproductive choice: what does choice really mean?**
Aula QA
Chairs: Nausikaä Martens (Belgium) & Deborah Bateson (Australia)

- Welcoming word of the president – Nausikaä Martens (Belgium)
- What does choice really mean? - Bela Ganatra (Switzerland)
- Response from FIAPAC - Deborah Bateson (Australia)
- Musical entertainment by Eistear (Belgium)

10:30 - 11:00 **Refreshments, exhibition and poster viewing**
Exhibit area

11:30 - 12:30 **Plenary Session 1: Making the case for abortion rights**
Aula QA
Chair: Ann Furedi (United Kingdom)

- The Global Policy Landscape - Alanna Galati (United States of America)
- The Economic justice - Ernestina Coast (United Kingdom)
- The Medical case - Catriona Melville (Australia)
- The Humanitarian case - Lucy O'Connell (South Africa)

- The Legal case - Fien De Meyer (Belgium)
- Panel discussion with speakers and participants - moderator Ann Furedi (United Kingdom)
- Close and question - Ann Furedi (United Kingdom)

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch, exhibition and poster presentations
Exhibit area

12:45 – 13:45 Sponsored Lunch session - Nordic Pharma - Providers' Perspective in
Aula QA Early Medical Abortion

Chair: Aubert Agostini (France)

- VEMA (Very Early Medical Abortion) - Results from the First Large Randomized Controlled Trial - Kristina Gemzell – Danielsson (Sweden)
- Rhesus Prophylaxis (Anti-D) in Early Abortion - Where is the Evidence? - Christian Fiala (Austria)

14:00 - 15:30 Concurrent sessions 1 - 4

Aula QA CS 1 - Free communications

Chairs: Françoise Dedrie (Belgium) & Raina Brethouwer (Netherlands)

- FC01 - Abortion access for underserved groups: a national program to support health care professional practice - Martha Paynter (Canada)
- FC02 - The Repro Uncensored coalition: Fighting digital suppression of abortion information - Venny Ala-Siurua (Canada)
- FC03 - Contraceptive use and subsequent pregnancies 12 months following post-abortion placement of intrauterine devices: Secondary outcomes from a randomized controlled trial of placement within 48 hours vs. interval placement at 2-4 weeks after complete abortion. - Niklas Envall (Sweden)
- FC04 - Effectiveness of a 24-hour compared to a 48-hour interval between mifepristone and misoprostol in abortion at 9 to 20 gestational weeks: an international randomized controlled non-inferiority trial - Margit Endler (Sweden)
- FC05 - Long-term impact of unintended pregnancies carried to term on mothers and children - Wieke Beumer (Netherlands)
- FC06 - Evaluating clinician vs. non-clinician screening models for no-test medical abortion: impact on ultrasound use, safety and waiting-time-to-treatment - Hannah McCulloch (United Kingdom)
- FC07 - Origin of "Conscientious Objection" in Health Care: How Care Denials Became Enshrined into Law Because of Abortion – Joyce Arthur (Canada)

Aula QB CS 2 - Supporting effective contraception choices

Chair: Nausikaä Martens (Belgium)

- How to deal with disinformation about hormonal contraception - Christian Fiala (Austria)
- Tools for effective contraception counseling - Sarah Hulsmans (Belgium)

- Effective use of 'natural methods' - Kristina Gemzell–Danielsson (Sweden) supported by Natural Cycles

Aula QC CS 3 – Updates on VEMA

Chair: Susanne Sjöström (Sweden) & Alicia Baier (Germany)

- Risks and outcome of treatment depending on baseline - Karin Brandell (Sweden)
- Very early abortion with uterine aspiration: pros/cons and patient access implications - Maureen Baldwin (United States of America)
- IPANEMA: Ibuprofen for PAiN during Early Medical Abortion – a FIAPAC/Exelgyn funded study - John Reynolds Wright (UK)

Aula QD CS 4 – Diversity in Legal and practical Approaches to abortion in the world

Chairs: Bojana Pinter (Slovenia) & Cristian Furau (Romania)

Panel Discussion with:

- Ana Mitrović Jovanović (Serbia)
- Antonina Lewandowska (Poland)
- Angel Foster (Canada)
- Isabel Stabile (Malta)
- Gabie Raven (Netherlands, Germany)

D.0.05 Essentials in abortion care 1: Pre/post-abortion care

Chair: Patricia Lohr (United Kingdom) & Mirella Parachini (Italy)

- Basics of a pre-abortion consultation and respectful care - Jayne Kavanagh (United Kingdom)
- Consultation via telemedicine and screening for medication abortion without ultrasound - Elizabeth Raymond (United States of America)
- Post-abortion care and contraception - Patricia Lohr (United Kingdom)
- Q&A

**15:30 – 16:00 Refreshments, exhibition and poster viewing
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16:00 - 17:30 Plenary Session 2: Reproductive choices in a digital world

Aula QA Chairs: Margit Endler (Sweden) & Susanne Sjöström (Sweden)

- Positioning SRHR in a new digital world - Margit Endler (Sweden)
- The Legal Landscape of Telemedical Abortion - Rebecca Gomperts (Netherlands)
- The role of artificial intelligence for better or worse in SRHR - Lindsay Balfour (United Kingdom)

Video Doctors for Choice

18:00 – 19:30 General Assembly of FIAPAC (members only)

Aula QA

Saturday, 21 September 2024

09:00 - 10:30 Plenary Session 3: Blurring the lines between contraception and abortion

Aula QA Chair: Deborah Bateson (Australia)

- Setting the scene: What the science tells us - Kristina Gemzell – Danielsson (Sweden)
- Observational trials, what are they showing in Moldova & challenges of the once-a-week pill - Rebecca Gomperts (Netherlands)
- Mifi10 as EC what do we know - Lester Chinery (Switzerland)
- How do we understand the practice of menstrual regulation: Examples around the Globe - Angela Dawson (Australia)
- Navigating the Complexities as a Community - Kelly Cleland (United States of America)
- What women want - Clare Murphy (United Kingdom)

10:30 - 11:00 Refreshments, exhibition and poster presentations

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11:00 - 12:30 Concurrent sessions 5 - 7

Aula QA CS 5 - Free communications

Chairs: Margit Endler (Sweden) & Gillian Gibson (New Zealand)

- FC08 - Whether a shout or a whisper: Abortion storytelling as a catalyst for social change in Germany, Sweden, and the United States - Frederika Schulte (Germany)
- FC09 - General Practitioner Experiences of Implementing Community Medical Abortion Model in Ireland - Mary Favier (Ireland)
- FC10 - The behavioral health repercussions of accessing abortions in a post-Roe world: a cross-sectional study - Rachel Paquette (United States of America)
- FC11 - Examining Progress and Obstacles in Enhancing Safe Abortion Services in Nepal: An Analytical Assessment of Evidence from 2002 to 2022 - Mahesh Puri (Nepal)
- FC12 - Safety and accuracy of dating unwanted pregnancies and detecting ectopic pregnancy without using ultrasonography - Janina Kaislasuo (Finland)
- FC13 - Inspiring the next generation of abortion care providers and future abortion champions - Jayne Kavanagh (United Kingdom)
- FC14 - Out of control! – how self-managed abortion and feminist organizing are challenging power structures - Lucía Berro Pizzarossa (Uruguay)

Aula QB CS 6 – Pain management

Chair: Patricia Lohr (United Kingdom) & Nausikaä Martens (Belgium)

- Pain management with IUD insertion - Anne Verougstraete (Belgium)
- Conscious sedation - Patricia Lohr (United Kingdom)

- Abortion doula - Zachi Brewster (Italy/ United Kingdom)
- Digital sedation - Liese Boudry (Belgium)
- Q&A

Aula QC CS 7 - ANCIC / REVHO sponsored session

Changes in abortion care and abortion laws in France

Chairs: Emmanuelle Lhomme (France) & Philippe Faucher (France)

- Surgical abortion provided by midwives in France - Delphine Giraud (France) and Thisbé Bazin (France)
- The Enshrinement of Abortion in the French Constitution: A Vote for His (Her) Story? - Diane Roman (France)
- Surgical abortion under local anesthesia outside hospitals: 8 years after the French law - Laurence Wittke (France)

Aula QD Essentials in abortion care 2: Medical abortion

Chair: Helena Kopp Kallner (Sweden)

- Historical perspective - mifepristone - Andre Ulman (France)
- Medical abortion up to 12 weeks - John Reynolds Wright (United Kingdom)
- Medical abortion after 12 weeks' gestation - Ninni Mannenberg (Sweden)
- Q&A

D.0.05 Debate session 1: Is there a need for legal time limits?

Chairs: Ann Furedi (United Kingdom) & Gily Coene (Belgium)

- Introduction - Freddy Mortier (Belgium)
- Exchanges of opinions with and between audience

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12:30 -13:30 Lunch session - "How far is too far?" Creating an evidence base for the safe provision of abortion among people living far from emergency services.
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Chair: Kristina Gemzell-Danielsson (Sweden)

Speakers: Wendy Norman (Canada), Danielle Mazza (Australia), John Reynolds Wright (United Kingdom)

13:30 – 14:00 Joint Lunch session – European Society of Contraception and Reproductive Health (ESC) & FIAPAC
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Chairs: Bojana Pinter (Slovenia) & Nausikaä Martens (Belgium)

- Contraception counseling: when, how, and what - Cristian Furau (Romania)

14:00 - 15:30 Concurrent sessions 8 - 10

Aula QA CS 8 - Free communications (x 7)

Chairs: Choon-Kang Walther (Switzerland) & Jana Maeffer (Germany)

- FC15 - #IamJustyna – the pan-European and global mobilization to protect providers and supporters of self-managed from criminalization. - Justyna Wydrzynska
- FC16 - The Story of a Small NGO meeting Colossal Needs - Natalie Psaila Stabile (Malta)
- FC17 - What do Maltese doctors think about abortion? - Andrea Dibben (Malta)
- FC18 - Advance Provision of Abortion Pills in Poland - Hazal Atay (France)
- FC19 - The impact of intimate partner violence on post-abortion mental health: observations from an abortion accompaniment service - Jordi Baroja Benlliure (Spain)
- FC20 - Barriers preventing gynecologists from performing abortions in Germany - Rona Torenz (Germany)
- FC21 - Intrauterine device placement within 48 hours vs interval placement at 2-4 weeks after second trimester medical abortion: a randomized controlled trial - Niklas Envall (Sweden)

Aula QB CS 9 - Abortion beyond 1st trimester

Chairs: Matthew Reeves (United States of America) & Patricia Lohr (United Kingdom)

- Later abortion initiative D&E after 24 weeks curriculum – Monica Dragoman (United States of America) - Susan Yanow (United States of America)
- 2nd tri abortion in humanitarian sessions - Maura Daly (Netherlands)
- RCOG update on fetal awareness - Maria Fitzgerald (United Kingdom)
- Outpatient 2nd and 3rd-trimester abortion methods - Matthew Reeves (United States of America)
- Q&A

Aula QC CS 10 - USA past Roe vs Wade

Chairs: Ann Furedi (United Kingdom)

- Abortion in the United States after the fall of Roe - Elizabeth Sully (United States of America)
- Breaking research with Ulipristal and the reaction in the US - Beverly Winikoff (United States of America)

Aula QD Essentials in abortion care 3: Surgical abortion

Chairs: Bojana Pinter (Slovenia)

- Historical perspective - vacuum aspiration - Bojana Pinter (Slovenia)
- Vacuum Aspiration and Comprehensive Pain Management in Surgical Abortion - Christian Fiala (Austria)
- Dilatation and evacuation - Ed Dorman (United Kingdom)
- Q&A

D.0.05 Debate session 2: Abortion for psychiatric reasons

Chairs: Ann Furedi (United Kingdom) & Gily Coene (Belgium)

- Introduction and presentation of case studies - Laurence Weets (Belgium)
- Exchanges with and between audience - moderator: Gily Coene (Belgium)

15:30 - 16:00 Refreshments, exhibition
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16:00 - 17:30 Plenary session 4: Providing inclusive abortion care

Aula QA Chairs: Kirsten Black (Australia) & Gily Coene (Belgium)

- Person-centred abortion care: global evidence - Angela Dawson (Australia)
- Inclusive care for LGBTQI people - John Reynolds Wright (United Kingdom)
- Approaches to inclusive abortion care for migrants who may have experienced Trauma - Fabienne Richard (Belgium)
- Clinical Excellence - Michael Nevill (United Kingdom)
- Post-Abortion Care in Restricted Contexts - Joyce Sakala (Zambia)

17:30 - 18:00 Prizes & Closing remarks

Aula QA Chairs: Nausikaä Martens (Belgium) & Deborah Bateson (Australia)

- Closing Remarks - Petra De Sutter (Belgium) Deputy Prime Minister from Belgium

18:00 Reception
Exhibit area

Sunday, 22 September 2024

09:00 – 12:00 Post-conference session - Francophone session

Chair: Nathalie Trignol-Viguié

Speakers: Lori Savignac-Krikorian, Noémie Leveque

Retour en français sur une sélection d'interventions du congrès ainsi que les moments forts.
 Présentations et échanges