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Registration



Please register by email at:
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Please let us know by e-mail whether you would like to attend
a) only the teaching course (16 – 17.10.26)
or
b) Hands-on course & teaching course (15 –17.10.26)

Registration types and fees

	AEPC Junior	AEPC Member	Non-Member
Hands-On 15 th October 2026	FULLY BOOKED, WAITING LIST AVAILABLE		
Course 16 th – 17 th October 2026	350 €	600 €	650 €

Venue



Generali and Ford Rooms in Super C
with view over Aachen Old Town
Building: 1040
Templergraben 57
52062 Aachen

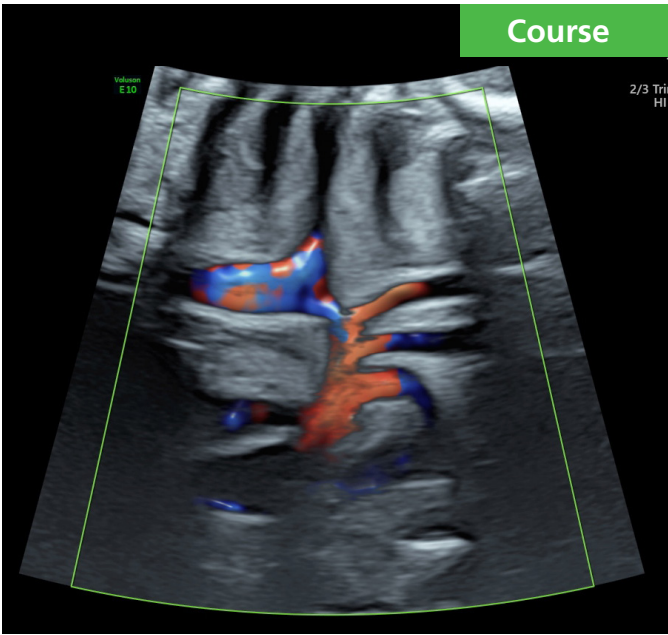
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Fetal Cardiology Teaching Course

16th – 17th October 2026
Aachen, Germany

The course is certified by **DEGUM**



Dear Colleagues,

The **AEPC Fetal Cardiology Working Group** invites you to the **AEPC Fetal Cardiology Teaching Course**, which will take place from **16th – 17th October 2026 in Aachen, Germany**.

This course will cover **both fundamental and advanced aspects** of fetal cardiology, including the diagnosis of congenital heart defects, intrauterine treatment options, counselling, perinatal and postnatal management. It is **designed for paediatric cardiologists** in training or those aiming to specialize in fetal cardiology, as well as **maternal-fetal medicine specialists and gynaecologists** with a special interest in fetal medicine.

On the afternoon of 15th October, a hands-on training course in small groups, led by internationally recognised experts, will be offered. Participation in this session is limited to ensure optimal learning conditions.

The scientific programme will also feature recent advances in **fetal cardiac MRI** and the emerging **role of artificial intelligence** in fetal echocardiography.

Participants are warmly invited and encouraged to **submit and present interesting clinical cases** which will form the basis for interactive discussion during the course. Cases can be presented as a quiz (Puzzle the Expert) – the best presentation wins a prize.

We would be delighted to welcome you to **Aachen**, located at the tri-border area of Germany, the Netherlands, and Belgium, and renowned for its beautiful historic old town and the **UNESCO World Heritage Site of Aachen Cathedral**.

On behalf of the scientific and organizing committees
And the Fetal Working Group of the German Society of Pediatric Cardiology DGPK,

Ulrike Herberg

Univ.-Prof. Dr. med. Ulrike Herberg
Director of the Department of
Paediatric Cardiology and
Congenital Heart Disease

Friday, 16th October 2026

08:00	REGISTRATION
08:30	Welcome, <i>U. Herberg</i>
08:45	Hemodynamics of the fetal cardiovascular system, <i>K. Linden</i>
09:05	Transitional circulation, <i>U. Herberg</i>
09:35	Fetal echocardiographic examination of the normal heart, <i>G. Sharland</i>
10:00	Why should we use extracardiac Doppler in fetal echocardiography?, <i>C. Enzenberger</i>
10:20	COFFEE BREAK
10:50	Live scanning, <i>C. Enzenberger</i>
11:20	Early echo – What can we see, what can we predict?, <i>J. Degenhardt</i>
11:45	Case Heterotaxy, <i>A. Kovacevic</i>
12:00	How to improve detection rates? National and international perspectives – How can we learn from our neighbours?, <i>M. Haak</i>
12:35	LUNCH With Industry Exhibition and Workshop Artificial Intelligence, <i>A. Weichert</i>
13:35	Conotruncal defects I (TGA) – Red flags, counselling, perinatal management, detection rate, <i>A. Grzyb</i>
14:05	Case CCTGA, <i>K. Linden</i>
14:20	Conotruncal defects II (DORV) – What is important? – Morphological aspects, genetics, counselling and postnatal consequences, <i>J. Dangel</i>

14:45 Conotruncal defects III (TOF) – Fetal echocardiography and perinatal management, *U. Herberg*

15:20 COFFEE BREAK

15:50 Fetal MRI – Methods, *L. Meyer, D. Gulla*

16:00 Fetal MRI – Current approaches and clinical implications, *C. Hart & M. von der Stück*

16:35 Fetal systemic and portal venous anomalies: Embryology-imaging correlations and perinatal management, *A. Kolesznik*

17:00 Get a coffee and puzzle the experts – With cases from the participants

Best presentation wins a prize

Saturday, 17th October 2026

08:30 Vascular rings: Correlation of prenatal imaging, morphology and postnatal findings, *T. Vigneswaran*

08:50 Vascular rings: What is optimal postnatal management from the surgical view, *A. Rüffer*

09:10 Coarctation and interrupted aorta arch: Fetal echocardiography, the role of maternal hyperoxygenation and perinatal management, postnatal interventions, *G. Tuo*

09:40 COFFEE BREAK

10:10 Genetics in fetal heart disease and consequences for the outcome – Region specific and international perspectives, *M. Haak*

10:40 Counselling as an important task in fetal cardiology, *A. Kovacevic*

11:10 Left heart obstruction: HLHS, borderline left ventricle, Shone’s, critical AoS; role of prenatal interventions, *A. Moon-Grady*

11:45 Roundtable, *A. Tulzer, T. Sarkola, J. Dangel, A. Moon-Grady, A. Rüffer, U. Herberg*

12:05 LUNCH
With Industry Exhibition and Workshop VAD in Pediatric Cardiology, *A. Rüffer*

13:05 Pulmonary stenosis and -atresia with intact ventricular septum – Including prenatal interventions and outcomes, *A. Moon-Grady*

13:35 Ebstein’s anomaly and tricuspid valve dysplasia – Fetal echocardiography, *G. Sharland*

14:00 Case
Perinatal Management of Ebstein’s anomaly, *K. Linden*

14:15 COFFEE BREAK

14:45 Fetal Tachyarrhythmias – Diagnosis and management, *S. Clur*

15:10 Fetal Bradycardia - Diagnosis and management, *A. Wacker-Gussmann*

15:40 Discussion and closing remarks
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Discussions will take place in between presentations.

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