

17th Pisa International Diabetic Foot Course

2026, September 30th - October 3rd

PROGRAMME DAY 1

Wednesday, September 30th

Introduction / Neuropathy / Charcot

08:15 - 08:30 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	Welcome and Introduction	A. Piaggese, Italy
08:30 - 09:30 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	EWMA Session - The DF In Europe today	Chair: J. L. Lazaro Martinez, Spain
08:30 - 08:50	A map of DF care in Europe	A. Piaggese, Italy
08:50 - 09:10	The standard of care for DF in real life	
09:10 - 09:30	A Continent-wide collection of data on DF	J. L. Lazaro Martinez, Spain
09:30 - 10:30 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	Neuropathy and Charcot's Foot: Pathogenesis and Diagnosis	Chair: N. Petrova, UK
09:30 - 10:00	From plantar ulceration to Charcot's foot: the complex relation between neuropathy and the foot	N. Petrova, UK
10:00 - 10:30	Imaging the neuropathic foot	G. Aringhieri, Italy
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 - 13:00 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	Neuropathy and Charcot's foot: Therapy	Chair: L. Dalla Paola, Italy
11:00 - 11:30	The biomechanic of the neurophatic foot	C. Giacomozzi, Italy
11:30 - 12:00	Offloading the neuropathic foot	E. Iacopi, Italy
12:00 - 12:30	The role of the podiatrist in the management of the neuropathic foot	C. McIntosh, Ireland
12:30 - 13:00	The Surgiical management of the Charcot's foot	L. Dalla Paola, Italy
13:00 - 14:30	Lunch	
14:30 - 17:30	Practical Sessions: Hands-on workshops <i>(participants will be divided in four groups rotating on four different settings lasting 45' each)</i>	
<i>Acquario room</i>	A. Screening lab Risk assessment and patients data management: VPT – ABPI – TcPO2 – Thermal imaging	L. Ambrosini Nobili, Italy L. Pieruzzi, Italy
<i>Enoteca room</i>	B. Offloading	A. Piaggese, Italy
<i>Suite room</i>	C. Local therapy	E. Iacopi, Italy E. Leporati, Italy
<i>Cristallo room</i>	D. The biomechanical lab	C. Giacomozzi, Italy
18:30 - 19:30	Welcome cocktail at the Hotel San Ranieri	



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PROGRAMME DAY 2

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Infection		
09:00 - 11:00 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	Diagnosis of Infection	Chair: E. Senneville, France
09:00 - 09:30	Clinical presentation of infection in the DF	F. Giangreco, Italy
09:30 - 10:00	The diagnosis of osteomyelitis in DF	J. L. Lazaro Martinez, Spain
10:00 - 10:30	The multi-drug resistance in diabetic foot infection	
10:30 - 11:00	Co-morbidities in Diabetic Foot Syndrome	M. Meloni, Italy
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 - 13:00 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	Therapy of Infections	Chair: J. L. Lazaro Martinez, Spain
11:30 - 12:00	Antibiotic therapy	E. Senneville, France
12:00 - 13:00	The time-dependent dimension of the Diabetic Foot Syndrome	C. Goretti, Italy
13:00 - 14:30	Lunch	
14:30 - 16:30	Practical Sessions: Hands-on workshops <i>(participants will be divided in 2 groups rotating on 2 different settings lasting 55' each)</i>	
<i>Cristallo room</i>	A. Negative pressure wound therapy	E. Iacopi, Italy E. Leporati, Italy
<i>Acquario room</i>	B. New Technologies	A. Piaggese, Italy
17:30 - 18:30	Gelato Tasting	

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PROGRAMME DAY 3

Friday, October 2nd

09:00 - 11:00 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	From Sub-clinical to Chronic Limb-Threatening Ischaemia (CLTI)	Chair:
09:00 - 09:30	Clinical presentations of ischaemia in the DF	R. Ferraresi, Italy
09:30 - 10:00	Ultrasound in the diagnosis of lower limb ischaemia	V. Napoli, Italy
10:00 - 10:30	Imaging and pathology of CLTI	
10:30 - 11:00	The customization of therapeutic approach on the basis of the diagnostic work-up	
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 - 13:00 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	The management of lower limb ischemia	Chair: R. Ferraresi, Italy
11:30 - 12:00	The integrated medical approach to the ischemic DF	L. Pieruzzi, Italy
12:00 - 12:30	The optimal revascularization vs the feasible revascularization	L. Crocetti, Italy
12:30 - 13:00	Surgical solutions for CLTI in the 2020s	
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 16:30 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	From the cath lab: live endovascular revascularization of the critically ischemic foot/ From the OR of the vascular surgery department: live surgical by-pass	Discussant: A. Piaggese, Italy
18:00 - 18:30	Bus transfer to Piazza dei Miracoli	
18:30 - 19:30	Guided visit to the Piazza dei Miracoli One-hour tour around the Baptistery, the Cathedral and the Leaning Tower of Pisa	
19:30 - 23:00	Course dinner at Grand Hotel Duomo	

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PROGRAMME DAY 4

Saturday, October 3rd

Local care / Surgery

09:00 - 10:30 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	The local management of DFU	Chair: A. Piaggese, Italy
09:00 - 09:30	Why we debride? The science behind the practice	V. Dini, Italy
09:30 - 10:00	Evidence-based local management of DFU	E. Iacopi
10:00 - 10:30	New technologies for tissue damage repair	A. Piaggese, Italy
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 - 13:00 <i>Cristallo Room</i>	From the Operating Room of the DF Section: Live surgical interventions on DF (with interactive audiovisual connection with Hotel S. Ranieri)	Operators: C. Goretti, Italy L. Pieruzzi, Italy Discussants: E. Iacopi, Italy A. Piaggese, Italy
13:00 -	Lunch and Arrivederci	

