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Saturday 9 September									
Time CEST	Session title	Summary	Session type	Patient role	Disease/topic areas	Room	Link for more info	Live streamed ?	
09:15-10:45	Working against tobacco and air pollution, the other big pandemic	<p>This session will look at ways to help people overcome their addiction to tobacco and how we can deal with environmental issues that harm respiratory health. It will particularly focus on how primary healthcare can help (healthcare provided in the community, for example by family doctors). It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how public health departments and politicians also play an essential role in finding solutions • how burning biomass, pollution, and carbon emissions can affect our lungs and overall health • whether vaping can be a helpful and safe way to quit smoking • the impact of extreme environmental events on our lungs. 	Primary care		Air pollution Nicotine and tobacco	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15929	Yes	
09:15-10:45	Chinese programme 2023	<p>This session will cover important respiratory disease topics in Europe and China. It will be delivered in Mandarin with English translation. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how getting vaccinated can help protect against COVID-19 • the importance of screening for lung cancer and how it can detect the disease early for better treatment. • the current situation, recent advances and challenges in managing COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) in China • how tele-health technology is being used to manage COPD, making it more convenient and accessible for patients. 	Language session		COPD COVID-19 Lung cancer	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16351	Yes	
11:15-12:45	Conditions we are just dealing with the tip of	<p>This session will discuss health conditions that are often not well handled in primary healthcare (healthcare provided in the community, for example by family doctors). It will focus on sleep apnea, chronic cough and interstitial lung diseases, as well as the</p>	Primary care		Antibiotic resistance Chronic cough	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Pr	Yes	



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	the iceberg in primary care	<p>problem of antibiotic resistance. It will discuss ways to improve how we manage these conditions and provide tools for general practitioners and other primary care professionals. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • obstructive sleep apnea: how to easily identify and diagnose this condition in primary care settings • chronic cough: new algorithms that can help deal with this common condition more effectively • why it's crucial for primary care professionals to play a role in reducing antibiotic resistance • interstitial lung disease: the importance of considering this condition in primary care and not forgetting to think about it when diagnosing patients. 			<p>Interstitial lung disease</p> <p>Sleep apnea</p>		ogram/Session?e=379&session=15930	
11:15-12:45	French programme 2023	<p>This session will be delivered in French and translated into English. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the plans and commitments of the SPLF's (French Language Pulmonology Society) Strategic Orientation and Commitment Committee to improve lung care • the latest recommendations from the European Respiratory Society and the European Society of Cardiology in 2022 for diagnosing pulmonary hypertension • how doctors work together to diagnose and treat pulmonary embolism during pregnancy, ensuring the best care for both the mother and the baby • how pulmonary embolism is managed, including where patients receive their treatment and support • the conceptual framework of One Health and the Exposome and how it relates to lung health • pollution and lung cancer. 	Language session		<p>Lung cancer</p> <p>Pulmonary embolism</p> <p>Pulmonary hypertension</p>	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Program/Session?e=379&session=15927	Yes
13:15-14:45	Italian programme 2023	<p>This session, delivered in Italian, will look at new treatments for chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases (COPD) and fibrotic lung diseases such as IPF. It will also discuss environmental and job-</p>	Language session		COPD	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2	Yes



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		<p>related risk factors, and the use of disposable devices in treatment. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • factors from the environment and employment that can increase the chances of getting fibrotic lung diseases • the latest therapies that have been developed to treat fibrotic lung diseases • new treatments for chronic obstructive lung diseases • disposable devices used in a medical procedure called interventional pulmonology. The session will look at how these single-use devices are helpful in medical procedures, but also consider their impact on the environment. 			Pulmonary fibrosis		/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15926	
15:15-16:45	Spanish/Portuguese programme 2023	<p>This session, delivered in Spanish and Portuguese, will explore how biological therapies can be helpful in treating major respiratory diseases that are not caused by infections.</p> <p>It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how biological therapy can benefit people with severe asthma • the latest developments in treatments for lung cancer • how biological treatments can be used to improve the management of COPD • how biological treatments are being used to treat interstitial lung diseases. 	Language session		<p>COPD</p> <p>Interstitial lung disease</p> <p>Lung cancer</p> <p>Severe asthma</p>	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15925	Yes

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Sunday 10 September									
Time CEST	Session title	Summary	Session type	Patient role	Disease/topic areas	Room	Link for more info	Live streamed ?	
08:30-10:00	Airway diseases	<p>This session will discuss different types of airway diseases and the specific characteristics they have. It will outline new research that has helped to understand the root causes of these diseases. The session will also look at newly developed treatments based on studying people over time, and how these studies have contributed to what we currently know the diseases. The session will take a close look at four main studies that have followed people over many years and see what we can learn from their setup and results. These studies are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Unbiased Biomarkers for the Prediction of Respiratory Disease Outcomes (U-BIOPRED) cohort: This study uses systems biology to uncover the mechanisms of severe asthma. • The COPDGene® Study: This research looks at the genetic factors that play a role in chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). • The ATLANTIS study: Assessment of the involvement of small airways in asthma: This study examines how the small airways are affected in people with asthma. • The NOVEL observational longiTudinal studY (NOVELTY): This study gathers real-world evidence on the development of asthma and/or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). 	State of the art		Asthma, including severe asthma COPD	Gold	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15936	Yes	
08:30-10:00	Progressive pulmonary fibrosis: challenges and controversies	<p>This session will focus on progressive pulmonary fibrosis (PPF). It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how PPF progresses • challenges in diagnosing PPF and using biomarkers to track its progression over time 	Symposium	Includes a patient perspective	Progressive pulmonary fibrosis	Silver	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Se	Yes	



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the cellular and molecular reasons behind the progression of pulmonary fibrosis the different treatment options for PPF and the challenges doctors may face while treating it. 					ssion?e=379&session=15282	
08:30-10:00	Burden of tobacco farming and use of electronic nicotine delivery systems on the environment and occupational health	<p>This session will discuss the increase in children and teenagers using electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS) such as e-cigarettes, and explore why and how the tobacco industry targets young people. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the health effects of e-liquids, flavours, and other chemicals in ENDS the environmental damage caused by tobacco farming and manufacturing the worldwide burden of tobacco use how the tobacco industry sometimes tries to present a false image of being environmentally friendly (this is known as "greenwashing"). 	Hot Topics		Nicotine and tobacco	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16325	Yes
08:30-10:00	War, climate change, migration and respiratory infections	<p>This session will look at challenges and threats the world is currently facing, and how we can use adaptive strategies - approaches that enable communities to respond to changing circumstances in their environment - to reduce health risks. It will also discuss policies that can help people move more easily, improve their well-being, and boost social and economic development in the places they come from and the places they go to.</p> <p>Specifically, it will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how acute respiratory infections affect people living in crisis-affected areas the impact of climate change on respiratory infections how climate changes and migration can affect respiratory infections in children 	Symposium		Climate change Lung infections Migration	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15279	Yes



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the respiratory health of people who have migrated to new places. 						
08:30-10:00	Lung consequences of the obesity epidemic from children to the elderly	<p>This session will discuss obesity and how it can harm health. It will give an overview of how big a problem obesity has become, and how it affects health, particularly the impacts on the lungs and heart, from childhood onwards.</p> <p>It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the link between the immune system, obesity, and asthma childhood obesity and its connection to sleep problems why childhood obesity can lead to lung diseases how our metabolism influences asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) throughout our lives. 	Symposium		Asthma COPD Obesity Sleep and breathing disorders	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15227	Yes
08:30-10:00	Evolving concepts in the management of nonsmall cell lung cancer	<p>This session will look at the latest advances in the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) and pleural mesothelioma.</p> <p>It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> deciding between the new and established treatment options before and after surgery for lung cancer customised surgical approaches for lung cancer using a combination of therapies to treat NSCLC that has spread to other areas in the body exploring innovative methods to manage pleural effusion (fluid buildup) in lung cancer. 	Symposium		Lung cancer Mesothelioma	Coral 1	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15281	Yes
10:15-11:45	Disease modification in pulmonary arterial hypertension	<p>This session explores better ways to treat pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH). It will cover:</p>	Hot Topics		Pulmonary hypertension	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15281	Yes



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what it means to 'modify the disease' in PAH - so understanding what changes we need to see to consider a treatment as effective in PAH • investigating whether the existing drugs approved for PAH are actually able to modify the course of the disease • an update on the drug Sotatercept and its potential in treating PAH. • exploring new and innovative approaches to treat PAH by targeting different pathways in the body that might help reverse the harmful changes happening in the lungs. 					ssion?e=379&session=16323	
10:15-11:45	Cystic fibrosis in the era of highly effective cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator modulator therapy	<p>In this session, experts in the field of cystic fibrosis will come together to talk about the latest developments in treating the condition using a highly effective therapy called cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) modulator therapy. It will look at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how CFTR modulator therapy is transforming the way cystic fibrosis is treated • addressing the needs of people with cystic fibrosis now that effective CFTR modulator therapy is available • exploring the future of cystic fibrosis treatment, including new approaches to understand and tackle the condition • discussing how clinical trials play a crucial role in advancing cystic fibrosis treatment and what the future holds in this regard. 	Journal session		Cystic fibrosis	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15924	Yes
10:15-11:45	Obesity and the lung: from wakefulness to sleep	<p>This session will discuss the latest research related to obesity and how it affects our ability to breathe properly, both during wakefulness and during sleep. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how obesity affects lung function and causes breathing problems in people of all ages, from childhood to adulthood 	Symposium		Obesity Obesity hypo-ventilation syndrome	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15924	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understanding how the mechanics of our lungs and chest change in obesity, and how this affects our ability to breathe properly • exploring the relationship between the bacteria in our gut and lung diseases caused by obesity • the most up-to-date studies on how to manage and treat obesity hypoventilation syndrome, where obesity leads to breathing difficulties during sleep. 			Sleep disordered breathing		79&session=15223	
10:15-11:45	Infectious and noninfectious complications of immunosuppressed patients	<p>This session will investigate some of the complications that can occur in immunosuppressed patients – those with weakened immune systems. It will also look at ways in which these complications can be remedied. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the challenges of using a treatment called phage therapy to treat respiratory infections caused by bacteria that are resistant to multiple drugs. Phage therapy involves using viruses that can specifically target and kill harmful bacteria • strategies to prevent and treat fungal infections in patients who have had organ or bone marrow transplants • the common causes and features of non-infectious complications, such as chronic lung allograft dysfunction and graft-versus-host disease (which can occur after a transplant) • both established and new ways of treating chronic lung problems and graft-versus-host disease. 	Symposium	Includes a patient perspective	<p>Chronic lung allograft dysfunction</p> <p>Graft-versus-host disease</p> <p>Lung infections</p> <p>Lung transplants</p>	Coral 1	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15228	Yes
10:30-11:15	Rising from the ashes: exploring the benefits and challenges of early mobilisation	<p>Early mobilisation is getting patients up and moving soon after surgery or a critical illness. In this session, two clinicians will debate the advantages and disadvantages of early mobilisation after acute respiratory failure. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the most recent research and evidence about the risks and benefits of early mobilisation after acute respiratory failure 	Pro-con debate		<p>Acute respiratory failure</p> <p>Rehabilitation</p>	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15228	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how early mobilisation affects the patients' health and overall well-being • how to put early mobilisation into action in real-life situations, such as how to choose the right patients, when to start, and what kind of exercises or treatments are suitable. 					79&session=16330	
13:45-15:15	Better outcomes for adults with chronic breathlessness: earlier diagnosis and management	<p>This session will look at the different stages of healthcare for people who have ongoing breathlessness, from the time they first seek medical attention to when they may require palliative care. The session will emphasise the importance of integrated care throughout this journey.</p> <p>It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how to diagnose and treat chronic breathlessness earlier • managing chronic breathlessness without relying solely on medication, including rehabilitation and a multidisciplinary approach • addressing specific issues related to complex breathlessness such as breathing pattern disorder, exercise-induced laryngeal obstruction, and excessive dynamic airway collapse • understanding what integrated breathlessness support services are and what components they should include. 	Symposium	Includes a patient perspective	Breathlessness	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15221	Yes
13:45-15:15	Acute respiratory distress syndrome: update and future treatment	<p>This session will discuss the latest advancements in treating acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS).</p> <p>It will cover four main topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the updated and more accurate way of defining ARDS • the different approaches and therapies that don't involve medications to help patients with ARDS 	Symposium	Patients were involved in the WEANSafe CRC	Acute respiratory distress syndrome Weaning from ventilation	Coral 1	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15222	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the medications currently used for ARDS and any promising new treatments that are being developed a clinical research collaboration (CRC) called WEANSafe that is addressing ways to help patients transition from using a mechanical ventilator to breathing on their own. 						
13:45-15:15	Air pollution, pollen and lung health in the climate change era	<p>This session will look at how air pollution and pollen in the environment can affect lung health. With climate change, there is an increase in diseases caused by these environmental factors, so it is essential for doctors and researchers to understand and address these issues.</p> <p>The session will discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> what we already know about pollen exposure, respiratory allergies, and asthma important insights for researchers and doctors on how to study short-term effects of pollen and other pollutants on our health the impact of air pollution on children's respiratory health how gender can influence the way our bodies respond to the effects of the environment and occupation on lung diseases. 	Symposium		Air pollution Allergies Asthma Climate change	Purple	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15242	Yes
15:30-17:00	An ageing lung: respiratory disease in the elderly	<p>This session will consider the effects of older age on lung health. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how our lung cells change as we get older how our breathing function is affected by aging age-related diseases and how they relate to chronic lung conditions the concept of frailty in patients with chronic lung diseases. 	Symposium		Frailty Older age	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15237	Yes

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15:30-17:00	Targeting treatable traits in severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease: a nonpharmacological approach	<p>The 'treatable traits' model is a way of personalising treatment for chronic lung disease. It recognises that not all people with lung disease are the same. Treatable traits are characteristics associated with a lung condition that can include physical, emotional and social factors such as anxiety, smoking and how well someone is able to manage their illness. This session looks at how to use treatable traits when treating COPD with a non-drug approach. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • home mechanical ventilation for stable and post-acute COPD: when and why this approach is used and how it can help • high-flow therapy for COPD: using this treatment both during acute care in the hospital and at home • innovative bronchoscopic treatments for COPD: new and advanced methods to manage the disease • how rehabilitation programs can be beneficial for people with more advanced COPD. 	Symposium	Includes a patient perspective	COPD	Coral 1	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15238	Yes
15:30-17:00	Pollution, climate changes and sustainable developments	<p>This session will look at pollution, climate changes, and their impact on our health. It will also consider how to create sustainable developments that help protect the environment and our well-being.</p> <p>The session will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the importance of fighting against air pollution and climate change for the health of our planet • the strong scientific evidence showing how air pollution affects the health of both children and adults • measuring and understanding the health problems caused by polluted air • the positive effects on lung health when urban areas have improved air quality. 	Symposium		Air pollution Climate change	Purple	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15931	Yes



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15:30-17:00	Community-acquired infections: what is changing?	<p>This session will provide updates on the development and treatment of lung infections. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how community-acquired pneumonia is changing, especially in the older population • the new challenges doctors face in treating pneumonia in patients with weakened immune systems • the importance of vaccines in reducing the impact of lung infections • the latest updates on managing pleural infections, including using new scoring systems and fibrinolytic agents (medications that help dissolve blood clots in the body). 	Hot topics		Lung infections	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16322	Yes
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Monday 11 September									
Time CEST	Session title	Summary	Session type	Patient role	Disease/topic areas	Room	Link for more info	Live streamed ?	
08:30-10:00	Management of adults with spontaneous pneumothorax/what's new in the management of severe community-acquired pneumonia	<p>This session will look at two recently published guidelines: the ERS/EACTS/ESTS clinical practice guidelines on adults with spontaneous pneumothorax and the ERS/ESICM/ESCMID/ALAT guidelines for the management of severe community-acquired pneumonia (sCAP). It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how doctors can treat spontaneous pneumothorax using medications and other non-surgical methods • when surgery might be necessary to treat spontaneous pneumothorax and what it involves • the latest information and approaches to managing severe community-acquired pneumonia 	Guidelines session		Severe community-acquired pneumonia Spontaneous pneumothorax	Gold	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16334	Yes	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> additional treatments or therapies that can complement the main treatments for severe community-acquired pneumonia. 						
08:30-10:00	Sleep and breathing disorders	<p>This session will outline how sleep-disordered breathing is related to heart and cardiovascular problems. It will share the latest information and research about this connection and how it affects people's health. The session will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> antihypertensive drugs vs. positive pressure: which treatment is better for reducing high blood pressure in people with sleep-disordered breathing. Antihypertensive drugs are medications that lower blood pressure, and positive pressure therapy involves using a machine to help with breathing during sleep whether using positive airway pressure therapy can have a meaningful impact on heart failure in people with sleep-disordered breathing whether sleep-related breathing problems can increase the risk of developing heart and cardiovascular issues new medications that can be used to treat sleep-disordered breathing, especially for patients with cardiovascular conditions. 	State of the art		Cardiovascular disease Sleep disordered breathing	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15952	Yes
08:30-10:00	Clinical challenges beyond guidelines	<p>This session will discuss some controversial issues related to certain guidelines in healthcare. It will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> look at why some aspects of these guidelines are controversial and might be disagreed upon by healthcare professionals outline data that supports the idea of not always following the current recommendations and consider alternative approaches propose evidence-based alternative management recommendations for doctors and specialists to consider 	Clinical cases		Air pollution Bronchiectasis Langerhans' cell histiocytosis Lung cancer	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15954	Yes



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> highlight areas of concern in these guidelines and where improvements might be needed emphasise the importance of further research in these areas to better understand and address the controversies and uncertainties. <p>Specifically, it will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> adult bronchiectasis environmental health prevention and air pollution standards Langerhans' cell histiocytosis in adults Stage I non-small cell lung cancer. 						
08:30-10:00	Exercise training, physical activity and self-management at home	<p>This session will outline important aspects of home-based care and pulmonary rehabilitation to help patients with their lung and breathing conditions while staying at home.</p> <p>It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how doctors and healthcare professionals assess patients to understand their condition and progress while receiving care and rehabilitation at home, and how they measure the outcomes or results of these interventions the importance of exercise and physical activity for patients with lung issues while they are at home how patients can learn to manage their condition at home, including self-care techniques and education about their health. 	Mini symposium		Pulmonary rehabilitation	Purple	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15948	Yes
08:45-09:30	Age limit for lung transplant in 2023: is there a barrier?	<p>In this session two clinicians will debate whether there should be an age limit for lung transplants. They will reflect on the medical and ethical concerns and potential outcomes related to lung transplants for older patients. One will argue that being aged 65 or older should not be a barrier for a lung transplant, and the other</p>	Pro-con debate		Lung transplants	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15948	Yes



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		will argue that age still matters when deciding if someone is suitable for a transplant.					ssion?e=379&session=16328	
10:00-10:50	Preparing for the next pandemic/respiratory physiotherapy in children	<p>This session will involve two lung experts taking part in an interview on a particular topic. The topics covered in this session are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preparing for the next pandemic: zoonoses (diseases that can spread from animals to humans) and global epidemics • respiratory physiotherapy in children. 	Experts interview		Pandemics Paediatric respiratory physiotherapy	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16339	Yes
10:15-11:45	Imaging of environment-induced changes in the lung	<p>This session will outline respiratory problems that are linked to air pollution and changes in the environment, and explain when imaging tests, such as X-rays or scans, are needed in these cases and what the imaging results can show. It will address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hypersensitivity pneumonitis • asthma, rhinosinusitis, and COPD • environmental exposure and pneumoconiosis • how changes in the climate can impact respiratory infections. 	Clinical cases		Asthma Climate change COPD Hypersensitivity pneumonitis Pneumoconiosis Rhinosinusitis	Gold	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15933	Yes
10:15-11:45	Difficult treatment decisions in pulmonary hypertension	<p>This session will explore how to treat pulmonary hypertension (PH). It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how to manage patients with PH who also have right heart failure in the intensive care unit. This will include using medication called catecholamines, as well as the impact of mechanical ventilation and a treatment called extracorporeal membrane oxygenation 	Symposium		Pulmonary arterial hypertension Pulmonary hypertension	Silver	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16328	Yes



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the risks and management of pregnancy in patients with pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH). This includes discussing the risks during childbirth and the period after giving birth treating patients with idiopathic PAH who have risk factors for heart and lung disease providing palliative care for patients with PH. 					79&session=15230	
10:15-11:45	New insights into diagnostic aspects of sleep-disordered breathing	<p>This session will describe the latest findings from recent clinical trials and studies that provide new information about sleep-disordered breathing (SDB). It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> new diagnostic tools for SDB: this will include equipment that measures certain heart-related factors and uses artificial intelligence to help analyse the results. It will also discuss the technical standards and how these new tools can be useful in real-life medical settings the significance of new biomarkers in the diagnosis of SDB. Biomarkers are special substances found in the body that can provide clues about the presence and severity of the condition how polysomnography/polygraphy tests can help determine the severity of SDB and how doctors use this information to make clinical decisions how to diagnose SDB in patients who experience daytime sleepiness. 	Symposium		Sleep disordered breathing	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15224	Yes
10:15-11:45	Emerging evidence to improve quality of survival after critical illness	<p>This session will discuss topics related to the recovery of patients who have been critically ill. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the results of the TEAM trial - a study to determine the right frequency, method, and timing for early rehabilitation in critically ill patients 	Hot topics	Includes a patient perspective	Pulmonary rehabilitation Ventilation	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15224	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the results of the IMPROVE trial, exploring the role of respiratory muscle conditioning in helping patients who were on mechanical ventilators. the complications and long-lasting health problems that some patients experience after critical illness and how this can affect their rehabilitation. guidance on how to create a personalised rehabilitation plan for patients after a stay in the intensive care unit (ICU). 					79&session=16311	
10:15-11:45	Acute respiratory infections: what's new?	<p>This session will outline the most recent information about the development, spread, causes, prevention, and treatment of illnesses such as flu, COVID-19, and other respiratory virus infections. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how acute respiratory viruses are evolving and spreading worldwide, and their impact on people's health how these viruses cause illnesses and looking at specific markers in the body that can help us understand the severity of the disease strategies like vaccination and other measures to keep ourselves safe from these viruses exploring different methods and medicines to manage these illnesses effectively. 	Respiratory medicine meets other disciplines		Acute respiratory viruses	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15944	Yes
10:15-11:45	Rise of the machines: advances in home mechanical ventilation	<p>This session will outline the latest improvements in using home mechanical ventilation - machines to help people breathe when they are at home. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the progress made in understanding chronic respiratory failure whether we need different ways of using home mechanical ventilation for people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) 	Mini symposium		Chronic respiratory failure COPD Ventilation	Purple	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15945	Yes



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the benefits, challenges, and potential issues with using remote monitoring for home mechanical ventilation. 						
13:15-14:50	Clinical year in review	<p>This session will provide an overview of the most relevant advances in diagnosis and treatment of various lung conditions. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) obstructive sleep apnoea (OSA) interstitial lung disease (ILD) idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) cystic fibrosis (CF) COVID-19. 	Year in review		<p>COPD</p> <p>COVID-19</p> <p>Cystic fibrosis</p> <p>Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis</p> <p>Interstitial lung disease</p> <p>Obstructive sleep apnoea</p>	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15941	Yes
13:15-15:15	Current challenges in airways disease management	<p>This session will provide an update on our knowledge of how airways are affected by diseases and the latest challenges in the management of airway diseases. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the concept of "asthma control" and the importance of remission to improve treatment outcomes the impact of biologics on asthma treatment and the need to explore non-T2 asthma further chronic rhinosinusitis diagnosis and treatment options advancements in medicines to help persistent coughing. 	Hot topics		<p>Asthma</p> <p>Chronic cough</p> <p>Chronic rhinosinusitis</p>	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16316	Yes
15:30-17:00	Precision medicine in airways disease: where is the science going and	<p>This session will give an update on the role of precision medicine (an approach to healthcare that customises medical decisions, treatments, and interventions based on an individual's unique characteristics) in airway diseases. The topics will include:</p>	Hot topics		<p>Asthma</p> <p>Bronchiectasis</p> <p>COPD</p>	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16316	



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	what we can offer in the clinic?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> recognising the treatable traits in bronchiectasis and how this can help treatment the unmet needs of people with non-T2 asthma. the usefulness of new classifications of COPD to patients. the promise of multi-omics technologies for respiratory disease and how they can benefit patients. 					ssion?e=379&session=16317	
15:30-17:00	Digital solutions for respiratory medicine: a new way of working	<p>This session aims to explore the impact of digital health solutions in respiratory medicine, providing better care and enhancing patient outcomes. The session will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how the Ukrainian healthcare system used digital technologies to provide care for respiratory patients during the war with Russia digital health services for patients in Norway the use of AI and Big Data solutions for imaging and testing lungs electronic health care records. 	Hot topics		Digital health	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16312	Yes
15:30-17:00	Addressing disparities and deprivation in the care of children with lung diseases: a world view	<p>This session aims to address global disparities in asthma care and strategies for achieving equity in treatment. The session will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the impact of war on inequalities in respiratory healthcare, specifically in Eastern Europe the disparities due to social injustice in middle- and high-income countries the impact of deprivation on lung health outcomes and chronic respiratory diseases in a Sub-Saharan African context. 	State of the art		Asthma	Coral 1	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16320	Yes
13:45-15:15	Thoracic oncology	<p>This session will focus on cutting-edge topics in thoracic oncology that are currently in the scientific spotlight, aiming to enhance patient care and outcomes. These topics include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> new insights into tumour biology and how to better characterise the biology of lung cancers 	State of the art		Lung cancer Mesothelioma	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16312	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low dose CT scans for detecting lung nodules • the value of pulmonary rehabilitation for symptom management in patients with lung cancer and mesothelioma. 					ssion?e=379&session=15938	
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Tuesday 12 September

Time CEST	Session title	Summary	Session type	Patient role	Disease/topic areas	Room	Link for more info	Live streamed ?
08:30-10:00	Paediatric	<p>This session will discuss important topics in paediatric respiratory medicine, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • treatment options for severe paediatric asthma • an insight into neutrophilic inflammation following premature birth and other relevant lung diseases • management of persistent obstructive sleep apnoea (OSA) in children • high-flow nasal cannula therapy for managing paediatric bronchiolitis. 	State of the art		Paediatric lung disease	Silver	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15937	Yes
08:30-10:00	The organ-wide reach of exercise in chronic respiratory disease	<p>This session aims to explore the broad impact of exercise on chronic respiratory disease (CRD) through understanding how different organs of the body communicate with each other and how cells communicate during exercise. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a controversial talk on whether and how exercise can regenerate the lungs • a talk from a researcher and patient on the effects of exercise as an intervention for lung disease, in particular interstitial lung disease. 	Symposium	Includes a patient perspective	<p>Interstitial lung disease</p> <p>Pulmonary rehabilitation</p>	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16321	
08:30-10:00	Prevention of tuberculosis	<p>This session will share the newest information and best ways to stop tuberculosis (TB) from affecting adults, focussing on tests to</p>	Symposium	Includes a patient perspective			https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2	



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		<p>detect TB and the treatments that can prevent it from spreading. The session includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the global roadmap for a new TB vaccine. The vaccine is urgently needed, particularly in low- and middle-income countries, to eliminate TB globally discussions about the effectiveness of tuberculosis preventive therapy and how this can vary depending on age and whether the individual has any other conditions comparison of the different methods of diagnosing TB discussion on preventing the spread of TB once a case has been identified. 					/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15278	
09:10-10:00	Making sense of chronic cough/an update on environmental and occupational exposure in interstitial lung diseases	<p>This session aims to provide an update on chronic cough and environmental factors in interstitial lung disease. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> advances that have been made in our understanding of the reasons behind chronic cough environmental and occupational exposure that can lead to the development of interstitial lung diseases. 	Experts interviews		Chronic cough Interstitial lung disease	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16340	Yes
10:15-11:45	Pulmonary hypertension related to heart and lung disease	<p>This session aims to deepen the understanding of pulmonary hypertension (PH) related to heart and lung diseases, providing valuable information on treatment approaches, genetic factors, and the diverse spectrum of PH in various clinical contexts. Attendees will gain insights into the latest developments and approaches for managing these complex respiratory conditions. Topics covered include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> progress in managing PH associated with heart failure. This will cover the latest treatment and trials for patients with these conditions. 	Respiratory medicine meets other disciplines		Pulmonary hypertension	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15368	Yes
10:15-11:45	Precision medicine in	This session aims to shed light on the potential of precision medicine (an approach to healthcare that customises medical	Hot topics		Obstructive sleep apnoea	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org	Yes

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	obstructive sleep apnoea	<p>decisions, treatments, and interventions based on an individual's unique characteristics) in obstructive sleep apnoea (OSA). The session will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the different ways OSA can present depending on various factors including age, sex, menopausal status, obesity and lifestyle (e.g. low physical activity and nutrition), and how this can affect the response to different treatments. updates on methods used to determine the patients at risk of OSA and the various ways that it can be treated how to intervene early if someone's treatment is not working well. 					g/prod/v2/ Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16315	
10:15-11:45	Occupational and environmental determinants of common respiratory diseases	<p>This session aims to explore the significant role of occupational and environmental exposures in the development, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of common chronic respiratory diseases. This will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> new information about chronic obstructive pulmonary disease COPD caused by work-related factors how diet can play a role in preventing COPD how certain jobs or workplace environments can impact the diagnosis and treatment of asthma hypersensitivity pneumonitis caused by exposure to multiple substances. 	Symposium		Asthma COPD Hyper-sensitivity pneumonitis	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15241	Yes
10:15-11:45	UNITE4TB: tuberculosis renewed	<p>This symposium will offer insights into the latest diagnostic methods for tuberculosis (TB) and drug resistance identification, as well as advancements in TB treatment options. It will cover in further detail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> new developments in TB diagnosis as well as the areas needing further investment to improve identification of TB advances in new TB medications, including evidence from key clinical trials 	Symposium	Includes a patient perspective	Tuberculosis	Coral 1	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15932	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> how people with TB can be helped to complete their course of medication. 						
10:15-11:45	Symptom burden in interstitial lung disease	<p>This session aims to provide updates on the treatment of three significant symptoms in interstitial lung disease (ILD): dyspnoea, cough, and fatigue. It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> updates about the assessment and management of dyspnea and hypoxemia in ILD what causes fatigue in ILD, how to measure it and how to manage it. It will include a new study that showed that an innovative online mindfulness programme improved fatigue, anxiety, depressive symptoms, and health status for patients with sarcoidosis how cough develops and progresses in ILD, and the latest research on treatment, including a trial on the efficacy of morphine for cough in pulmonary fibrosis. 	Mini symposium	Includes a patient perspective	Interstitial lung disease	Purple	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15949	Yes
10:30-11:15	Are β -blockers beneficial in chronic obstructive pulmonary disease?	<p>This session will discuss the use of beta-blockers in patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), with two experts arguing for and against their use. This session will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> look at the risks and benefits of beta blockers in COPD identify which COPD patients should be cautious about using these medicines and who could benefit the most from them. 	Pro-con debate		COPD	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16329	Yes
13:45-15:15	Genetics in paediatric respiratory diseases	<p>This session will look at the role of genetics in children's lung diseases. Specifically it will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how doctors use genetic tests to learn more about our genes and how they affect our health surfactant disorders - conditions that can cause breathing problems in newborns - and how these disorders might be linked to an increased risk of developing cancer later in life 	Mini symposium	Includes a patient perspective	Cystic fibrosis Genetics Paediatrics Primary ciliary dyskinesia		https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15946	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ciliated airway epithelial cells - cells in our airways that have tiny hair-like structures called cilia, and how understanding these cells and their genetics can help personalise medical treatments to better suit individual needs. 			Surfactant disorders			
13:45-15:15	Interstitial lung diseases	<p>This session will discuss recent developments in interstitial lung diseases (ILDs). It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> symptom management for ILDs, in particular, how home monitoring technologies, such as home handheld spirometry, can help improve access to care for patients with ILD precision medicine (an approach to healthcare that customises medical decisions, treatments, and interventions based on an individual's unique characteristics) for idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) recent advancements in how doctors diagnose and treat hypersensitivity pneumonitis (HP) the latest approaches to manage and improve the lung-related symptoms of rheumatoid arthritis (RA). 	State of the art		Interstitial lung disease	Gold	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15939	Yes
13:45-15:15	Incidental findings in low dose computed tomography lung cancer screening programmes: be aware, be prepared!	<p>This session will discuss the possible advantages and disadvantages of unexpected discoveries, known as "incidental findings," that may happen during lung cancer screenings using low-dose computed tomography (LDCT). We will hear from different experts to get a well-rounded understanding of the latest evidence and how they approach these incidental findings as part of a team effort to manage patient health.</p> <p>The topics covered in this session include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> incidental findings from the perspective of radiologists, who interpret the images 	Hot topics	Includes a patient perspective	Lung cancer	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16772	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in helping identify incidental findings how GPs (family doctors) view and handle incidental findings when they are reported the challenges that pulmonologists face when they encounter conditions such as emphysema and interstitial lung abnormalities (ILA) through LDCT screenings. 						
13:45-15:15	The 'silent zone' is heard: latest insights and updates in small airways disease in asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	<p>This session will give the latest updates and insights into small airways disease (SAD) in patients with asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). It will cover how doctors assess and diagnose this problem, its effects on patients' health, and the different ways it can be treated.</p> <p>It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> new and improved ways for doctors to check the health of the small airways in asthma and COPD patients during routine check-ups research findings showing how SAD affects individuals with asthma and COPD the difficulties in creating medications that can reach and help the small airways effectively for people with SAD. 	Symposium		Asthma COPD	Silver	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15225	Yes
13:45-15:15	Respiratory critical care	<p>This session will provide an overview of the use of mechanical ventilation in acute respiratory failure, including diseases such as acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) and acute exacerbation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).</p> <p>It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> weaning from ventilation - helping patients in intensive care to breathe on their own again after a time on a machine. This will include the WEAN SAFE study, which is trying to find better ways to do this. 	State of the Art	Patients were involved in the WEANSAFE CRC	Acute respiratory distress syndrome COPD Ventilation	Coral 2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15935	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the use of a machine called extracorporeal membrane oxygenation, which helps provide oxygen to the body, and its benefits and drawbacks how the ventilator itself can sometimes cause harm to the lungs, and the reasons behind this. 						
13:45-15:15	Lung cancer screening: turning up the heat and moving onwards	<p>This session will cover the best practices and latest developments in lung cancer screening. It will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> highlight successes in helping to remove barriers for lung cancer screening programmes explore how analysis of breath might be used in screening give an overview of the EU project, SOLACE, which aims to make lung cancer screening programmes available to more people explain how the latest endoscopy techniques are making it easier to detect lung cancer at its earliest and most treatable stage. 	Symposium		Lung cancer	Coral 1	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=15280	Yes
15:30-17:00	Treatment of early stage, technically resectable mesothelioma	<p>This session will review the different international guidelines on treatment of mesothelioma. This will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an overview of what early mesothelioma is and how it is diagnosed a type of surgery called radical surgery that can be used for treating mesothelioma an overview of the latest research from different countries that aims to better understand the early stages of mesothelioma, including its biological and anatomical features. 	Symposium		Mesothelioma	Coral 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16133	Yes
15:30-17:00	The best of the European Respiratory Journal	<p>This session will review the best publications in the European Respiratory Journal (ERJ) on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> air pollution and climate change asthma, COPD and bronchiectasis 	Journal session		Air pollution Asthma	Silver	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Pr	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 and long COVID • interstitial lung disease. 			Bronchiectasis Climate change COPD COVID-19 and long COVID Interstitial lung disease		ogram/Session?e=379&session=15923	
15:30-17:00	Palliative care for people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease or interstitial lung disease / The use of "as-needed" inhaled corticosteroids/formoterol in mild asthma	<p>This session will discuss two new published guidelines: the European Respiratory Society (ERS) guideline on inhaled corticosteroids (ICS)/formoterol on demand and the ERS clinical practice guideline on palliative care for people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or interstitial lung disease (ILD). It will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what palliative care means for those with COPD or ILD, and how to recognise who may benefit from this type of care • the experiences and needs of people living with COPD and ILD, including both patients and their informal caregivers. 	Guidelines session	Includes a patient and caregiver perspective	COPD Interstitial lung disease	Coral 4+5	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16332	
15:30-17:00	Next generation evidence-based decision-making in respiratory medicine	<p>This session will explore how real-life research studies can help make better decisions, including creating guidelines for medical practices. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how information from randomised controlled trials and real-life research can be used to make decisions about healthcare. • the use of registries - databases that collect real-life information from many patients 	Mini symposium		Digital health Research	Purple	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16187	Yes

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> how technology, such as mobile health tools (mHealth), can play a role in gathering evidence to improve healthcare decisions. 						
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Wednesday 13 September

Time CEST	Session title	Summary	Session type	Patient role	Disease/topic areas	Room	Link for more info	Live streamed ?
08:30-09:20	Tobacco, e-cigarette and cannabis epidemic in youth / Indoor air pollution	<p>This session consists of interviews with two experts on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the tobacco, e-cigarette and cannabis epidemic in young people indoor air pollution. 	Experts interviews		Air pollution Cannabis Nicotine and tobacco	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16308	No
09:00-10:45	How to reduce the tobacco and e-cigarette epidemic in youth	<p>This session will discuss the growing use of e-cigarettes and new nicotine and tobacco products among young people in Italy, Europe, and worldwide. It will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> look at two recent statements from the European Respiratory Society: 'Tobacco 21', which is related to raising the legal age for tobacco use, and 'Novel nicotine and tobacco products and harm reduction", which deals with new types of smoking products and ways to reduce their harm discuss what these statements mean for controlling tobacco use and how they impact healthcare practices using Italy as an example, identify areas where tobacco regulations may need improvement and explore how we 	Wednesday special session		Nicotine and tobacco	Brown 1+2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16306	No

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		can work towards the goal of creating a generation free from tobacco use.						
09:45-10:30	Is it clinically helpful to say someone has 'mild' asthma?	In this session, two experts will debate whether it's useful to say someone has 'mild' asthma from a medical perspective. They will talk about what 'mild asthma' means and how doctors should approach treating it. They will also discuss how international guidelines deal with managing asthma, considering its control, severity, and potential risks for the future.	Pro-con debate		Asthma	Studio white	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16307	No
09:45-12:45	How to build a successful, sustainable, international research network?	In this session, we will learn from the experience of experts from ERS (European Respiratory Society) and ELF (European Lung Foundation) about building strong international research networks. These networks are essential for conducting cutting-edge research with a global impact. The session will cover: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • finding the right fit: how to choose a research topic that aligns with current important issues and how to collaborate with other areas of medicine to address related health conditions • ensuring your project makes a difference: ways to create awareness beyond the respiratory field, influence policies, and raise public awareness about your research • making the most of data: how to collect, store, and share research data effectively • patient and caregiver perspectives: involving patients and caregivers in international research networks and how their insights are valuable • building a strong consortium: the key elements of forming successful research teams and engaging relevant stakeholders • introducing Lung Europe: the vision and strategies of the new ERS/ELF organization, Lung Europe, which aims to 	Wednesday special session	Patients and patient representatives are on the panel	Patient involvement Research	Brown 3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16304	No



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		<p>support the future needs and goals of the respiratory community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ensuring sustainability: the factors that contribute to the long-term success of research initiatives, such as ongoing interest, funding, and enthusiasm. 						
10:00-11:20	Excellence in rare diseases care and research: the ERN-Lung initiative	<p>ERN-LUNG is a network made up of healthcare providers and patient organisations from across Europe. They focus on rare lung diseases and their main goals are to improve patient care, advocate for patients' needs, provide education, conduct research, and share knowledge with others around the world. They work together to reduce the suffering and death caused by these rare lung diseases.</p> <p>This session will give information on the ERN-LUNG Network and what it has accomplished in recent years with support from the European Commission and the ERS. It will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is ERN-LUNG? How healthcare providers can get involved with ERN-LUNG. How networking can improve patient care. How ERN-LUNG can help healthcare providers. Information about the ERN-LUNG Academy. The significant role patients play in ERN-LUNG and the achievements resulting from their collaboration. 	Wednesday special session	Patients are involved in ERN-LUNG	Patient involvement Rare lung disease	Yellow 1+2+3	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16684	No
10:55-12:55	Building support for clean air policies: empowering the respiratory community to advocate for	<p>This session aims to involve healthcare professionals and local non-governmental organisations (NGOs) in the Healthy Lungs for Life Clean Air campaign. It will empower them to engage with their communities and the government to promote the importance of clean air for healthy lungs.</p> <p>The session will include:</p>	Wednesday special session		Air pollution	Blue 1+2	https://k4.ersnet.org/prod/v2/Front/Program/Session?e=379&session=16684	No



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	clean air locally, nationally and internationally	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• why clean air is important to people with lung conditions• different ways to bring about positive changes and encourage everyone to take action for clean air• the importance of the Ambient Air Quality Directive, which is a set of rules that helps protect the air we breathe.					79&session=16616	
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