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FALS Robotics 2026

Fellowship of Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery - Robotic 2026

MMC Credit Points Applied

12 to 14
JUNE
2026



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KIMS Hospitals, Thane



Dr. Anil Heroor

Organising Chairman
Director Oncosciences
KIMS Hospitals Thane

WELCOME MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

12th to 14th June 2026
KIMS Hospitals, Thane



DEAR COLLEAGUES AND DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES

It gives me immense pleasure, as President of IAGES, to welcome you to FALS Robotics 2026 – Fellowship of Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery (Robotic), scheduled from 12th to 14th June 2026 at KIMS Hospitals, Thane.

Robotic surgery represents one of the most significant advancements in modern surgical practice, enabling surgeons to achieve greater precision, superior visualization, and improved patient outcomes. This fellowship program has been thoughtfully designed to provide participants with a comprehensive learning experience through expert lectures, interactive discussions, and valuable practical insights from distinguished faculty and leaders in the field.

The program aims to strengthen the understanding and application of robotic techniques in minimally invasive surgery, while also providing an excellent platform for knowledge exchange and professional collaboration. We hope that this fellowship will not only enhance technical expertise but also inspire innovation and encourage the adoption of advanced surgical technologies in clinical practice.

As technology continues to redefine the future of healthcare, it becomes our collective responsibility to embrace these innovations while maintaining the highest standards of patient safety and care. Through initiatives like FALS, IAGES continues its commitment to advancing surgical education, promoting skill development, and fostering excellence in minimally invasive and robotic surgery.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the organizing committee, faculty members, and partners whose dedication has made this program possible. I also thank all the delegates for their enthusiasm and participation.

I wish you a highly productive fellowship program and a memorable learning experience.

Dr. K. Govindaraj
President

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MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY

12th to 14th June 2026
KIMS Hospitals, Thane



DEAR ESTEEMED FACULTY AND DELEGATES

It is a privilege to welcome you, as Honorary Secretary of IAGES, to FALS Robotics 2026 – Fellowship of Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery (Robotic), scheduled from 12th to 14th June 2026 at KIMS Hospitals, Thane.

The rapid progress in robotic platforms has opened new possibilities in surgical precision, ergonomics, and patient safety, making continuous education in this field essential for today's surgeons. This fellowship program has been thoughtfully structured to provide a balanced academic experience through expert-led sessions, practical discussions, and opportunities for meaningful knowledge exchange.

I sincerely appreciate the efforts of the organizing committee at KIMS Hospitals, Thane, along with the esteemed faculty members whose dedication and commitment have made this program possible. I also thank all the participants for being a part of this important academic initiative.

Wishing you an engaging, informative, and rewarding fellowship program.

With warm regards,

Dr. Ashwin Thangavelu
Honorary Secretary

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MESSAGE FROM THE ORGANISING TEAM

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Surgery has evolved remarkably over the years from open procedures to laparoscopy, and now into the transformative era of robotic surgery. With rising patient expectations and increasing surgical complexity, structured training in robotic techniques has become the need of the hour.

The FALS Robotics program offers a comprehensive academic platform featuring expert lectures, live demonstrations, and hands-on training sessions conducted by experienced faculty in the field. Through this initiative, IAGES continues its commitment to advancing surgical education and ensuring that surgeons are equipped with the skills required to deliver the highest standards of patient care using modern technology.

We look forward to welcoming you to Kims Hospitals Thane for an enriching academic experience, meaningful discussions, and professional camaraderie.

Warm regards,

Patron



Dr. Bollineni Bhaskar Rao
Chairman & MD KIMS hospitals

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GUIDELINES

12th 14th June 2026
KIMS Hospitals, Thane

A candidate can apply in any ONE of the categories
Exam Fellowship / Non-Exam Fellowship

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

IAGES Membership is a must. Those who are not members may apply for membership online. See the website www.iages.in for more details.

Post graduate degree in surgery is mandatory.

A resident or junior consultant should obtain a certificate of experience from the HOD of the hospital/Institution as a supportive document. Attach soft copies of the MBBS, MS, or DNB certificate and MCI/ State registration certificate during membership registration.

Candidates also have to register for the Conference to be held in Thane from June 12th to 14th, 2026 in order to attend Live Surgeries, Lectures and Convocation Ceremony.

1. Non - Examination Category

Surgeons who have been doing Laparoscopy / Robotic surgery for 10 or more years are eligible for Non Examination Category. Candidates should have performed atleast 100 laparoscopic / robotic surgeries and need to submit logbook to substantiate claim. All the candidates will be interviewed by the IAGES board for final assessment before the award of fellowship.

2. Examination Category

All surgeons with a minimum of 3 years experience Post MS/DNB in Laparoscopy / Robotic Surgery. The applicant should have Either assisted or performed 25 surgeries robotically. All the candidates would appear for MCQ assessment and Viva by the IAGES FALS board for final assessment before awarding the fellowship.

Log book

Age/Sex/Surgery/Role/Post-op course/Complication/Remarks Role - Assisted/under supervision/Independent Post-op course - Uneventful / Eventful

Complications - Infection, Bleeding, Leak, Stricture, Obstruction, Others (type if others)

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GUIDELINES

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Suggested Reading:

Any textbooks/ journals pertaining to Advanced Laparoscopic & Robotic Surgery. Onsite Module: Will include Lectures/ Panel discussions/ Live operative workshop & exams / viva on 12th to 14th , June 2026.

MCQ Exam:

Time: 60 minutes (Maximum number of marks: 100) The exam will have 100 MCQ questions (single best response type) and will be conducted via an online link. The candidate has to be present at the venue in person.

Practical Examination:

Interview/assessment for approximately 10 minutes on each candidate. The candidates will be divided in to batches and interviewed by senior faculty members of IAGES depending upon the number of candidates. Maximum of 50 marks are allotted for the interview.

Result:

Outcome of written and practical assessment will be prepared by the organizing team and to be signed and to be sent to the President with a copy to Hon Secretary Office and FALS board and results will be published in the IAGES website. Candidates will have to register and attend the upcoming IAGES Annual conference scheduled in February 2027 at New Delhi, India in order to receive the fellowship certificate.

Assessment of FALS Robotics fellowship candidates will be conducted by IAGES Central Office.

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FALS ROBOTIC COURSE MODULE

12th to 14th JUNE 2026

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- General surgeons are desirous of upgrading their skills in Robotic Surgery.
- General surgeons wanting to become familiar with advanced MAS surgery.
- IAGES membership is a prerequisite for the FALS course. Non-members can apply simultaneously online on www.iages.in.
- CME can be attended by surgical PGs, general & specialist surgeons irrespective of IAGES membership status.

CME COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

- 12th - 13th June 2026 Lectures, Panel Discussion, Examination **and live surgeries**
- 14th June 2026 Workshops & Examination for course candidate's.
- Interactive Fellowship Courses.
- MCQ & VIVA Assessment.
- Video Lectures, Master Videos & Panel Discussions.
- Surgical Workshop & Master Videos.
- A great learning experience with the best of faculty across the globe.

AWARD OF FELLOWSHIP CERTIFICATE

The Certificate will be awarded at the next annual conference in Delhi Feb 2027 check IAGES website for details

For Registration to the National Conference Visit www.iages.in

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FELLOWSHIP REGISTRATION

Category	Fees Till 31 st May 2026	Fees From 01 st June 2026
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Note: Refund Policy

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BANK DETAILS

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Meet The Professor (2 Hours Workshop)

Date And Time

- 14th June, Sunday
- 09:00 AM To 11:00 PM

Learn From National Faculties - Leaders In Robotic Surgery

- Renowned Experts
- High - Volume Robotic Surgeons
- Mentors Shaping Nextgen Surgeons

Note :

- Unique concept of small group discussion on the surgery
- Learn practical tips and tricks from the best in the field
- Participants can select one masterclass of their choice from five expert-curated sessions
- Each group will be limited to 10 delegates
- Registration for the particular workshop will be on first come basis

Choose The Right Option

- Robotic Cholecystectomy
- Robotic Right Hemicolectomy
Robotic Anterior Resection
- Robotic Nephrectomy
Robotic Hysterectomy
- Robotic Gastrectomy
Robotic Fundoplication
- Robotic Incisional Hernia Repair
Robotic Groin Hernia Repair



SCIENTIFIC AGENDA

DAY **01** 12th June 2026

Scientific Program

08:30 - 09:00 Registration & Breakfast

SESSION 1: ROBOTICS BASICS

09:00 - 09:15 Understanding the Robot: CMR Versius (Cart/Console, Instruments, Docking, etc.)

09:15 - 09:30 Understanding the Robot: SSI Mantra (Cart/Console, Instruments, Docking, etc.)

09:30 - 09:45 Understanding the Robot: Medtronic Hugo (Cart/Console, Instruments, Docking, etc.)

09:45 - 10:00 Understanding the Robot: Meril MIZZO (Cart/Console, Instruments, Docking, etc.)

10:00 - 10:15 Understanding the Robot: Medbot (Cart/Console, Instruments, Docking, etc.)

10:15 - 10:30 Understanding the Robot: da Vinci (Cart/Console, Instruments, Docking, etc.)

10:30 - 10:45 TEA BREAK



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DAY

01

12th June 2026

Scientific Program

SESSION 2: THORACIC

- 10:45 - 11:00 **○ Navigating the Thorax**
- 11:00 - 11:15 **○ Where the Robot Scores in Lung surgery**
- 11:15 - 11:30 **○ The Robot In Esophageal Cancer Surgery - Panel**
- 11:30 - 11:45 **○ Crisis Management In Thoracic Surgery**

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

- 11:45 - 12:15 **○ Why does an expert laparoscopic surgeon need Robotics?**

- 12:15 - 12:45 **○ INAUGURATION**

- 12:45 - 01:15 **○ LUNCH BREAK**

SESSION 3 : BARIATRIC

- 01:15- 01:30 **○ Robotics in Primary Bariatric Surgery**
- 01:30 - 01:45 **○ Revisional Bariatric Surgery**



SCIENTIFIC AGENDA

DAY

01

12th June 2026

Scientific Program

SESSION 4 : COLORECTAL

- 01:45 - 02:00 ● **Right Hemicolectomy & CME/CVL - Better with Robot?**
- 02:00 - 02:15 ● **rLAR - Advantages over the laparoscopic approach**
- 02:15 - 02:30 ● **Multiquadrant Surgery in Colon : Tips and Tricks to minimise double docking**
- 02:30 - 02:45 ● **Diverticulitis - Will I ever use a Robot?**
- 02:45 - 03:00 ● **Robotic surgery in the era of Watch & Wait for rectal cancer**
- 03:00 - 03:15 ● **Extended resections in Rectal Cancer**
- 03:15 - 03:30 ● **Tech help for CR resection - ICG/ Sureform/ Energy source**
- 03:30 - 05:30 ● **LIVE SURGERY / MASTER VIDEOS**



SCIENTIFIC AGENDA

DAY

02

13th June, 2026

Scientific Program

SESSION 5: ESSENTIALS

- 09:00 - 09:10 **● Navigating The Legal And Hospital Board Requirements For "Robot Privileges"**
- 09:10 - 09:20 **● Planning the Physical Infrastructure (OT / Table / Training / Simulation)**
- 09:20 - 09:30 **● How To Build The Robotic "Heart" Team? (Bedside Surgical Team, Nursing & Anaesthesia)**
- 09:30 - 09:40 **● Robotic Program : Single Surgeon/ Tier 2/3 Cities**
- 09:40 - 09:50 **● Cost-Per-Case Analysis And Instrument Life-Cycle Management.**
- 09:50 - 10:00 **● Financial Planning And Feasibility Study**
- 10:00 - 10:10 **● Q&A**
- 10:10 - 10:20 **● TEA BREAK**



SCIENTIFIC AGENDA

DAY

02

13th June, 2026

Scientific Program

SESSION 6: HERNIA

10:20 - 10:35



Will Robotic Platforms be the 'Gold' Standard for Hernia Repair?

10:35 - 10:50



Inguinal Hernia : The TAPP Mastery

10:50 - 11:05



Robot for Large Scrotal and Sliding Hernias

11:05 - 11:20



Ventral Hernia & the ETEP Revolution

11:20 - 11:35



Robotic TAR

11:35 - 11:50



Role of the Robot in Hiatal Hernia Surgery

11:50 - 12:05



Overcoming the Challenges of Parastomal Hernias with the Robot.

12:05 - 12:35



Getting out of the Quagmire: Complications Costs & Troubleshooting - Panel

12:35 - 12:40



Q&A

12:40 - 01:10



LUNCH BREAK



SCIENTIFIC AGENDA

DAY

02

13th June, 2026

Scientific Program

SESSION 7 : HPB

01:10 - 01:30

● Robotic Cholecystectomy- why I do it?
Robotic Difficult Cholecystectomy

01:30 - 01:45

● Robotic Whipple - Is it worth the effort?

01:45 - 02:00

● Robotics in Liver and Bile duct surgery

02:00 - 02:15

● Robotic Radical Cholecystectomy

SESSION 8: UPPER GI

02:15 - 02:30

● Robotic Gastrectomy

SESSION 9: HEAD & NECK

02:30 - 02:45

● Beyond the Neck incision - Access & Precision in rThyroidectomy

SESSION 10 : ADVANCES

02:45 - 03:00

● Understanding Telesurgery - Feasibility, Applications and Limitations

03:00 - 05:00

● LIVE SURGERY / MASTER VIDEOS

05:00 - 06:00

● MCQ EXAM



SCIENTIFIC AGENDA

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03

14th June, 2026

Scientific Program

08:30 - 10:30

LIVE SURGERY

MEET THE PROFESSOR

10:30 - 12:30

Robotic Difficult Cholecystectomy

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Robotic Groin Hernia

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Exam

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Exam And Viva

01:00 - 01:30

LUNCH BREAK



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