



XVI INTERNATIONAL BIENNIAL MEETING DANIEL DARGENT

The Battles Continue...
THE REMATCH!

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SCIENTIFIC RATIONALE

Dear colleagues,

It is with great honor and deep emotion that we open the **16th edition of our International Biennial Meeting "Daniel Dargent"**, exactly 34 years since the inaugural and historic edition of 1992.

Sixteen editions signify continuity but they also represent an enduring capacity for renewal, for interpreting change, and for keeping pace with the challenges of our time.

Following the enthusiastic success of the previous edition, we are once again pleased to present the innovative educational format of the **Cultural Battles**.

This edition, aptly titled **"The Rematch,"** will once more see **two "Gladiators"** engage in intellectual combat in the Maratea arena, defending opposing theses (**thesis vs antithesis**) through structured argumentation. Guiding us through this confrontation will be our irreplaceable **Troublemaker**, whose provocations and reflections will steer us toward our one true aim: **synthesis**.

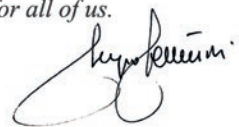
The objective is to shed light-through close, dynamic exchanges—on certain controversial and, at times, conflicting aspects of our discipline. We aim to ensure that "the opponents hurl intellectual spears at one another; attacking or defending their respective approaches to compelling clinical challenges".

It is essential that the two "Gladiators" engage in a debate grounded in literature that, while potentially methodologically flawed, presents opposing perspectives or questions each other's theses.

The most demanding role falls to the instigator (Troublemaker), who must expose the weaknesses in the arguments of both speakers, demonstrating a deep understanding of the topic under discussion.

Frequently, these battles end without a clear victor; precisely because they touch upon widely accepted clinical paradigms—paradigms that, though long unchallenged, are in need of renewed critical evaluation.

I therefore hope that the 16th Daniel Dargent Biennial Meeting will once again serve as a stage for dialogue and reflection, and, hopefully, help chart a path forward for all of us.



REQUESTED PATRONAGES



THURSDAY - MAY 21, 2026

PRE-CONFERENCE COURSE - ULTRASOUND IN ENDOMETRIOSIS...What's new?

Sala Meridiani

Coordinators: **M. L. Pisaturo, C. Santarsiero**

- 09:00 – 09:30 Welcome desk opening and registration
- 09:30 – 09:50 IDEA consensus - **S. Guerriero**
- 09:50 – 10:10 Objective examination and ultrasound in the patient with endometriosis - **A. Di Giovanni**
- 10:10 – 10:30 Ultrasound of the uterosacral ligaments - **F. Fascilla**
- 10:30 – 10:50 Superficial endometriosis: what can be visualized - **S. Guerriero**
- 10:50 – 11:10 Diagnosis of deep localization of endometriosis, now is it simple? - **C. Exacoustos**
- 11:10 – 11:30 Scanning of the sacral nerve roots and sacral plexus and endometriosis in rare sites - **L. Lazzeri**
- 11:30 – 12:15 Video clips show. Collegial discussion of ultrasound cases
- 12:15 – 12:30 Test ECM and closing remarks

"MAKE WAY FOR THE YOUNG" – PRESENTATION OF ABSTRACTS "UNDER 35"

Sala Paralleli

Coordinators: **A. Di Spiezio Sardo, L. Muzii, E. Zupi**

- 10:00 – 13:00 Presentation of the abstracts submitted by participants under the age of 35 years old who chose to take part in the initiative. The two best abstracts - one in the field of Reproductive Medicine and the other in the field of Gynecological Endoscopy - will be awarded during the plenary session

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- 14:00 – 14:30 Participant Registration and Welcome Coffee
14:30 – 14:45 Meeting Introduction - **S. Schettini, A. Wattiez**
14:45 – 15:00 Greetings from Presidents of Scientific Societies:
SIGO - E. Viora **AOGOI - A. Chiàntera**
SEGI - A. Mattei **AGUI - L. Nappi**

SESSION 1 – THE FIRST SKIRMISHES OF THE BATTLE: THE REPRODUCTIVE TIMES

Chairs: **N. Colacurci, S. Ronsini**

- 15:00 – 15:20 Non invasive pre-implantation genetic testing for aneuploidies in IVF (NIPGT-A) Utopia or Reality? - **C. Ottolini**
15:20 – 15:40 AI in MAR: how to separate dream from reality - **V. Pisaturo**
15:40 – 16:00 FSH alpha, beta, delta, and long-acting FSH: what are the differences? - **F. Zullo**
16:00 – 16:20 PRP for reproductive rejuvenation: a cheap utopian dream? The real evidence of its efficacy - **M. C. De Angelis**

SESSION 2 – THE FIRST SPARK OF THE BATTLE...

Chairs: **C. De Stefano, F. Tomei**

- 16:20 – 16:50 **Special Lecture:** Implantation failure - **J. Remohi**

16:50 – 17:30 Recombinant FSH/LH and HMG: are they identical twins?
M. Cozzolino Vs E. Coccia
The Troublemaker: **A. Allegra**

17:30 – 18:10 Outdated antagonist? Increasing role of progesterone in the follicular phase
A. Iuliano Vs I. Strina
The Troublemaker: **F. Gebbia**

18:10 – 18:50 PGT-A in IVF Cycles: is it more time saved or more money spent?
E. Somigliana Vs A. Pellicer
The Troublemaker: **A. La Marca**

18:50 – 19:20 Fertility preservation - **A. Cobo**

FRIDAY - MAY 22, 2026

SESSION 3 - LET THE BATTLES BEGIN!

Chairs: **M. Vicino - F. Zullo**

09:00 – 09:15 But Before... **TIME TO RETHINK**
Mimetrial pathology: usual and unusual imaging, pitfalls,
and problem-solving ultrasound imaging - **L. Lazzeri**

BATTLE ONE

09:15 – 09:45 **The indications for myoma treatment:
against each other armed?**

Medical approach first? - **S. Angioni** Vs

Surgical Myomecyomy - **A. Maiorana**

09:45 – 10:15 **Beyond the surgery - Microwaves or Radiofrequency?**

K. L. Andersson Vs **A. La Marca**

The Troublemaker: **E. Zupi**

10:15 – 10:30 But Before... **TIME TO RETHINK**
Endometrioma: stop at appearance or go deeper?
S. Guerriero

10:30 – 11:10 **BATTLE TWO**

**The endometrioma surgery: new surgical solutions or classical
technique...does one size fit all?**

L. Muzii Vs **L. Nappi**

The Troublemaker: **F. Martire**

11:10 – 11:25 But Before... **TIME TO RETHINK**
Surgery or medical therapy: ultrasound support -
C. Exacoustos

11:25 – 12:05 **BATTLE THREE**

**Symptomatic endometriosis medical or surgical treatment:
beyond the dichotomy...**

M. Malzoni Vs **P. Vercellini**

The Troublemaker: **E. Somigliana**

12:05 – 12:25 **Special Lecture:** "Orally active gonadotropin-releasing hormone
antagonists for adenomyosis, endometriosis, and fibroids: hype
or hope?" - **P. Vercellini**

12:25 – 12:45 **Special Lecture:** Is there still a place for «conventional
laparoscopy» in the surgical management of endometriosis: we
need a de-escalation strategy? - **A. Wattiez**

12:45 – 14:30 **LIGHT LUNCH**

SESSION 4 – From Aesop to SRT-H (Surgical Robot Transformer-Hierarchy): THE ROBOTICS EPIDEMIC

Chairs: **S. Arena, V. Trojano**

14:30 – 14:50 **THE PREMISE...FIRST OF ALL**

The assessment of robotic assisted surgical systems: health technology assessments (HTAs) of robotic assisted surgery (RAS) -
A. Cicchetti

THE BATTLES CONTINUE... the best route, the best tools...the best indication?

14:50 – 15:30 **BATTLE FOUR**

Robotics in benign gynecological pathology: a smart choice or just hype?

J. Gilabert Vs G. Bifulco

The Troublemaker: **A. Mattei**

15:30 – 16:10 **BATTLE FIVE**

Robotic surgery in gynecology oncology: Must Have or Flop?

E. Vizza Vs D. Querleu

The Troublemaker: **V. Chiàntera**

16:10 – 16:50 **BATTLE SIX**

Transvaginal natural orifice transluminal endoscopic surgery (V-nots): innovation or overcomplication?

M. Candiani Vs A. Ercoli

The Troublemaker: **S. Salvatore**

SESSION 5 – BREAKING NEWS IN ONCOGYN

Chairs: **A. Chiàntera, G. Trojano**

16:50 – 17:20 **Special Lecture:** Surgical de-escalation: radicality reduction trends in gynecology oncology - **D. Querleu**

17:20 – 17:40	« After Shape »: The disappearance of radical surgery in early cervical carcinoma - M. Plante
17:40 – 18:00	Surgical cornerstones and innovation in the management of EC patients - F. Fanfani
18:00 – 18:20	New ESGO-ESTRO-ESP guidelines: guidance for daily clinical decision-making - A. Fagotti
18:20	Tribute: The hands that healed, the mind that inspired: remembering “Giovanni Scambia” - A. Fagotti, F. Fanfani
20:30	The NIGHT BATTLE & ABSTRACT “UNDER 35” AWARD CEREMONY

SATURDAY - MAY 23, 2026

SESSION 6 - THE BATTLES go on...

Chairs: **S. Bettocchi**

09:00 – 09:40	BATTLE SEVEN <u>Isthmocele - Fix it or observe, an ongoing dilemma</u> E. Somigliana Vs M. Cozzolino The Troublemaker: S. Bettocchi
09:40 – 10:20	BATTLE EIGHT “Scar war Surgery”: vaginal route or hysteroscopic approach? V. Benini Vs B. Zizolfi The Troublemaker: E. Cicinelli
10:20 – 10:40	<u>Enigmatic dilemma of RCT in fertility enhancing intrauterine surgery</u> – A. Di Spiezo Sardo
10:40 – 11:10	Special Lecture: “Hysteroscopic resection of adenomyotic <u>laesions</u> improves reproductive outcome” The new challenge of every hysteroscopic surgeon! – R. Campo
11:10 – 11:50	BATTLE NINE <u>Mechanical tissue removal system vs energy devices: the best choice is...</u> G. Bigatti Vs U. Catena The Troublemaker: C. De Angelis
11:50 – 12:00	Closing Remarks - S. Schettini
12:00 – 12:30	Test ECM

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