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## Program

# SSPH Congress 2026

Swiss Society for Pulmonary Hypertension

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**March 5-6, 2026**

Hotel Bellevue Terminus, Engelberg

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# General Information

<b>Date</b>	<b>Thursday to Friday, March 5-6, 2026</b>
<b>Congress Venue</b>	<b>Hotel Bellevue Terminus</b>   Bahnhofstrasse 10   6390 Engelberg
<b>Society</b>	Website and contact of the Swiss Society for Pulmonary Hypertension SSPH <a href="http://www.sgph.ch">www.sgph.ch</a>   <a href="mailto:ssph@meister-concept.ch">ssph@meister-concept.ch</a>
<b>President of the Society</b>	Margret Riboch, Lugano
<b>Scientific Committee</b>	Prof. Silvia Ulrich, MD, Zurich / Lead Dr. med. Benoit Lechartier, MD, Lausanne
<b>Language</b>	The presentations and the slides are in English
<b>Opening Hours Welcome Desk</b>	<b>Thursday:</b> 10:00-18:00   <b>Friday:</b> 07:30-17:00
<b>Credits</b>	<b>Swiss Society of General Internal Medicine (SSGIM): 10 Credits</b> <b>Swiss Society of Pneumology (SSP): 11 Credits</b>

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# Program | Thursday, March 5, 2026

<b>11:00-12:30</b>	<b>Arrival and Registration at Hotel Bellevue Terminus, Engelberg</b>
<b>11:30-12:30</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>
<b>12:30-13:00</b>	<b>Welcome Refreshment</b>
<b>13:00-13:05</b>	<b>Welcome Address</b> Margret Riboch, Lugano (President) Benoit Lechartier, Lausanne   Silvia Ulrich, Zurich
<b>Chairs</b>	<b>Benoit Lechartier, Lausanne   Silvia Ulrich, Zurich</b>
<b>13:00-13:30</b>	<b>Right heart functions at the extremes – exercise, microgravity and beyond</b> Speaker: Ben Levine, Dallas, US
<b>13:30-14:00</b>	<b>Classification of PH – Should the structure be maintained?</b> Speaker: Gabor Kovacs, Graz, AT
<b>14:00-14:30</b>	<b>Shared decision making in PH – From possibilities to patient’s expectation</b> Speakers: Mona Lichtblau, Zurich   Leonie Schreck, Bern
<b>14:30-15:00</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>15:00-15:30</b>	<b>Poster Viewing 1</b>
<b>Chairs:</b>	<b>Margret Riboch, Lugano   Marc Fellrath, Neuchâtel</b>
<b>15:30-16:30</b>	<b>Pro/Con: Risk Assessment to define therapy – still appropriate</b> Speakers: Pro: Olivier Sitbon, Paris, FR   Con: Robin Condliffe, Sheffield, UK
<b>16:30-17:00</b>	<b>MRI assessment of the pulmonary vasculature – ready to go into the clinic?</b> Speaker: Harm Bogaard, Amsterdam, NL
<b>17:00-17:30</b>	<b>Hemodynamics by novel techniques (conductance catheter, corlog...) vs. Echocardiography</b> Speaker: Khodr Tello, Giessen, DE
<b>17:30-18:00</b>	<b>Refreshment</b>
<b>18:00-19:00</b>	<b>General Assembly SSPH</b>
<b>19:45</b>	<b>Congress Dinner</b>

## Program | Friday, March 6, 2026

- Chairs:** Louise Bonderelle, Geneva
- 08:30-09:00** **Pathophysiology of PH and consequences for ICU patients**  
Speaker: Matthias Hilty, Zurich
- 09:00-09:30** **PH and comorbidities – what the ERS TF added**  
Speaker: Esther Nosent, Amsterdam, NL
- 09:30-10:15** **Poster Viewing 2**
- 10:15-10:30** **Break**
- 10:15-11:15** **Satellite Symposium MSD: Management of PAH and Latest Therapeutic Advances**  
Chair: Silvia Ulrich, Zurich  
Speaker: Olivier Sitbon, Paris, FR
- 11:15-11:45** **Multidisciplinary management of CTEPH**  
Speaker: Joanna Pepke-Zaba, Cambridge, UK
- 11:45-12:00** **Presentation of the best 3 Abstracts (10' each)**
- 12:00-13:00** **Lunch**
- Chairs:** Silvia Ulrich, Zurich | Silviu Chirila, Basel
- 13:00-13:45** **Pro/Con: Sotartecept/iv prostanoids in higher risk class and actual treatment algorithm**  
Speakers: Pro Sota: Harm Bogaard, Amsterdam, NL |  
Pro iv prostanoidas: Olivier Sitbon, Paris, FR
- 13:45-14:10** **What is new on the horizon – new devices, inhalers and agents to treat PHA**  
Speaker: Ekkehard Grünig, Heidelberg, DE
- 14:10-14:30** **Novel aspects to diagnose and treat PH in lung disease**  
Speaker: Gabor Kovacs, Graz, AT
- 14:30-14:50** **HFpEF – a preventable and treatable disease?**  
Speaker: Ben Levine, Dallas, US
- 14:50-15:30** **Break**
- Chairs:** Andrea Azzola, Lugano | Sabina Guler, Bern
- 15:30-16:00** **Going to high altitude – pathophysiological implication and historical perspectives**  
Speaker: Robert Naeije, Brussels, BE
- 16:00-16:30** **Living at high altitude – chronic diseases and role of erythrocytosis**  
Speaker: Benoit Champigneuille, Grenoble, FR
- 16:30-17:00** **Living and going to high altitude – with pulmonary vascular disease**  
Speaker: Silvia Ulrich, Zurich

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