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Co-chair Dr. Eric Pauli talks with Dr. Eva Deerenberg about this year's Hernia Prevention session at SAGES 2024. Watch for more program highlights in the coming months and help promote SAGES 2024 by downloading the Save the Date PPT slide [here](#).

There's still time left to access 2023 meeting content and CME credits are available through December 15, 2023. Previously registered attendees can access virtual content either [here](#) or on the app website. New attendees can register [here](#). For more information about available CME credits, please go [here](#).

IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES

2024 Robotics Resident and Fellow Courses 2023-2024-Registration Open

2023 Virtual Meeting CME Credits Available Through Dec 15

ABSITE Webinar Review, Part 1
Dec 12

ABSITE Webinar Review, Part 2
Jan 9, 2024

2024 NBT Innovation Weekend
Registration Open!
Feb 22-24, 2024



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Shark Tank 2024 - Applications Open Through December 19
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SAGES is continuing its initiative to educate members on entrepreneurship, and engage and showcase inventors through the Shark Tank business competition.

This year's finalists will again present both their idea and supporting business model to the Shark Tank judges at the **SAGES annual meeting** in Cleveland, April 18, 2024. All semi-finalists will present **in person** at the **NBT Innovation Weekend**, February 23, 2024 in Houston--and will have an opportunity to receive funding through **SINC**, a digital investment platform powered by **Varia Ventures** that allows fellow SAGES members to invest in their idea. Please go [here](#) to register. Don't wait!

SAGES Member Spotlight
Dr. Maria Bailez



Maria Bailez, MD
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"Everyone deserves the best MIS surgery wherever they are," says Dr. Maria Bailez, co-chair of SAGES Global Committee and active participant in SAGES Global Laparoscopic Advancement Program (GLAP).

GLAP is a simulation-based education training program that teaches essential MIS surgery skills and procedures using low-cost models and professional tools to train educators around the world. Today there are ongoing GLAP programs in Costa Rica, Mexico, Uganda and, most recently, Namibia. Last year, she received the SAGES International Ambassador Award at the Namibia GLAP course from then president Dr. John Mellinger.

To read more about Dr. Bailez, please go [here](#). To learn more about SAGES membership and access an online application form, please go [here](#).

Robotics Resident and Fellow Courses 2023-2024 - Registration Now Open

The SAGES Robotics Committee and Resident and Fellow Training (RAFT) Committee invites eligible Residents and MIS Fellows to participate in several newly added SAGES Robotic Resident and Fellow Courses! These one-day courses are designed for Residents and MIS fellows who are currently participating in programs where both robotic surgical systems and general faculty with robotic privileges are available. View additional dates and register at <https://www.sages.org/robotics-raf-course/>. If you have questions, please contact Jillian Kelly at jillian@sages.org.

Wellness Resources on SAGES Website

We cannot emphasize enough the importance of social support during these difficult times. To help in this support, SAGES has compiled a set of international resources and links to aid in the prevention and management of physician burnout and stress.



SAGES Guidelines Committee Announcements

Read our Newly Published Guideline

The joint liver ablation guideline has been published by Surgical Endoscopy and is available on our website. Also available is the systematic review underpinning the upcoming guideline on appendicitis. Find all three on our publications website [here](#).

- Peritoneal Dialysis Access Guideline Update 2023
- SAGES/AHPBA Guidelines for the Use of Microwave and Radiofrequency Liver Ablation for the Surgical Treatment of Hepatocellular Carcinoma or Colorectal Liver Metastases less than 5cm
- Diagnosis and Treatment of Appendicitis: Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

SAGES Programs Represented at RAES

The Romanian Association of Endoscopic Surgery (RAES)



held SAGES Safe Chole session at its annual meeting November 1-4. Thanks to Dr. Catalin Copaescu from RAES and Drs. Michael Brunt, Federico Serrot and Pascal Fuchshuber from SAGES, SAGES Safe Chole was introduced to a large audience of European surgeons with great success.

SAGES' Fundamental Use of Surgical Energy (tm) FUSE program, already well established in Europe, was also represented at RAES. FUSE was designed to educate surgeons and affiliated staff about the safe use of surgical energy-based devices in the OR, endoscopy suite and other procedural areas.

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