

INVITATION TO ESGAR 2026



Dear colleagues and esteemed guests,
Dear friends,

It is with great pleasure and honor that I invite you to the Annual Meeting of the European Society of Gastrointestinal and Abdominal Radiology (ESGAR), which will be held in Montpellier, France, from June 9 to 12, 2026. This edition holds special significance, since we return to this remarkable region, following the success of the congress in La Grande Motte in 2000. We are thrilled to once again convene in such an inspiring setting and to host one of the most prestigious events in our field.

This year, we have the privilege of gathering at Le Corum, Montpellier's prestigious congress center, renowned for hosting major international events. With state-of-the-art facilities and a prime location in the heart of the city, Le Corum offers the ideal setting for scientific exchange and collaboration. Within walking distance of Montpellier's historic center, lively squares, and cultural landmarks, it promises an enriching experience both inside and outside the conference halls.

Montpellier, with its rich medical heritage, is home to Europe's oldest active medical school, founded in the 12th century. For centuries, physicians and scholars have shaped the history of medicine here. What better place, then, to embark on a new chapter in the evolution of imaging?

In this spirit, the congress will open with a postgraduate course entitled „One Story in Four Chapters: A Journey Along the Biliary Tree.“ Like a book, this course will unfold the story of the biliary system, from its embryological origins and normal anatomy to the full spectrum of congenital, inflammatory, infectious, traumatic, and neoplastic conditions affecting it. We will explore the latest diagnostic techniques and interventional strategies, shedding light on complex cases and ensuring a comprehensive understanding of this pivotal system.

The main congress will highlight cutting-edge advancements in gastrointestinal and abdominal imaging, from artificial intelligence to breakthrough techniques in oncologic interventional radiology. Through expert lectures, image-guided therapy sessions, tutorials, interactive workshops, School of ESGAR sessions, and case-based discussions, we aim to provide valuable insights that will directly impact your daily practice and research. Additionally, we will emphasize the importance of multidisciplinary collaboration, recognizing the fundamental role radiology plays in the diagnosis, treatment, and management of abdominal diseases.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the French supporting group members, the Executive and Programme committee, and the dedicated ESGAR staff, whose commitment and fantastic work have made this event possible.

Whether you are an experienced or emerging radiologist, researcher, medical professional, or industry partner in radiology, this congress offers a unique opportunity to share knowledge, gain new insights, and forge lasting connections within a dynamic community shaping the future of abdominal imaging.

We look forward to welcoming you to Montpellier for what promises to be an unforgettable experience!

Warm regards,

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Prof. Ingrid Millet
ESGAR 2026 Meeting President