

INVITATION TO ESGAR 2027



Dear colleagues and friends,

I am proud and excited to welcome you back to Edinburgh and the United Kingdom! Scotland was a cradle of the 18th century European Enlightenment period, with the belief that human reason and scientific inquiry could understand and improve the world. The birth of the ESGAR Enlightenment also began in Scotland, at the British Institute of Radiology meeting in Glasgow in 1988, where the founding idea to create a forum for European subspecialty radiologists was born. Thirty-nine years later, that vision is real. We return to the UK with a meeting that showcases international experts, delivering teaching and a forum to discuss cutting-edge science and clinical practice to benefit patients around the whole world.

ESGAR is the home to a thriving global community of abdominal imagers, and it is a privilege for its British members to host you all! England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland benefit from a very special connection to other countries, and this year representatives from Australia, Canada, India, Ireland, New Zealand, Singapore, and South Africa will contribute to the supporting group shaping our programme.


The Edinburgh International Conference Centre venue hosted ESGAR in 2012. It is a state-of-the-art conference space in the heart of the city, with a wide range of accommodation to stay and excellent connections to trains, trams, buses, and the international airport, which connects directly to 150 destinations in 44 countries.

Our Postgraduate Course is entitled "The Long and Winding Road" in tribute to the Beatles, one of our most famous UK cultural exports! We are making the alimentary tract our focus, creating a fascinating programme which offers new insights into the structure, function and dysfunction of this complex entity with a 'fab four' group of speakers in each session. This promises to be innovative, entertaining and stimulating, delivered by the leading researchers in the field. We will also provide the comprehensive, high quality scientific and educational content in the rest of the conference programme that our delegates have come to expect

and enjoy, including hands-on ultrasound and CT Colonography training and a host of tutorials, lectures and scientific sessions. The programme will appeal to general radiologists and sub-specialists, trainees and experienced radiologists - there is something for everyone!

We particularly welcome first-time delegates, international colleagues, and Young ESGAR members to our ESGAR meeting. We hope that each of you will instantly feel a part of something very special in our ESGAR family and join us at other ESGAR events. Please also consider attending the social events during the conference - make new friends and experience the culture that ESGAR has carefully nurtured from the beginning, which makes it such a special professional society.

See you in Edinburgh in 2027 – a warm welcome awaits!

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Damian Tolan