

Educational Events 2024





AO Spine Europe and South Africa Course Calendar 2024

AO Spine provides accredited and high-quality educational activities to thousands of surgeons and health care professionals each year.

This is a summary of upcoming events in Europe and South Africa. Please note that the information in this document is subject to change. Check our website for the most actual event information.

Registration and details for all AO Spine events including webinars, congress, symposia, and any education activities not listed here can be found online at the course and event finder on our website.

Please click on course title to be directed online to the course page website, or scan the QR code on the back page of this brochure.

Principles Courses		
January 18	Online, 08:00-19:00 (UTC +03:00)	AO Spine Online Local Seminar—Vertebral augmentation at osteoporotic fractures: To whom , when and how?
February 14–15	Paris, France	AO Spine Cours de Base sur Pièces Anatomiques—Les 4 Charnières
February 22–23	Prague, Czech Republic	AO Spine Principles Course—Deformity Management (on 3D Bone Models)
March 1–31	Online, 08:00-19:00 (UTC +03:00)	AO Spine Online Local Seminar—Spinal neoplasm
March 5	Online, 20:00-21:00 CET (UTC +01:00)	AO Spine Principles Webinar—Spinal trauma
April 19–20	Anthering bei Salzburg, Austria	AO Spine Principles Kurs —Notfälle und Degeneration in der Wirbelsäulenchirurgie
April 26–27	Bern, Switzerland	AO Spine Principles Level Specimen Course—From Freehand to Robotics
April 26–27	Brighton, United Kingdom	AO Spine Seminar—Infections
May 18	Antalya, Turkey	AO Spine Principles Course—Case Based (scoliosis) 3 D Bone Model
June 10–11	Rotterdam, Netherlands	AO Spine Principles Level Specimen Course—Decompression and Instrumentation of the Spine (With Human Anatomical Specimens)
September 5–6	Hamburg, Germany	AO Spine Basis Kurs — Operative Techniken der Wirbelsäule
September 12–13	Krakow or Warsaw, Poland	AO Spine Principles Course— Posterior Spinal Approaches and Techniques
September 28–29	Southampton, United Kingdom	AO Spine Principles Course—Managing Spinal Complications
October 25–26	Bucharest, Romania	AO Spine Principles Course–Degenerative Spine

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Advanced Courses		
February 8–9	Tampere, Finland	AO Spine Advanced Level Specimen Course—Posterior Correction of Adult Deformities
March 8–May 2	Online, 13:00-14:00 CET (UTC +01:00)	AO Spine Online Course—The MISS Spectrum Series
March 9–10	Cape Town, South Africa	AO Spine Course—Basic posterior thoracic and lumbar instrumentation techniques (with wetlab)
March 14–15	Porto, Portugal	AO Spine Advanced Level Specimen Course—Minimally Invasive Lumbar Spine Surgery
March 15–17	Warsaw, Poland	AO Spine Advanced Level Specimen Blended Course—Spinal endoscopy and minimally invasive decompression
March 21–22	Bratislava, Slovakia	AO Spine Advanced Seminar—Anterior and lateral approaches and techniques in thoraco-lumbar spine disorders
April 12–13	Frankfurt, Germany	AO Spine Advanced Course—Deformities of the Spine
April 18–19	Vilnius, Lithuania	AO Spine Advanced Seminar—Cervical spine and shoulder interactions: differential diagnosis in terms of clinical presentation and diagnostic work-up as well as surgical solutions
April 26–27	Varna, Bulgaria	AO Spine Advanced Course—Trauma and Degenerative Spine
June 14	TBC, France	AO Spine Symposium—Trucs et astuces: Prise en charge de la spondylolisthésis
September 5–6	Salzburg, Austria	AO Spine DACH Advanced Level Specimen Course—Anterior Spine Surgery and Approaches
September 26–27	Ljubljana, Slovenia	AO Spine Advanced Seminar— Spinal infections
October 27–28	Budapest, Hungary	AO Spine Advanced Level Specimen Course—Resection of spinal tumors
November 14	Ankara, Turkey	AO Spine Advanced Seminar—Lateral approaches and techniques in thoracic and lumbar spine region
December 8–10	Davos, Switzerland	AO Spine Advanced Course—Lumbar Degeneration Procedures (With Human Anatomical Specimen)
December 9–11	Davos, Switzerland	AO Spine Advanced Course—Cervical Spine: Dealing with Complex Deformity and Revision Problems (With Human Anatomical Specimen)
Masters Co	urses	
May 1–31	Budapest, Hungary	AO Spine Masters Seminar—Use of bone cements in spine surgery

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The AO Foundation and DePuy Synthes partnership

For more than 60 years, the AO Foundation has partnered with DePuy Synthes (part of the Johnson & Johnson Family of Companies) to transform surgery and save lives. This collaboration between the two independent organizations is rooted in mutual respect and a shared mission to innovate in surgical education and improve patient outcomes. It is a central part of who we are, as AO.

A cooperation agreement governs the partnership and defines the framework for the areas of collaboration. The AO benefits from DPS support for its hands-on training under an exclusive agreement, and it is in partnership with DPS that AO innovations in patient care are developed for application in a clinical setting. DPS is the key industry partner of the AO Technical Commission (AO TC) and its Global Expert Committees, Expert Groups, and Task Forces in the specialty areas of trauma, spine, craniomaxillofacial, and veterinary surgery.

An unrestricted grant provides DPS support for the AO's global educational offerings while enabling the AO to be fully independent in its selection of course content and faculty: These decisions are made exclusively and independently by the AO. The agreement confirms the independence of the AO and its surgeon volunteers. DPS supports the surgeon education programs for AO Trauma, AO Spine, AO CMF, AO VET, AO Recon, and AO Sports.

The AO and DPS both benefit from this longstanding partnership, which has evolved over the decades. We look forward to many more years of working together, and to seeing how our partnership will mature in the years to come.



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