

European School of Pathology (EScoP) course on Cardiovascular Pathology



Venue: [Maritim pro Arte Hotel Berlin](#)

Address: Dorotheenstraße 65, 10117 Berlin, Germany

Dates: 9-11 February 2026

Faculty:

- Professor Cristina Basso, Department of Cardiac, Thoracic, Vascular Sciences and Public Health, University of Padua, Italy
- Professor Giulia d'Amati, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
- Professor Karin Klingel, Institute for Pathology, University of Tübingen, Germany
- Professor Carla Giordano, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy

Attendance: This course is with on-site attendance only and will not be recorded.



Course language: The course will be provided in English.

Registration fees for the course programme only*:

ESP members (with active membership for 2025 and/or 2026): **400 Euro**

Non-ESP members: **450 Euro**

There is no option for on-site registrations/payments.

The available slots will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Deadline to register: **30 January 2026**

*Registration for the course programme includes access to the course venue, coffee breaks and lunches, access to the online platform with the course material and a personalised certificate of attendance.

For any questions, contact the ESP HQ, at admin@esp-pathology.org having as email subject “**EScoP Berlin 2026**”.

Target audience:

This EScoP course is available for both board-certified pathologists and those in training. Clinical colleagues, as well as Laboratory Scientists/Technicians are welcome to register.

Educational goals:

This EScoP course is an introduction to the subspecialty of Cardiovascular Pathology. The course will present the everyday life of a Cardiovascular Pathologist via means of presenting cases, tips, and challenges. The course programme includes items from autopsy to biopsy, and from macroscopy to reporting.

Bring your case Session:

Course participants are welcome to submit cases of Cardiovascular pathology to be discussed during the slide seminar sessions. All cases have to be submitted in advance of the course. The deadline to submit a case is **30 January 2025**. For more information about case submission, please contact Dr Christos Poullos c.poullos@esp-pathology.org after successful registration. NB: case presentation from participants does not include a separate certificate

By registering for this EScoP Course participants acknowledge and agree with the ESP activities Terms and Conditions, available via this [LINK](#).

Course Programme

All times are for local time in Berlin, Germany

Day 1 – Monday, 9 February 2026			
Time	Duration (min)	Topic	Speaker
08:00	60	Registrations	
09:00	20	Introduction to the course	C. Poullos
	30	Presentation of survey's results	C. Basso, G. d'Amati, C. Giordano
9:50	70	Pathology of the Aorta and its branches	G. d'Amati
11:00	30	Coffee Break	
11:30	90	From gross examination to histologic analysis: methodologic issues and diagnostic criteria Methods, protocols, and scoring systems How to report	C. Giordano
13:00	60	Lunch	
14:00	75	Pathology of native and prosthetic valves: Overview of valvular disease and types of valvular prostheses	C. Basso
15:15	30	Coffee Break	
15:45	90	From gross examination to histologic analysis: methodologic issues and diagnostic criteria Methods and protocols How to report	C. Basso
17:15	60	Slide seminar	All
18:15	30	Summary of the day	

Day 2 – Tuesday, 10 February 2026

Time	Duration (min)	Topic	Speaker
09:00	30	Endomyocardial biopsy: presentation of survey's results	C. Basso, G. d'Amati, C. Giordano, K. Klingel
9:30	90	Main indications for EMB in native hearts Amyloidosis Storage and metabolic diseases Cardiomyopathies Discussion of virtual slides. Make your diagnosis	G. d'Amati, C. Giordano
11:00	30	Coffee Break	
11:30	120	Myocarditis (including overview, methodological issues, guidelines how to interpret, how to report)	C. Basso, K. Klingel
13:30	60	Lunch	
14:30	90	Discussion of virtual slides. Make your diagnosis	K. Klingel
16:00	30	Coffee break	
16:30	60	Cardiac masses	C. Basso, G. d'Amati, C. Giordano
17:30	30	Summary of the day	

Day 3, Wednesday, 11 February 2026

Time	Duration (min)	Topic	Speaker
08:30	90	Autopsy after interventional and surgical procedures: methodological issues and challenging cases	C. Basso
10:00	30	Coffee break	
10:30	60	The grey zones between normal heart and cardiomyopathy	G. d'Amati
11:30	60	Histological evaluation of myocardial damage: methodological issues and differential diagnosis	C. Giordano
12:30	15	Summary of the Course. Last Questions. Take home message	All speakers

ESP has applied for CME accreditation of the course.