

## **EASL – AASLD MASTERCLASS 2017**

**14-16 December 2017**

**PARIS, FRANCE**

### **ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

Laurent Castera, *France*

EASL Young Investigators Concerted Action Group

Anna Lok, AASLD President, *United States*

### **PROGRAMME OVERVIEW**

The EASL and AASLD Masterclass 2017 will provide a unique educational collaboration of clinical scientists from leading academic medical institutions from both sides of the Atlantic.

Participants will attend a two-day intensive training session. The programme will consist of academic lectures, interactive sessions, individual meetings with tutors, as well as social events. Prior to the Masterclass, participants will be assigned to working groups, and each of the groups will be led by a mentor, and provided a task and guidance to complete the tasks.

Selected participants will enjoy an inspiring 2-day training with practical advice on how to enhance their academic and leadership skills to succeed as independent investigators and leaders in academic medicine. Non-scientific related sessions such as: leadership and managerial skills will complement the course to bring future leaders in Hepatology at the forefront of Science and Education.

### **PARTICIPANT SELECTION**

Applications to the course are free and open to all active EASL members who qualify as Young Investigators\*\*. Participants will be selected based on their CV, motivations and recommendation letters. EASL and AASLD have separate application and review processes. The Masterclass is limited to 25 participants maximum.

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## PRELIMINARY\* PROGRAMME

**Thursday, 14 December 2017**

<i>Afternoon</i>	<i>Arrival of course participants</i>
18:00 - 19:30	<b>STORY OF EASL</b> Laurent Castera, <i>France</i> (30 min) <b>STORY OF AASLD</b> Guadalupe Garcia-Tsao, <i>USA</i> (30 min) Discussion (30 min)
19:30	<i>Dinner</i>

**Friday, 15 December 2017**

09:00 - 09:05	<b>Welcome address &amp; introduction</b> Laurent Castera, <i>France</i> Rodrigo Liberal, <i>Portugal</i> Anna Lok, <i>USA</i>
09:05 - 10:35	<b>Session I: Abstract presentations</b> EASL Chair: Annalisa Berzigotti, <i>Switzerland</i> AASLD Chair: Ron Sokol, <i>USA</i>  4 Abstracts will be presented by the Young Investigators: 2 from Europe / 2 from USA
10:35 - 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:00 - 13:00	<b>Leadership &amp; Managerial skills</b>
11:00 - 11:30	<b>30-minute plenary (incl. 10-minute Q&amp;A)</b> Speaker: Paul VanderBroeck, <i>Visiting Leadership Coach at IMD, Switzerland</i>

The leadership skills workshop aims to develop participants' leadership and managerial capacities. Participants increase their personal understanding of leadership and then close the gap between this understanding and effective action. The programme also looks at how leaders build networks. The principles of the workshop are as follows:

1. Understand what makes a leader and learn to adjust the behavioural model to each participant and its organisation

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2. Each participant will compare and contrast himself/herself with a variety of leaders by analysing their styles through video and film
3. Diagnose the political landscape of the organisation and get things done through effective informal networks
4. Use feedback for self-improvement and acquire new coaching skills to develop an individual action plan

**11:30 – 13:00**                      **Solve the case: Working groups & group presentations**

The participants will be divided into 3 groups and will work in parallel.

Includes 1 hour workshop + 30 minutes of restitution in plenary (10 minutes each) -> take home message

1. How to deal with a difficult employee  
Paul Vanderbroeck, *Visiting Leadership Coach at IMD, Switzerland*
2. How to set up a collaborative research team?  
Massimo Pinzani, *UK* and Harvey Alter, *USA*
3. Hiring and supervising research team members  
Frank Tacke, *Germany* and Gyongyi Szabo, *USA*

**13:00 – 14:00**                      **Lunch Break**

**14:00 – 16:00**                      **Case-based discussion / 120 minutes**

2 EU Participants and 1 USA Participant – 30 minutes each

- Group 1: Viral hepatitis  
Moderator Francesco Negro, *Switzerland* / Anna Lok, *USA*
- Group 2: Metabolic & cholestatic  
Moderator Ron Sokol, *USA* / Frank Tacke, *Germany*
- Group 3: Complications of cirrhosis  
Moderator Guadalupe Garcia Tsao, *USA* / Annalisa Berzigotti, *Switzerland*
- Group 4: Basic Science  
Moderator Massimo Pinzani, *UK* / Gyongyi Szabo, *USA*

**16:00 – 16:30**                      **Coffee Break**

**16:30 – 18:00**

**Story of my life**

Anna Lok, *USA* (30 min + 15 min discussion)

Peter Jansen, *Netherlands* (30 min + 15 min discussion)

18:00 – 19:00                      Poster session  
19:00                                      *Dinner*

## Saturday, 16 December 2017

09:00 - 10:30                      Ethics in Science  
EASL Chair: Antonello Pietrangelo, *Italy*

### 1. Authorship

Presenter: Anna Lok, *USA*  
Challenger: Laurent Castera, *France*

### 2. Research misconduct

Presenter: Massimo Pinzani, *UK*  
Challenger: Gyongyi Szabo, *USA*

### 3. Conflict of interest

Presenter: Ron Sokol, *USA*  
Challenger: Francesco Negro, *Switzerland*

Case-based presentations: 2 partners per topic: one presenter (one challenger | EU / | US)  
The audience will be asked how they would manage such a situation (25min interactive presentation (one or 2 cases) + 5 minute discussions each)

10:30 - 11:00                      *Coffee break*

11:00 - 12:00                      Pros & cons

2 European participants Vs 2 US participants (1 presenter / 1 supporter in each team)

Topic: alcohol and transplant

EASL Moderator: Mark Thursz, *UK*

AASLD Moderator: Guadalupe Garcia Tsao, *USA*

Wrap up & discussion

Pre-and post-voting by audience to determine who wins

12:00 - 12:30                      From non-A, non-B hepatitis to hepatitis C cure  
Speaker: Harvey Alter, *USA*

12:30                                      Closing remarks EASL  
Frank Tacke AASLD: Ron Sokol, *USA*

12:45 – 13:30                      *Lunch*