



# SW 11

## HANDS-ON SPINE SURGERY COURSE

PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOP  
WORLD SPINE XI

**September 08<sup>th</sup> – 09<sup>th</sup>, 2026**



Saarland University  
Homburg Saar



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## HANDS-ON SPINE COURSE – Pre-Congress Workshop – World Spine XI

An intensive two-day **cadaver-based spine surgery training** designed to provide true operative experience under realistic conditions.

**Core focus:**

### High-quality cadaver dissection

- Training on anatomical specimens prepared using the **Fix for Life®** method
- Preserved natural tissue texture and anatomical realism
- Authentic tactile feedback comparable to live surgery
- Clear intraoperative anatomical orientation

### Structured hands-on setup

- 18 fully equipped dissection stations
- 3 participants per specimen
- Close supervision by experienced spine neurosurgeons

### Surgical spectrum

- Open cervical, thoracic, lumbar and lumbosacral approaches
- Minimally invasive techniques (XLIF, TLIF)
- Endoscopic procedures  
(full-endoscopic and tubular approaches)

### Participants gain:

- Real dissection experience
- Improved anatomical confidence
- Refined surgical workflow
- Direct technical exchange with international experts

This course is centered on cadaver-based surgical training — providing realistic anatomy, controlled learning, and operative precision.



*Dear colleagues,*

The Pre-Congress Workshop World Spine XI offers an intensive hands-on training experience on cadaver specimens, designed to give participants direct, practical exposure to key spine surgery techniques. With a deliberately small number of participants per station, the course ensures close supervision, am-

ple individual practice time, and high-quality interaction with a renowned international faculty. This focused, skills-oriented format provides an ideal environment to refine surgical technique and prepare for the main congress program.

*Sincerely yours,*



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joachim Oertel".

Prof. Dr. med. Joachim Oertel

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### COURSE DIRECTOR

Prof. Joachim Oertel

### LOCAL ORGANIZATION

Magomed Lepshokov, M.D.

Fadel Al-Awamleh, M.D.

## INVITATION LETTER

Please do not hesitate to contact us via email if you need an invitation letter to participate in our workshop. We regret that this invitation

does not include travel expenses, personal insurance, accommodation costs or registration fees.

## **PARTICIPATION FEE INCLUDES**

- Hands-On Sessions
- Course book
- Equipment, cadavers/simulators
- Coffee breaks & lunch
- Certificate of Attendance

## **NOT INCLUDED**

- Travel expenses
- Accommodation
- Personal insurance

## **LANGUAGE**

English

## **REGISTRATION**

Limited availability – early registration recommended.

## **REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT**

Registration is limited - Early enrollment is encouraged. Registration is only confirmed after payment is received. By registering, you accept our general terms and conditions. Payment is due within 14 days. Otherwise the registration can not be guaranteed. Registration and payment is possible via our website

## PROGRAMM (PRELIMINARY)

### TUESDAY, 08 SEPTEMBER 2026

07:30 – 8:00	Registration & Welcome Coffee	Central Lecture Hall, Build. 35
08:00 – 12:00	Lectures	
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch break	
13:00 – 16:00	Hands-on Course	Anatomy, Build. 61
16:30	Closing & Certificates	Central Lecture Hall, Build. 35
18:00	Get Together	

### WEDNESDAY, 09 SEPTEMBER 2026

07:30 - 8:00	Registration & Welcome Coffee	Central Lecture Hall, Build. 35
08:00 – 11:30	Lectures	
11:30 – 12:30	Lunch	
12:30 – 16:00	Hands-on Course	Anatomy, Build. 61
14:30	Closing Remarks & Certificates	

## PARTICIPATION FEE FOR HANDS-ON SPINE COURSE (08.09.–09.09.2026)

	Early Bird <i>(until 04th of May 2026)</i>	Regular
Single participant	900,- €	1000,- €
Single participant <i>(members of WSCS)</i>	850,- €	950,- €
Group ticket <i>(2 persons and more, price per person)</i>	850,- €	950,- €

Registration for the Hands-On Spine Course gives participants a 50% discount on registration for the World Spine XI Congress. Confirmation of the workshop booking is required to activate the discount and will be issued after full payment has been received.

Cancellations must be submitted in written form and are subject to the following conditions:

- **Until August 11, 2026:** Refund possible (10% + processing fees of the bank)\*
- **After August 11, 2026:** No refund \* To cover bank costs and processing fees



Location:  
Central Lecture Hall, Build. 35



Location:  
Anatomy, Build. 61

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