

Message from the President

Dear Colleagues, Members and Friends

Sadar Namaskar!

It is with immense pride and joy that I welcome you to the IAGES MIDTERM Conference MID-IAGES 2025, to be held from 24th to 26th October in the enchanting coastal town of Kanyakumari with the Theme - The Wavestorm: Integrating AI, Robotics & Minimal Invasive Excellence at a place where the three oceans embrace, offering a serene backdrop for reflection, learning, and unity.

This year's Midterm Conference is more than just an academic gathering; it is a celebration of our collective journey in the field of Minimally Invasive Surgery. It is a moment to pause, reconnect, rejuvenate, and reimagine the future of surgical care. Whether you are a seasoned expert, a budding surgeon, or a passionate innovator, this event is designed to inspire and elevate.

Our thoughtfully curated academic sessions with multiple Fellowship courses in Laparoscopy, Endoscopy and Robotics will feature global pioneers and national stalwarts sharing cutting-edge advancements. The hands-on workshops, live demonstrations, orations, invited lectures and interactive symposia will provide invaluable learning experiences, ensuring we remain at the forefront of surgical excellence.

IAGES has always been a family bound by shared purpose and passion. This conference will serve as a melting pot of ideas, cultures, and friendships. From meaningful discussions to informal camaraderie, the bonds formed here will empower us long after the event concludes.

As President, my vision is rooted in nurturing talent and fostering mentorship. The Young IAGES initiatives and outreach programs continue to light the path for emerging surgeons across the country. Let this conference serve as a catalyst for growth—for our members, our organization, and the communities we serve.

Alongside the scientific proceedings, we will convene the IAGES Executive Committee meeting, bringing together the leadership team to review our progress, refine our strategies, and reaffirm our commitment to the association's mission. This forum is vital for fostering transparency, aligning our goals, and setting a dynamic roadmap for the months ahead. I look forward to productive deliberations that will shape the future course of IAGES with renewed energy and collaborative spirit.

Kanyakumari, the Land's End of India, offers a tranquil yet majestic setting for our conference. As we gather at this symbolic confluence, let us draw inspiration from nature's harmony and carry that spirit into our practice.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Organizing Committee under leadership of our dynamic Honorary Secretary Dr T Sivakumar for their tireless efforts and unwavering commitment to excellence. I also thank every delegate for choosing to be a part of this vibrant celebration of science, skill, and solidarity.

Together, let us reaffirm our commitment to compassionate care, continuous learning, and the pursuit of surgical brilliance.

With warm regards and best wishes for a successful learning and social experience,

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