# Seoul International Gastric Cancer Forum 2026

## 55th KLASS Workshop

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Lee Kun Hee Auditorium,
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Seoul Nat'l Univ. Hospital

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| 08:00 – 08:45 | Registration | |
| 08:45 – 08:50 | Opening remark | Do Joong Park Chairman, Korean Laparoendoscopic Gastrointestinal Surgery Study Group (KLASS) |
| 08:50 – 08:55 | Welcome remark | Yoon Ok Ahn Chairman, Korean Foundation for Cancer Research (KFCR) |
| 08:55 – 09:00 | Welcome remark | Hyuk-Joon Lee Program Organizer, Seoul International Gastric Cancer Forum 2026; Chairman of Board of Directors, Korean Gastric Cancer Association (KGCA); Seoul National University Hospital (SNUH) |
| **09:00 – 10:10** | **Session I Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy for Resectable AGC** | Chairpersons : Woo Jin Hyung Yonsei Univ., Korea; Keun-Wook Lee Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea |
| 09:00 – 09:15 | How to avoid unnecessary preoperative chemotherapy? | Cheong-Il Shin Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea |
| 09:15 – 09:30 | How to apply neoadjuvant chemotherapy? | Tae Yong Kim Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea |
| 09:30 – 09:45 | Surgery after neoadjuvant chemotherapy | Ziyu Li Peking University Cancer Hospital, China |
| 09:45 – 10:00 | Pathologic report after neoadjuvant chemotherapy | Myeong-Cherl Kook National Cancer Center, Korea |
| 10:00 – 10:10 | Discussion | Seung Jong Oh Inha Univ., Korea; Hye-Seong Ahn Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea; Myoung-Won Son Soonchunhyang Univ., Korea |
| 10:10 – 10:30 | Coffee break | |
| **10:30 – 11:40** | **Session II Innovations in Gastric Cancer Research: From Models to Clinical Practice** | Chairpersons : Seong-Ho Kong Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea; Hoon Hur Ajou Univ., Korea |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | New insights into the gastroesophageal tumor microenvironment and novel therapeutic approaches | Sandra Ryeom Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, USA |
| 10:45 – 11:00 | Tumor-resident microbiome and immune response in gastric cancer | Yun-Suhk Suh Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea |
| 11:00 – 11:15 | Bioprinting technologies enabling organoid-assisted alternative test platforms | Jinah Jang POSTECH, Korea |
| 11:15 – 11:30 | Fluorescence-guided gastric cancer surgery: ICG and novel probes | Cuong Duong Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Australia |
| 11:30 – 11:40 | Discussion | Ye Seob Jee Dankook Univ., Korea; In Seob Lee Ulsan Univ., Korea; Tae-Han Kim Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea |
| 11:40 – 12:50 | Lunch | |
| 12:50 – 13:10 | Jin-Pok Kim's Award for the Best Cancer Research in Korea (김진복 암연구상 시상식) | |
| **13:10 – 13:30** | **Special Lecture** | Chairperson : Han-Kwang Yang National Cancer Center, Korea |
| 13:10 – 13:30 | Future perspectives of MIS for gastric cancer | Tsuyoshi Etoh Oita University, Japan |
| **13:30 – 14:40** | **Session III Updates of MIS Gastrectomy for GC** | Chairpersons : In Gyu Kwon Yonsei Univ., Korea; Mi Ran Jung Chonnam Nat'l Univ., Korea |
| 13:30 – 13:45 | KLASS-07 | Sungsoo Park Korea Univ., Korea |
| 13:45 – 14:00 | KLASS-12 | Han-Hong Lee Catholic Univ., Korea |
| 14:00 – 14:15 | Robotic gastrectomy in Japan | Hiroya Takeuchi Hamamatsu University, Japan |
| 14:15 – 14:30 | Robotic gastrectomy in China | Yanbing Zhou Qingdao University, China |
| 14:30 – 14:40 | Discussion | Sang Eok Lee Konyang Univ., Korea; Dong-Jin Kim Catholic Univ., Korea; Shin-Hoo Park Eulji Univ., Korea |
| 14:40 – 15:00 | Coffee break | |
| **15:00 – 16:10** | **Session IV Management of Stage IV GC** | Chairpersons : Kyung-Won Seo Kosin Univ., Korea; Ji Yeong An Sungkyunkwan Univ., Korea |
| 15:00 – 15:15 | Role of surgery in stage IV gastric cancer | Dong-Wook Kim Dankook Univ., Korea |
| 15:15 – 15:30 | Clinical trial for stage IV gastric cancer in Japan | Takaki Yoshikawa Yokohama City University, Japan |
| 15:30 – 15:45 | Timing of conversion surgery in gastric cancer | Chungyoon Kim Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea |
| 15:45 – 16:00 | Intraperitoneal chemotherapy in stage IV gastric cancer | Piers Boshier Imperial College London, UK |
| 16:00 – 16:10 | Discussion | Young Suk Park Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea; Chang-In Choi Pusan Nat'l Univ., Korea; Maria Bencivenga Verona Univ., Italy |
| 16:10 – 16:30 | Coffee break | |
| **16:30 – 17:40** | **Session V Function Preservation & Perioperative Care** | Chairpersons : Keun Won Ryu National Cancer Center, Korea; Oh-Kyung Kwon Kyungpook Nat' l Univ., Korea |
| 16:30 – 16:45 | SENORITA: balance between safety and function | Bang Wool Eom National Cancer Center, Korea |
| 16:45 – 17:00 | Updates of PPG | Souya Nunobe Cancer Institute Hospital, Japan |
| 17:00 – 17:15 | Feasibility of tailored gastrectomy aided by fluorescence LN navigation | Seong-Ho Kong Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea |
| 17:15 – 17:30 | Pre & rehabilitation in gastric cancer surgery | Hyoung-Il Kim Yonsei Univ., Korea |
| 17:30 – 17:40 | Discussion | Hong Man Yoon National Cancer Center, Korea; Dong-Seok Han Seoul Nat'l Univ., Korea; Felix Berlth University Hospital Tübingen, Germany |
| 17:40 | Closing | Hyuk-Joon Lee Chairman of Board of Directors, Korean Gastric Cancer Association (KGCA) |

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