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Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the Special Interest Group on Ventilation and Oxygen Therapy of the Swiss Society of Pneumology, we are pleased to welcome you to the Second Swiss Symposium on Home Mechanical Ventilation, which will take place on 29–30 October 2026 at the Centre Loewenberg in Murten/Morat, Switzerland.

Building on the success of the first symposium in 2023, this 2-day meeting targets all health care workers involved in home mechanical ventilation: pulmonary physicians, physiotherapists, specialized nurses. It will bring together national and international experts and offer a multidisciplinary platform for exchange between healthcare professionals from different medical fields, care settings and regions, with a strong focus on clinical practice and future developments.

The scientific programme includes six plenary sessions addressing key topics such as: monitoring of long-term NIV, assisted servo ventilation, high-flow therapy, pediatrics, management of patients with neuromuscular disorders, and other relevant aspects of long-term ventilation.

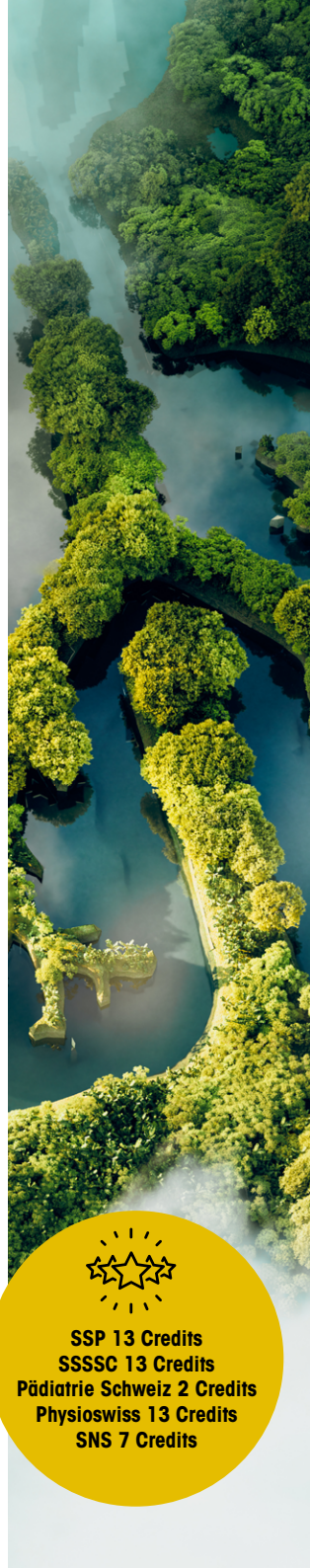
In addition, three interactive “Meet the Expert” sessions will allow close exchange with specialists through short, interactive case-based presentations.

We are looking forward to sharing this event with you.
Best regards,

Dr. med.
Grégoire Gex,
Sion

Prof. Dr. med.
Jean-Paul Janssens,
Geneva

Prof. Dr. med.
Esther Irene Schwarz,
Zurich



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Agenda

08:45 Welcome

1st plenary session Monitoring long-term NIV

Chairpersons: G. Gex | H. Prigent

09:00	Algorithms for basic follow-up	G. Gex
09:15	Monitoring CO ₂ : capnography, ABG, HCO ₃	J. Rüdiger
09:30	Patient ventilator-asynchrony: types, impact, prognosis	J-P. Janssens
09:45	Telemonitoring: what do we gain? What do we lose? (ERS statement)	J-M. Arnal
10:00	Q&A Session with all speakers	All speakers and chairs of this session

10:30 Coffee break and visit of exhibit

2nd plenary session Assisted servo ventilation (ASV)

Chairpersons: A-K. Brill | W. Randerath

11:00	CSA with CSR in CHF: where are we?	E. Schwarz
11:15	Non cardiogenic CSA: work-up, prognosis	A-K. Brill
11:30	ASV: for whom in 2026: ERS/AASM statements; US vs European recommendations	W. Randerath
11:55	ASV: algorithms & settings	A. Kharat
12:10	Q&A Session with all speakers	All speakers and chairs of this session

12:30 Lunch Break



Meet the experts – Session 1

13:30

Room Blue

Ventilator curve analysis (includes PVA, case analysis only)

Chair: D. Adler

Speakers: J-M. Arnal | C. Rabec

13:30

Room Red

Airway Clearance (includes MIE): for whom? devices on the market, settings; curve analysis

Chair: M. Toussaint

Speakers: T. Andersen | M. Delorme

13:30

Room Green

Cases monitored with sleep studies

Chair: J-P. Janssens

Speakers: E. Schwarz | S. Van den Broecke

13:30

Room Yellow

Technical options : humidifiers, tubes, O2 connexion, valves, different circuits...

Chair: A-K. Brill

Speakers: H. Prigent | A-L. Kleiven

13:30

Plenary Room

13:30 | **Better secretion management with curve interpretation? CARO makes it possible!**

Session by Löwenstein

Speaker: M. Goller

14:00 | **Innovations in Respiratory Care & Digital Health**

Session by Resmed

Speaker: K. Pietron



3rd plenary session
High flow therapy

Chairpersons: C. Crimi | J. Bräunlich

14:40	HFT: how does it work, choice of prongs, settings, requirements for high FiO ₂	G. Gex
14:55	HFT in the chronic setting: bronchiectasis	C. Crimi
15:10	COPD in the chronic setting: when do we choose HFT?	J. Bräunlich
15:25	Rehabilitation in severe respiratory impairment: NIV or HFT?	S. Vaudan
15:40	Q&A Session with all speakers	All speakers and chairs of this session

16:00 Coffee break and visit of exhibit

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Meet the experts – Session 2

16:30	Room Blue Ventilator curve analysis (includes PVA, case analysis only) Chair: D. Adler Speakers: J-M. Arnal C. Rabec
16:30	Room Red Airway Clearance (includes MIE): for whom? devices on the market, settings; curve analysis Chair: M. Toussaint Speakers: T. Andersen M. Delorme
16:30	Room Green Cases monitored with sleep studies Chair: J-P. Janssens Speakers: E. Schwarz S. Van den Broecke
16:30	Room Yellow Technical options : humidifiers, tubes, O2 connexion, valves, different circuits... Chair: A-K. Brill Speakers: H. Prigent A-L. Kleiven
16:30	Plenary Room 16:30 Better secretion management with curve interpretation? CARO makes it possible! Session by Löwenstein Speaker: M. Goller 17:00 Innovations in Respiratory Care & Digital Health Session by Resmed Speaker: K. Pietron
17:45	End of the first day Apéro
19:00	Dinner

Ihr Partner auf dem Weg zu erholsamem Schlaf und gesunder Atmung



4th plenary session **Pediatrics**

Chairpersons: M. Giarrana Kaufmann | M. Gaboli

08:00	Patient intervention: video: compliance to NIV – what was helpful and what not – patient perspectives and learnings	M. Giarrana Kaufmann
08:15	Swiss registry of children with home respiratory support (and others including UK registry)	C. Fernández Elviro
08:30	Position paper by the SIG HMV for the SGPP	R. Corbelli
08:45	Tracheostomy or NIV in children	M. Gaboli
09:00	Monitoring NIV in children: the essentials, use of PSG	L. Benz
09:15	Q&A Session with all speakers	All speakers and chairs of this session

09:30 **Coffee break and visit of exhibit**

Meet the experts – Session 3

10:00	<u>Room Blue</u> Ventilator curve analysis (includes PVA, case analysis only) Chair: D. Adler Speakers: J-M. Arnal C. Rabec	
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10:00	<u>Room Green</u> Cases monitored with sleep studies Chair: G. Gex Speakers: E. Schwarz S. Van den Broecke	
10:00	<u>Plenary Room</u> 10:00 Home NIV: Meaningful Monitoring with PHILIPS Care Orchestrator Online Session by Philips Chair: A-K. Brill Speaker: D. Puoti	10:30 Advanced tips on masks from the Romand Intercantonal League Mask Group: hybrid combinations of masks and headgear, evaluations of new masks and other tips Session by SIG NIV O2 Speaker: Claire Jean and Fabienne Bricart



5th plenary session

Neuromuscular disorders

Chairpersons: B. Messer | M. Ramsay

11:10	Medical challenges related to prolonged survival: new standards of care	B. Messer
11:25	Early ventilation in ALS: does it work?	M. Ramsay
11:40	Mouth-piece ventilation: when? for whom? settings	M. Toussaint
11:55	Unmet needs of patients & caregivers (practical aspects)	A-L. Kleiven
12:10	Management of bulbar dysfunction in ALS and other NMD	M. Georges
12:25	Q&A Session with all speakers	All speakers and chairs of this session

12:45 Lunch Break

6th plenary session

Health related quality of life, ACPe, cognition

Chairpersons: S. Stanzel | A. Armstrong

13:45	Choice of mask and adherence	C. Cantero
14:00	Discussion	
14:05	Deventilation dyspnea: new hypotheses, management	S. Stanzel
14:20	Travelling with NIV/TPPV	A. Armstrong
14:35	Cognition and NIV	J-P. Janssens
14:50	Advance care planning and palliative care in long term HMV	L. Hentsch
15:05	Q&A Session with all speakers	All speakers and chairs of this session
15:30	Closing, end of symposium	



Information

Faculty

National

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Target audience

- Pulmonologists
- Physiotherapists
- Home care providers
- Nurses

Accreditation

29.10.2026

7 Credits SSP
7 Credits Physioswiss
7 Credits SSSSC
2 Credits SNS

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6 Credits SSP
6 Credits Physioswiss
6 Credits SSSSC
5 Credits SNS
2 Credits Pädiatrie Schweiz

Participation fee

Physicians

*Physicians in training,
nurses and physiotherapists*

Both days:

CHF 400.–

CHF 300.–

One day:

CHF 200.–

CHF 150.–

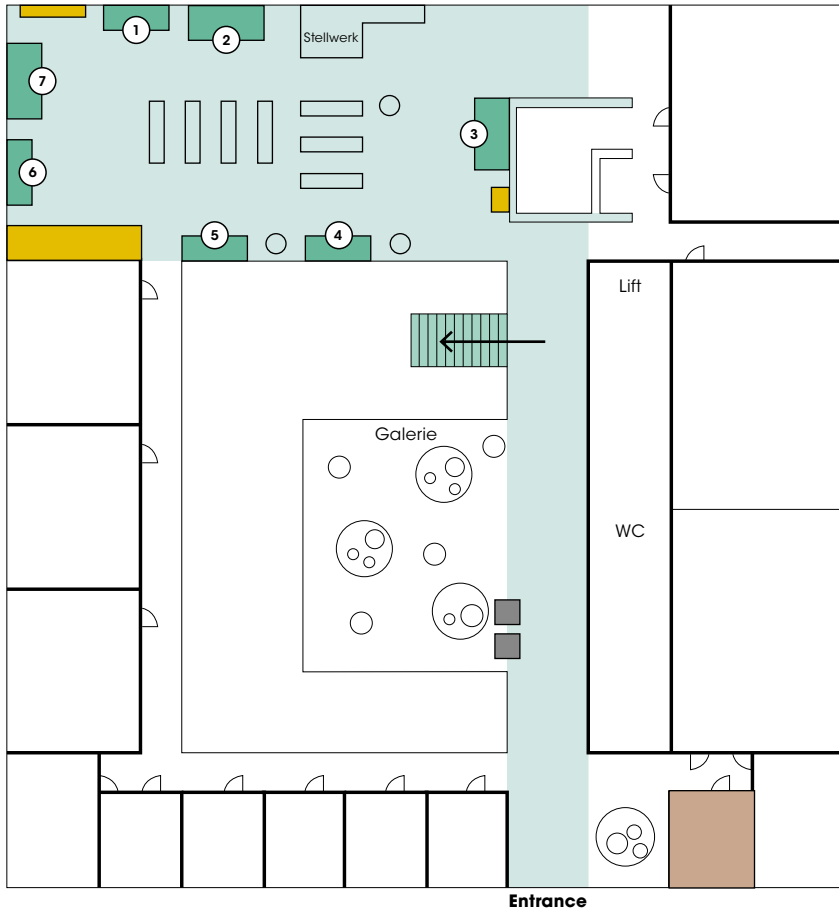
Dinner, 29.10.2026:

CHF 100.–



Exhibition & Catering Plan

Ground Floor - Level 0



Exhibitors

- 1 Vivisol
- 2 Löwenstein
- 3 Philips AG Respirationics
- 4 Lungenliga
- 5 Sanofi
- 6 Sentec
- 7 ResMed

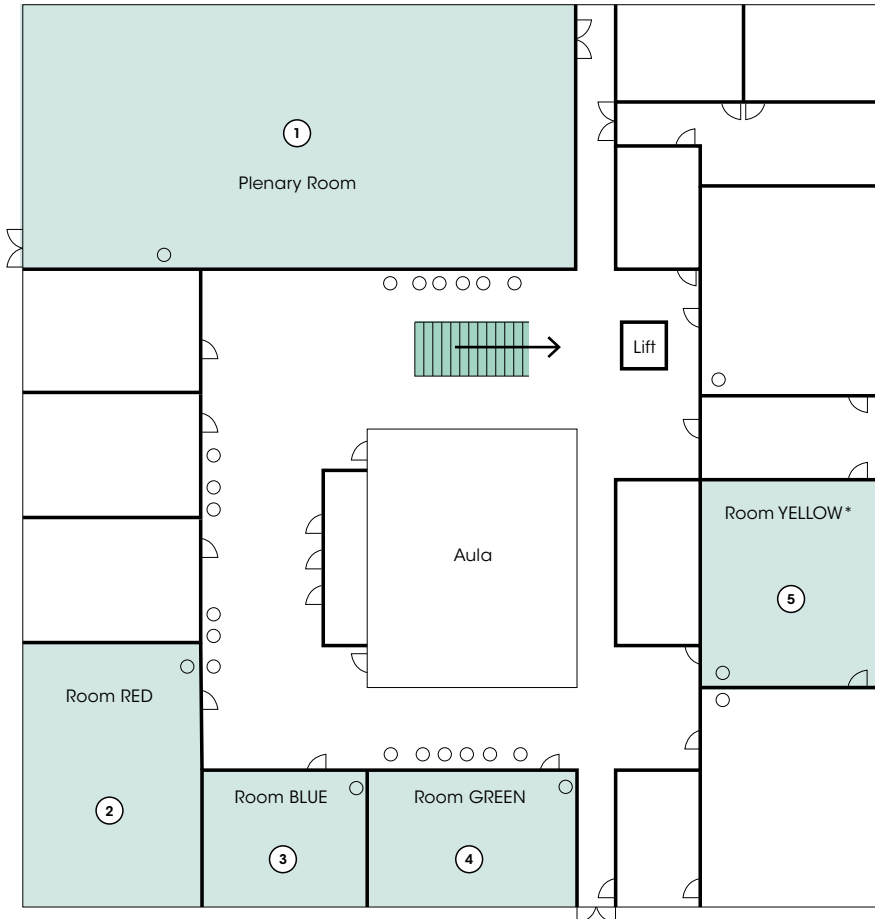
Exhibition & Catering

- Welcome Desk
- Catering (Coffee & Beverage Stations)
- Cloak Room



Congress Rooms

Level -1



Congress Floor

- 1** Plenary Room
- 2** Room RED | Airway Clearance (includes MIE): for whom? devices on the market, settings; curve analysis
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