European Society of Surgical Oncology

STRATEGIC PLAN 2018 - 2022

ESSO congress

ESSO’s congress brings together general and cancer surgeons from all over the world by offering a cutting-edge scientific programme including debates, update symposia, technical workshops and educational sessions. It creates a forum for discussions, interactions and networking with experts in the cancer surgery field.

Objectives

To establish an annual meeting attracting a larger multidisciplinary audience and deliver a must-attend forum where cancer surgeons from different specialties and backgrounds interact, debate and learn from each other.

Strategy

Restructure the congress model and adapt it to the needs of trainees and young surgeons, focusing on hands on workshops, interdisciplinary sessions and interactive debates.

ESSO education

ESSO provides a wide range of educational opportunities and initiatives in line with its core curriculum. These include basic and advanced courses, Meet-the-Expert webinars, training fellowships, congress bursaries, international exchange programs as well as the UEMS Examinations in Surgical Oncology and Breast Cancer Surgery.

Objectives

To establish ESSO as a brand that denotes high quality training at the forefront of surgical practice.

To make ESSO educational courses the must-attend, recurrent, update training for all surgical oncologists.

To help surgeons meet the necessary standards of care for the benefit of patients across Europe.

Strategy

Understand the educational needs of members through membership surveys and participants’ feedback in order to develop tailored education.

Develop links with academic institutions to offer recognized diplomas/degrees with transferable value.
MISSION STATEMENT

ESSO’s mission is to support its members in advancing the science and practice of surgical oncology for the benefit of cancer patients. The Society aims to achieve this through a range of activities related to education, research and leadership in multidisciplinary care.

VISION

ESSO’s vision is to represent the most established cancer treatment. To this end, ESSO will develop standards of care for cancer patients through its core values, as well as its activities in the field of education, homogenisation of skills, quality healthcare and ultimately qualification.