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# Cardiology Update Davos 2019

## The biennial ESC Update Programme in Davos, Switzerland, takes place again 16-20 February 2019

*Cardiology Update* in Davos belongs to the major meetings in the field of cardiology in Europe. Following a long tradition, this will be the 23rd *Cardiology Update* Course which takes place every second year. The course was founded in 1975 by the two renowned cardiologists Bertram Pitt from Ann Arbor, MI, USA and the deceased Paul Lichtlen, former cardiology chairman in Hannover, Germany. It began as a small informal intimate meeting, which grew substantially over the years and now hosts up to 600 participants from 46 different countries.

The course is a joint educational programme organized by the *Zurich Heart House*, the *University of Zurich* and the *European Society of Cardiology* (ESC) together with the *Brigham and Women's Hospital* in Boston, and the *University of Michigan School of Medicine*. It, therefore, benefits from a truly transatlantic spirit by highlighting both European and US cardiology practice and treatment modalities. A distinguished international teaching faculty contributes to an outstanding programme on the latest scientific and therapeutic developments, as well as on new interventional and treatment strategies in cardiology. A special emphasis will be placed on the presentation and clinical implementation of the new ESC guideline updates, which have been introduced at the ESC Congress in Munich in August 2018.

The team of the founding Director Bertram Pitt from *Ann Arbor* and Thomas F. Lüscher from *Zurich and London*, who have acted as the European course directors for more than 20 years, was recently enlarged to include Peter Libby and Marc Pfeffer representatives from *Boston*. In addition, for the course in 2019 two outstanding Swiss cardiologists and experts in the field of preventive and interventional cardiology, François Mach from the *University Hospital Geneva* and Stephan Windecker from the *University Hospital Berne* are included as directors.

The educational objectives are to review and disseminate the latest knowledge of the advances in prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular disease and to provide a platform for open dialogue with international opinion leaders in cardiology.

*Cardiology Update* is designed for clinicians specialized in cardiology but is also valuable for internal and general medicine specialists with an interest in cardiovascular diseases. In addition to state-of-the-art lectures the course offers many interactive features including, meet the expert sessions, clinical decision seminars, live-video cases as well as moderated poster sessions.

A special emphasis is placed for the inclusion of young cardiologists by offering them a dedicated session designed by the *Swiss Cardiologists of Tomorrow (SCOT)*. The spirit of the course is a stimulating working and learning environment combined with many opportunities for networking between faculty members and participants.

Programme and registration: [www.cardiologyupdate.ch](http://www.cardiologyupdate.ch)



Meet the expert session with Julia Stehli from Melbourne, Marc Pfeffer, Boston and Roger Lehmann, Zurich

Founding Director Bertram Pitt in discussion with Salim Yusuf, Hamilton

Patrick Aebischer, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, receiving Paul Lichtlen Lecture award from Thomas Lüscher

Peter Libby, Boston,