ASPS International Young Plastic Surgeons Forum

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PLASTIC SURGERY THE MEETING 2026
HOUSTON, TEXAS

International Young Plastic Surgeons Forum (IYPS)

Connect. Collaborate. Shape the Future.

Connect with the next generation of plastic surgery leaders to share ideas, build global relationships and shape the future of the specialty.

SATURDAY
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12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

EXHIBIT HALL
Resource Center
Booth #1123

12:30 – 12:35 p.m.	**Welcome & Opening Remarks** Setting the stage for a global conversation with the next generation of plastic surgery leaders. • Luis Sandoval, MD — *IYPS Forum Lead* • Rado Zic, MD, PhD — *GLF President* • Gregory Greco, DO, FACS — *International Subcommittee Chair*
12:35 – 12:50 p.m.	**Panel 1 — Global Perspectives: Opportunities and Challenges** *Insights from young plastic surgeons around the world.* • Rezarta Kapaj, MD — *Albania* • Claudia R. Albornoz, MD — *Chile* • Douglas Fraga, MD — *Brazil* • Tatiana Luna Pisciotti, MD — *Colombia*
12:50 – 1:05 p.m.	**Panel 2 — Education, Training and Innovation** *New approaches to learning, skills development and the role of innovation in a changing world.* • Dhanushya Gohil — *India* • Arito Kurazono, MD — *Japan* • Sik Ryan Namgoong, MD, PhD — *South Korea* • Christoph Wallner, MD — *Germany*
1:05 – 1:20 p.m.	**Panel 3 — Building Global Networks and Collaborations** *How to create meaningful international partnerships and advance opportunities for young surgeons.* • Or Friedman, MD, MBA, LLB — *Israel* • Prodromos Papaioannou, MD — *Greece* • Hani Alkhalaf, MD — *Saudi Arabia* • Nadir Meghji, MD — *Tanzania*
1:20 – 1:35 p.m.	**Panel 4 — Career Development and Leadership** *Practical strategies for growth, leadership and making an impact in plastic surgery.* • Yuri Moresco de Oliveira, MD — *Mexico* • Carlos Cutini Cingozoglu — *Argentina* • Andres Romero, MD — *Costa Rica* • Edmar Soares Lessa, MD — *Brazil*
1:35 – 1:50 p.m.	**Panel 5 — A Vision for the Future** *What the next generation wants, needs and envisions for the future of our specialty.* • Juan Pablo Menendez Zavala, MD — *Ecuador* • Oscar Fernandez Diaz, MD — *Mexico* • Benjamin Khoda, MD — *United Kingdom* • Faustin Ntirenganya, MD — *Rwanda*
1:50 – 2:00 p.m.	**Closing Remarks & Call to Action**