

# BOOTS ON THE GROUND

## UNIportal 360° AFTER INDUCTION I/O

THORACIC MINIMALLY  
INVASIVE SURGERY  
REAL WORLD CASES, REAL WORLD RISKS

*Prof. Edoardo Mercadante*

ROME, 23-24 MARCH 2026  
IRCCS REGINA ELENA NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

Surgical treatment of lung cancer following neoadjuvant chemo-immunotherapy represents one of the most technically demanding frontiers in contemporary thoracic surgery.

Induction-treated patients frequently present complex inflammatory changes that challenge surgical exposure, tissue handling, and oncological precision, requiring advanced expertise and a high level of proficiency in minimally invasive techniques.

This course is specifically designed to showcase real-world surgical practice in lung cancer patients undergoing resection after induction therapy. Through live surgery, participants will directly observe how these demanding cases are approached and managed using the full spectrum of contemporary uniportal techniques, ranging from uniportal VATS to uniportal robotic platforms, including the Xi and SP da Vinci systems.

The course will host thoracic surgeons attending on site, together with a broad international audience connected via live streaming, fostering wide dissemination of experience and interactive, case-based discussion.

By deliberately focusing on unselected, everyday clinical cases rather than idealized or pre-selected scenarios, the course aims to provide practical insight into surgical decision-making, intraoperative strategy, and the safe application of advanced monoportal and robotic approaches in the setting of post-induction lung cancer surgery.

In doing so, it seeks to contribute meaningfully to the evolution of modern thoracic oncology surgery, bridging the gap between theoretical discussion and real operative practice.

Edoardo Mercadante

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# PROGRAM

## 23 MARCH 2026

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- 08:30–08:40** Institutional greetings *L. De Angelis, C. Cavuto*
- 08:40–08:50** Faculty Welcome & Team Introduction *E. Mercadante*
- 08:50–09:00** Course overview & objectives *G. Alessandrini*
- 09:00–09:15** Oncological tailored treatment for early stage NCLSC *F.L. Cecere*
- 09:15–09:25** Surgical tailored treatment after induction therapy *F.T. Gallina*
- 09:25–09:30** Clinical Case 1: Pre-op Briefing *E. Addamo*
- 09:30–12:30** Clinical Case 1: Uniportal VATS Lobectomy  
Equipe operatoria: *E. Mercadante, G. Alessandrini, F.T. Gallina*  
Discussants: *V. Cerasoli, D. Forcella, L. Mosillo*
- 12:30–13:30** Lunch
- 13:30–13:35** Clinical Case 2: Pre-op Briefing *M. Bruschi*
- 13:35–17:30** Clinical Case 2: Single Port RATS Lobectomy  
Equipe operatoria: *E. Mercadante, D. Forcella, M. Bruschi,*  
Discussants: *G. Alessandrini, V. Cerasoli, F. Corzani*
- 20:00–23:00** Dinner with Faculty

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## 24 MARCH 2026

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**08:30–08:55** Morning coffee break

**08:55–09:00** Clinical Case 3: Pre-op Briefing *R. Tajè*

**09:00–12:30** Clinical Case 3: RATS Lobectomy with uniportal Hybrid approach  
Equipe operatoria: *E. Mercadante (G. Alessandrini), F. Corzani (G. Alessandrini), E. Addamo*  
Discussants: *V. Cerasoli, D. Forcella, L. Mosillo*

**12:30–12:45** Take-home messages / closing remarks

**12:45–13:45** Lunch

# FACULTY

## SENIOR FACULTY

Edoardo Mercadante – *Chief, Thoracic Surgery Unit, IRCCS Regina Elena National Cancer Institute*

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# INFORMATIONS

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**The link to access the live stream** will be sent before the event to all users who have correctly completed the registration form on the website, selecting the **Streaming** option.

After the event, participants will be able to download the certificate of attendance using the same credentials used for registration.

## CONFERENCE VENUE

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