



ISUOG's Basic Training Course in Gynecology, Rotterdam 16th – 17th February 2018

"Excellent and very educational course for beginners - it has motivated me to learn more and improve myself." Delegate feedback

ISUOG's Basic Training Course in Gynecology took place on the 16th and 17th February 2018, in partnership with the Erasmus Medical Centre in Rotterdam. The theoretical component of the course, on Friday 16th February, was attended by 69 onsite delegates from 11 countries and via livestream by 231 participants from 9 satellites hosted in Nigeria, Tunisia, Sudan, Egypt, Latvia, Belgium, Mallorca and Malawi. In addition, 16 delegates joined the course via individual livestream, which was trialled for the first time for this course and was very well received by participants.

Onsite delegates gave the course an approval rating of 5.94 out of 7, and awarded the scheduled talks an average approval rating of 6.05, with one delegate commenting that *"all speakers were efficient and inspiring."* The discussion sessions following talks were also praised by delegates as helping their understanding of the material. Feedback from satellite delegates was similarly encouraging; the approval rating for the course from satellite participants was 5.95, with an average rating of 5.94 for the lectures – comments from delegates included *"All topics were outstanding"* and *"It was a very interesting experience, with informative lectures."* Overall, 98% of all delegates reported that they would recommend ISUOG Basic Training courses to colleagues, and 98% said they would attend another ISUOG course. The positive impact of the course is reflected in delegates' answers to the pre- and post-course tests: onsite delegates had an average score increase of 26%, while the increase for satellite delegates was 29%.

Simulation training

"Excellent close communication with experts." Delegate feedback

35 delegates returned to the university the next day for the fully-booked practical session. Simulators provided by Medaphor, Symbionix and Opus were used for guided instruction by ISUOG and Erasmus faculty, and for freestyle sessions to allow delegates to practise their new skills. Feedback from delegates was positive, with many experiencing initial difficulty in orientation and getting used to equipment, but reporting that by the end of the session they had learned new skills, and had a better and more structured approach to performing ultrasound examinations. Delegates gave the course an approval rating of 6.36, and 96% said they would recommend simulation training to a colleague.



Delegates from the satellite event in Tunis



Erasmus MC lecture theatre



Delegates and trainers during simulation training