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## EDS looks back on a successful year 2016

### 1st EDS Surgical Skills Course

For the first time, EDS organized a surgical hands-on training course in Kaunas, Lithuania, in September 2016. Over two days, 32 participants from seven different countries learned and improved their skills of conventional and laparoscopic surgery, eFAST (Extended Focused Assessment with Sonography for Trauma) and Evidence-Based Medicine during intensive and practical workshops. The feedback was positive throughout, and EDS is proud to offer the 2nd surgical hands-on training course at the same location in 2017! Further information is available online at [www.edsurgery.org](http://www.edsurgery.org) and will be provided in the next issues of *Digestive Surgery*.



### 1st Surgical Learning Area at UEG Week in Vienna

Another premiere, organized by EDS together with the other UEG surgical member societies EAES, EFISDS, and ESCP, took place at this year's UEG week in Vienna in October 2016. In the newly established hands-on Surgical Learning Area, delegates were able to gain first-hand experience by operating on both computer simulators and anatomical models. Supported with travel grants by EDS, all available courses were fully booked. Furthermore, the free-for-all area with meet-the-expert sessions, multidisciplinary case discussions, and videos was very well attended. Due to the great success and demand, be sure to book your place at the next Surgical Learning Area in Barcelona 2017 well in advance at [www.ueg.eu](http://www.ueg.eu)!

### Save These Dates

11th EDS Postgraduate Course 2017, Budapest, April 27–29

For details and travel grant applications, visit [www.edsurgery.org](http://www.edsurgery.org) and [www.eds2017budapest.com](http://www.eds2017budapest.com)

2nd EDS Surgical Skills Course 2017, Kaunas, September

For details and travel grant applications, visit [www.edsurgery.org](http://www.edsurgery.org) and [www.ssc2016.net](http://www.ssc2016.net)

25th UEG Week 2017, Barcelona, October 28 to November 1

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