

AOFOG – KSGO Young Gynae Oncologist Programme

Background

This program was proposed and successfully implemented in 2017 by Prof. Young-Tak Kim, who was the President of the Korean Society of Gynecologic Oncology (KSGO) at the time. However, it was interrupted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Prof. Jae-Kwan Lee, who is both the Chair of the AOFOG MIGS committee and the current President of KSGO, suggested reviving the program, and it was decided to recruit participants from AOFOG member countries.

Objectives

1. To broaden the perspectives of young Gynaecologists specialising in Oncology in member countries of the AOFOG.
2. To provide an opportunity to experience advanced Gynaecological Oncology treatment by participating in the international conference.
3. To enable them to network with other professionals in the field of Gynaecological Oncology.

Programme content

This program will be conducted over three days, during which participants will attend pre-congress workshops of an international symposium held in Seoul to acquire various skills in the field of gynaecologic oncology. They will also have the opportunity to participate in the KSGO International Conference and various social events. Participants are required to present a paper or abstract at the conference, either as an oral or poster presentation, and the assignment will be determined by the KSGO Scientific Committee, and the detailed program will be announced with the initial notice.

Funding

The Programme will be funded by the KSGO on a reimbursement basis. AOFOG will provide assistance in promoting the Programme and sending out the announcements.

Eligibility

1. Gynaecologists specialising in gynaecological oncology
2. Age 40 years or below on the 1st of January in the year of the Programme
3. Belong to a member National Society of AOFOG not in arrears for more than 3 years

Entitlements

1. Return economy airfare
2. Complimentary Registration
3. Complimentary Accommodation
4. Participation in Social Events

Selection

1. Up to 5 candidates will be selected.
2. Preference will be given to low to medium resource countries.
3. There should preferably be only 1 candidate from any one National Society.
4. The selection will be done by KSGO and will be final.

Announcement / Feedback

1. In the first week of December, the KSGO will send details of the Programme to the AOFOG Secretariat with an appropriate application form specifying the required documents, closing date and address where the application should be sent.
2. The AOFOG Secretariat will then send out the Announcement to all National Societies by the second week of December with a specified closing date and application instructions.
3. All applications must be submitted to KSGO through KSOG/AOFOG using the prescribed form.
4. KSGO will then notify the successful candidates and the AOFOG Secretariat.
5. Within 14 days of completion of the Programme, ALL participants will be required to complete and submit a structured questionnaire to the AOFOG Secretariat which will then forward copies to the KSGO and the respective National Societies. Upon receipt of the completed questionnaire, the AOFOG Secretariat will then send each participant a Certificate of Participation in the Programme.

AOFOG-KSGO Young Gynaecology Oncologists Programme 2026

Programme Outline:

- **Event:** AOFOG-KSGO Young Gynaecology Oncologists Programme 2026
- **Location:** Seoul, South Korea
- **Dates:** April 2 (Thu) – 4 (Sat), 2026 (in conjunction with the KSGO International Conference)
- **Duration:** 3 Days

Programme Highlights:

- **Day 1 (April 2)**
 - Participation in pre-congress workshops (Robotic Surgery, Colposcopy, and Joint Organization of sKillful Experts in radical suRgery for gynecologic cancer [JOKER] sessions).
 - Hands-on opportunities to enhance surgical skills.
- **Day 2–3 (April 3–4)**
 - Attendance at the KSGO International Conference.
 - Opportunities to present papers and engage in discussions with leading experts in gynaecologic oncology.
 - Networking through various social events with peers and senior professionals.

Link to the KSGO International Conference 2026 website : <https://www.ksgo.org/>

