ESU Hands-on Training Course in Non-technical skills

Location:  Hands-on Training Area, Exhibition Hall (Level 1)

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Aims and objectives of this session
This course aims to introduce the concept of non-technical skills and provide an interactive “hands-on” environment to practicing urologists and residents-in-training, in the hope of improving and raising self-awareness for everyday operating room practice.

Course description:
The operating room is a complex and highly stressful environment that requires interaction between a large team to achieve successful outcomes for the patient. This requires not only effective procedure-specific technical skills, but also additionally a range of non-technical skills. The importance of non-technical skills is often overlooked but they are unfortunately a major cause of surgical error. Like technical skills, which are acquired over many years of practice and training, non-technical skills are not innate traits and must also be developed through training and experience. This course will serve to introduce practicing urologists to the concept of non-technical skills using an interactive full immersion simulation environment, developed by Kneebone et al. (Imperial College London), whilst undertaking common scenarios in urolithiasis. Participants will be evaluated by experts in surgical education and provided individual feedback with view for further self-improvement.

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Target audience:
All urological surgeons and residents in training