This conference, led by Program Directors Juan P. Umaña, MD (El Rosario University/Fundación Cardioinfantil in Bogotá, Colombia), Vinod H. Thourani, MD (MedStar Heart and Vascular Institute in Washington, DC, USA), Nestor F. Sandoval, MD (Fundación Cardioinfantil in Bogotá, Colombia), Jose Luis Pomar, MD, PhD (University of Barcelona, Spain), Manuel J. Antunes, MD, PhD, DSc (University Hospital, Coimbra, Portugal), and Joseph E. Bavaria, MD (University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, PA, USA), is a 2.5-day educational activity that will provide a unique and innovative format for the attendees, highlighting the management of cardiovascular surgical diseases.

Sessions will incorporate not only invited lectures from a world-class international faculty on traditional and new technology procedures, but also original scientific abstracts presented in oral and poster sessions. They will concentrate on the multidisciplinary approach to coronary artery disease, valvular heart disease, thoracic aorta disease, atrial fibrillation, and the surgical management of heart failure. New this year, select presentations will focus on congenital heart disease. An integral component will be invited technical videos related to procedural expertise in these disease processes, followed by robust panel discussions. This innovative conference will provide attendees access to the highest level of education with the goal of improved patient management.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this activity, participants should be able to:

- Evaluate the impact of new knowledge and the application of new technology on the treatment of cardiovascular diseases
- Discuss surgical techniques in order to improve the standard of care for cardiovascular patients
- Review the results of clinical and laboratory investigations designed to reveal new knowledge of cardiovascular disease
- Describe the multidisciplinary approach to coronary artery disease, valvular heart disease, thoracic aorta disease, atrial fibrillation, and the surgical management of heart failure
- Discuss quality improvement as it pertains to pediatric cardiac surgery
- Describe new surgical strategies in neonates and children with congenital heart disease
Target Audience

This conference is intended for:

- Cardiothoracic surgeons
- Cardiovascular surgeons
- Cardiologists
- Anesthesiologists
- Perfusionists
- Physician assistants
- Nurses
- Other health care professionals interested in the topic

Registration

Early bird registration through August 14, 2018

Physicians: USD 250
Non-Physicians: USD 150

Standard registration beginning August 15, 2018

Physicians: USD 300
Non-Physicians: USD 200

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Day 2: Friday, November 16, 2018

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8:00 a.m. – 8:10 a.m.  Opening Remarks

8:10 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  **Track V:** Aortic Valve  **Track VI:** Congenital – Transposition of the Great Arteries

10:00 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.  Stump the Professor: Aortic Valve/Mitral Valve/Heart Failure
Stump the Professor: Congenital

10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  BREAK

11:00 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.  **Track VII:** Aorta/Aortic Arch/Neurologic Protections  **Track VIII:** Congenital – Univentricular Heart

12:50 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.  LUNCH

1:30 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.  **Track IX:** Tricuspid Valve/Heart Failure  **Track X:** Aortic Root

3:20 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.  BREAK

3:40 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.  **Track XI:** Coronary Artery Disease  **Track XII:** Congenital – Neonatal and Early Surgery

Day 3: Saturday, November 17, 2018

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  How Industry and Cardiothoracic Surgeons Work Together