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Thursday 12th March 2022

8.00 - 8.50	Welcome coffee, registration and networking
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9.00 - 10.40	ALIGN MASLD CLINICAL PRACTICE WITH METABOLIC MULTIMORBIDITY Chair: Liana Gheorghe, Nancy Reau
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9.00 - 9.20	MASLD at the crossroad of metabolic multimorbidity – Raluca Pais, Paris, France
9.20 - 9.40	Expert perspective on the proactive diagnosis and risk stratification – Roxana Sirli, Timisoara, Romania
9.40 - 10.00	Redefining MASLD care: pathogenesis and targets for therapeutic interventions – Nancy Reau, Chicago, USA
10.00 - 10.20	Exploring the roots of stigma, psychosocial distress, and barriers in access to care in people with MASLD to develop inclusive practices and systemic changes – Ines Mega, Lisbon, Portugal
10.20 - 10.40	Discussions
10.40 - 11.00	Coffee break

11.00 - 12.40	ADVANCING RESEARCH AND CARE IN STEATOTIC LIVER DISEASE: MANY HOPES AND A PLAN OF ACTION Chair: Corina Pop, Jeff Lazarus
11.00 - 11.20	Innovative ideas to change the practice: Multimodal imaging and AI application for non-invasive assessment of liver fibrosis – Ioana Lupescu, Bucharest, Romania
11.20 - 11.40	How does the MASLD therapeutic pipeline look: New drugs, new hopes – Vlad Ratziu, Paris, France
11.40 - 12.00	Understanding the impact of alcohol on MASLD: challenges in diagnosis, risk assessment tools and therapeutic strategies in MetALD – Liana Gheorghe
12.00 - 12.20	MASLD, Obesity, T2DM, Cardiometabolic Syndrome: The role of the MD Dream Team – TBA
12.20 - 12.40	Discussions
12.40 - 13.40	Lunch
13.40 - 14.15	State of the Art Lecture Introduction: Florentina Furtunescu, Bucharest, Romania Invited Lecture: Jeffrey Lazarus, Barcelona, Spain MASLD – A public health threat at the crossroads of metabolic multimorbidity
14.15 - 14.50	State of the Art Lecture Introduction: Liana Gheorghe, Bucharest, Romania Invited Lecture: Heiner Wedemeyer, Hannover, Germany Implementing the German SLD Registry - A cornerstone for National MASLD strategy
14.50 - 15.10	Coffee Break
15.10 - 17.00	Working Group on MASLD/MASH/MASH CIRRHOSIS An initiative of SRGH & RoALD in collaboration with RASO, SRDNBM, SRE, SRC

Invited: Clinicians in the field of gastroenterology/hepatology, endocrinology, diabetology, cardiology, public health, researchers, patient's advocacy groups, industry stakeholders, policy makers

Aims: An opportunity to action: integrating steatotic liver disease into public health strategies


ACTION PLAN

1. To provide specialists with updated guidance on the proactive diagnosis and management of MASLD
2. To establish a national multidisciplinary team operating as a task force in the field
3. To rise the bar of MASLD & MetALD awareness among non-gastroenterologists and community
4. To involve policy maker in promoting Sustainable Liver Health in Romania To elaborate and implement a strategic action plann

Output: A draft roadmap document outlining priorities, timelines and responsible institutions will be developed based on this working session, to be validated and promoted by the SRGH-RoALD task force

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The background is a vibrant, abstract composition. It features a large, glowing DNA double helix structure that spans the width of the image. The helix is composed of numerous small, bright dots, giving it a digital or particle-like appearance. The color palette transitions from deep blue on the left to a bright yellow-green on the right. Scattered throughout the scene are various glowing particles, some appearing as small, out-of-focus light sources and others as more defined, spherical structures. The overall effect is one of scientific wonder and technological advancement.

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