

World and European Congress of the International Union against Sexually Transmitted Infections

14–17 October 2026, Prague Congress Centre, Czech Republic

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Programme at a Glance

Wednesday 14 October 2026

08:00–17:00	08:00–14:30 IUSTI Europe Advanced Course		09:00–17:00 Registration Opens	
		10:00–14:30 IUSTI World ExCo (including lunch break)		
	15:30–16:30 WHO Symposium	15:00–16:00 IUSTI-E Guidelines Meeting		15:00–16:30 Early Career Networking
17:00–19:00	Opening Ceremony PL01: Politics and the right to sexual health			

Thursday 15 October 2026

	Forum Hall	South Hall A	South Hall B	Terrace
08:00–09:00	SY01: DoxyPEP – basic science	SY02A: HSV epidemiology & burden	FP01: Oral Abstracts	WS01: Build, Test, Optimize: A skills-based Program Science workshop
09:15–10:15	SY03: WHO – Future of STIs in changing global landscape	SY02B: HSV therapeutics & control	FP02: Oral Abstracts	WS02: BMJ STI journal – Beyond classical STIs (enteric/hepatitis A&C)
10:15–10:45	Coffee + Tea Break			
10:45–11:45	PL02: Rethinking limits of STI control			
12:00–13:00	SY04: Future of Syphilis	SY05: ECDC – Trends in bacterial STI across Europe	FP03: Oral Abstracts	WS03: Decolonizing global health
13:00–14:00	Lunch / Lunchtime Industry Symposia (Merck)			
14:00–15:00	PL03: STI testing scale up/down			
15:15–16:15	SY06: Impact of “big events” on STI health services	SY07: Therapeutic challenges: Mycoplasma genitalium	FP04: Oral Abstracts	WS04: Community Engagement as a Driver of Policy Change and Quality Clinical Care
16:15–17:45	Industry Symposium tbc	Poster Session 1		

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Friday 16 October 2026

	Forum Hall	South Hall A	South Hall B	Terrace
08:00–09:00	SY08: BASHH SIG: Multiplex testing	SY09A: Equity and access	FP05: Oral Abstracts	WS05: 3D in vitro models / human challenge models
09:15–10:15	SY10: Congenital Syphilis	SY09B: Equity and access	Czech Local Symposium	WS06: STI modelling (HIV, STI screening, global trends)
10:15–10:45	Coffee + Tea Break			
10:45–11:45	PL04: Beyond the binary			
12:00–13:00	SY11: Diagnostic technology and AMR	SY12: EADV session		WS07: MTCT Elimination of HIV, Syphilis and HBV
13:00–14:00	Lunch / Lunchtime Industry Symposia (Abbott, GARDP)			
14:00–15:00	SY13: STIs in the Middle East and North Africa	SY14: Genital vulvar dermatology	FP06: Oral Abstracts	WS08: Early Careers: AI in academic career progression
15:15–16:15	PL05: When vaccines meet communities			
16:15–17:30	Industry Symposium tbc	Poster Session 2		

Saturday 17 October 2026

	Forum Hall	South Hall A	South Hall B	Terrace
08:00–09:00		FP07: Oral Abstracts	FP08: Late Breakers	WS09: BASHH Practical political engagement workshop
09:15–10:15	PL06: Health resilience and STI control			
10:30–11:30	SY15: DoxyPEP and the Future of STI Prevention	SY16: Vaginal microbiome/vaginosis	FP09: Oral Abstracts	WS10: ILDS – Migrant Health Working Group
11:30–12:00	Coffee + Tea Break			
12:00–13:00	PL07: Next generation STI Care (Youth/AI)			
13:00–14:00	Closing Ceremony & Awards			

PLENARY	SYMPOSIUM	FREE PAPERS	INDUSTRY	NETWORKING	WORKSHOP
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