

WEO International School of EUS (WISE)

Egyptian Chapter 2025

The WEO International School of EUS (WISE), founded in 2018, is a state-of-the-art EUS training program focused on teaching a specialized group of doctors in their early careers, under the guidance of course founder and director, Professor Dong-Wan Seo. WEO's aim is to groom the selected trainees and to provide the necessary tools to become future leaders in EUS.

Building on the strength of the WISE program and in alignment with its objectives, the first and second WISE Egyptian Chapters, hands-on EUS training courses, were successfully held in Egypt in 2023 and 2024. These courses were directed and guided by Professor Dong-Wan Seo, the founder of WISE, and Professor Elsayed Ghoneem, Associate Professor of Gastroenterology at Mansoura University. The training focused on diagnostic linear EUS, progressing from basic to more advanced levels. The first course (2022–2023) was delivered in three modules, while the second course (2024) consisted of two modules. Based on post-training evaluation, these courses have had a remarkable impact on the participating candidates, significantly enhancing their proficiency, confidence, and clinical capabilities in doing endoscopic ultrasound.

As part of WEO's commitment to expanding EUS education and training on a global scale, we are pleased to announce the upcoming third course, The **WISE Egyptian Chapter 2025**, which will begin in September 2025, will continue to emphasize linear EUS, featuring a comprehensive program of lectures, case-based discussions, and hands-on training in two modules.

This course is organized by WEO with the participation of five Egyptian tertiary Centers.

Course Directors:

- Prof. Dong Wan Seo, Asan Medical Center, WISE Founder and course director
- Prof. Elsayed Ghoneem, Mansoura University, Alumni of WISE main course and co-course director of the WISE Egyptian Chapter.

Hands-on trainers

- Prof. Elsayed Ghoneem, Mansoura University.
- Prof. Hussein Okasha, Cairo University
- Prof. Khaled Ragab, Theodor Bilharz Research Institute
- Prof. Moaz Elshair, Al Azhar University

Scientific Committee

- Prof. Mohamed Alboraie, Al-Azhar University & AFCM.
- Prof. Samy Zaki, Al Azhar University
- Prof. Mohammed Elfaioy, Al Azhar University
- Prof. Mohamed Nageeb, Ahmed Maher Teaching Hospital.
- Prof. Amro Abou Elmagd, AFCM.
- Prof. Omar Abdallah, Mansoura University.
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Timeline

- Application opens: June 13, 2025
- Application closes: July 18, 2025
- Announcement of results: July 31, 2025
- Module 1: September 26-30, 2025
- Module 2: December 26-30, 2025

Program information

- The course consists of two modules.
- Each module will be five days.
- Each day will begin with learning lectures and then two sessions of hands-on training.
- In observation and hands-on training, there will be 3 operating rooms.
- Four candidates in each room, with rotation to the other room with each session.
- One international day lectures: Lectures by international experts
- Four trainers are responsible for every step of observation and hands-on training.
- The last module will be followed by graduation ceremony.

Requirements

- Candidates should have an EUS machine in their working unit.
- Acceptance and recommendation letter from the head of his unit.
- High level in EGD and Colonoscopy, Diagnostic and Therapeutic.
- Basic level or more in ERCP.
- Should have at least basic Knowledge on EUS (Recommendation needed).
- Pass the pretest on basic EUS.
- In case the number of applicants far exceed the available slots, an interview will be conducted.
- Open to trainees from Egypt and neighboring Arab countries.
- Must be WEO Individual Members. Therefore, please factor in enough time (7 working days) to apply for the WEO individual membership before applying for the WISE Egyptian Chapter.
- Between 12 - 15 candidates will be accepted for the course.
- Course fees will be at a subsidized rate of Euro 2000
- **IMPORTANT: This is NOT an online training course. Physical participation is essential.**

Note: Dates may be subjected to change. Terms and conditions apply and might be subjected to change without prior notice. For questions, please contact Dr Elsayed Ghoneem at ghoneem_84@yahoo.com or Laura Schleser-Low at laura.s@worldendo.org

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