

BVMM / SBMC – Launch Event Programme

Belgische Vereniging voor Medische Microbiologie - Société Belge de Microbiologie Clinique

Venue: De Kamer, Leuvenseweg 13, 1000 Brussels, Belgium

Date and time: 10 March 2026 (10:00 – 14:00)

Accreditation approved for 6 points (ethics and economics)

10:00 – 11:00 | Part 1 – The association and its mission

Chairs: Erwin Ho (AZ Turnhout) and Sophie Herens (Le Groupe santé CHC Liège)

Welcome address

Peter De Roover, President of the Chamber of Representatives

1. Onboarding in BVMM – why and how?

Speakers: Erwin Ho (AZ Turnhout) and Wim Laffut (Heilig Hart Ziekenhuis Lier)

2. The future vision of BVMM

Speaker: Steven Martens (Jessa Ziekenhuis)

3. From “ABC of microbiology and infectiology” to diagnostic stewardship

Speakers: Koen Magerman (Jessa Ziekenhuis) and Olivier Denis (LHUB - ULB)

11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 | Part 2 – Hot topics in medical microbiology

Chairs: Steven Martens (Jessa Ziekenhuis) and Paul-Emile Claus (Imelda Ziekenhuis)

4. Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)

Speakers: Deborah De Geyter (UZ Brussel) and Valentijn Schweitzer (UMC Utrecht)

5. Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS)

Speakers: Steven Vervaeke (AZ Delta) and Erlangga Yusuf (Erasmus MC)

6. Panel discussion

Closing remarks

13:00 – 14:00 | Reception

