

## ATLS pre-congress course, ECTES 2020, Oslo, Norway

The Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) story started in 1976 as the orthopaedic surgeon James K. Styner with his family crashed in the rural corn fields of Nebraska, USA. The standard of care from the initial care providers resulted in the well-known quote:

"When I can provide better care in the field with limited resources than what my children and I received at the primary care facility, there is something wrong with the system, and the system has to be changed"

J. Styner

The first ATLS course was held in 1978 with focus on a systematic ABCDE approach to the trauma patient. The course has evolved ever since and is now available in 84 countries almost all over the world. There are 17 ATLS American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma (ACS-COT) regions and Region 15 covers Europe, Russia and sub-Sahara Africa. The ATLS European Association (AEA) was founded in 2005 and has 25 full-member countries and 3 partnership countries in ACS-COT region 15. It is the largest and the most active ATLS ACS-COT region with over 800 ATLS courses conducted per year.

Over the past 40 years the course has evolved to the current 10<sup>th</sup> edition with major contributions from the AEA. The course is today an interactive course with scenario-based discussions and hands on practice with the core content:

## Initial evaluation and management of the trauma patient

We will conduct a traditional 2,5-day international ATLS course with highly experienced ATLS instructors from South Africa, UK, Columbia, USA, Denmark and Norway. The dates are April 22-24, 2020 and the course will be held in English.

## This is a course you do not want to miss

To apply for the course, please visit: <a href="https://traumatologi.pameldingssystem.no/atls-oslo-ectes-2020">https://traumatologi.pameldingssystem.no/atls-oslo-ectes-2020</a>

Sincerely

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