

Committee Meetings & Workshops

Day 1: 19 March, 2026 | 09h00 – 17h30 | Madrid, Spain

Time	Break-out 1	Break-out 2	Break-out 3	Break-out 4
09h00 – 10h30	Open Working Session WMDA Standards for Cryopreserved Products <i>Yen-Michael Hsu</i>	Closed Working Session Match-Connect Steering Committee <i>Matt Prestegaard</i>	Closed Working Session SPEAR Committee <i>Tigran Torosian</i>	Closed Working Session Courier Audit Training <i>Hirasine Sengomona</i>
10h30 – 11h00	Refreshment Break			
11h00 – 12h30	Closed Working Session Standards Committee <i>Andrea Mitterschifthaler</i>	Open Working Session Match-Connect Implementers Meeting/TAG <i>Jan Hofmann</i>	Closed Working Session SPEAR Committee <i>Tigran Torosian</i>	Closed Working Session Courier Audit Training (continued) <i>Hirasine Sengomona</i>
12h30 – 13h30	Lunch			
13h30 – 14h30	Open Working Session Work-Up Coordination <i>Jane Ward/Paul Johnson</i>	Open Working Session SoHO Regulation on the Horizon: Interactive Round Table Session on Challenges, Collaboration & WMDA's Role <i>Carolin Bunzel</i>	Closed Working Session Security Privacy Committee <i>Erik van der Smeede</i>	Closed Working Session Courier Audit Training (continued) <i>Hirasine Sengomona</i>
14h30 – 15h30				Closed Working Session CEO Session
15h30 – 16h00	Refreshment Break			
16h00 – 17h00	Closed Working Session Certification Steering Committee <i>Carolyn Hurley</i>	Open Working session Cord Blood Operations and Regulations Committee <i>Alexandra Ross</i>	Open Working Session Medical Committee <i>Nitin Agarwal</i>	Closed Working Session CEO Session
16h00 – 17h30				

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Day 2: 20 March, 2026 | 09h00 – 17h00 | Madrid, Spain

Time	Break-out 1	Break-out 2	Break-out 3
08h00 – 09h00	Open Working Session Registry Operations & Regulation Committee <i>Sigal Manor</i>	Open Working Session Equitable donor assessment <i>Warren Fingrut</i>	
09h00 – 11h00	Closed Working Session Search Coordinator Workshop <i>Valerie Stewart</i>	Closed Working Session SPEAR Committee <i>Tigran Torosian</i>	Open Working Session Bio-Informatics & Innovation <i>James Robinson</i>
11h00 – 11h30	Refreshment Break		
11h30 – 12h30	Open Working Session Donor Recruitment & Retention Committee <i>Marti Freund</i>	Open Working Session Cell & Gene Therapy Committee <i>Thilo Mengling</i>	Closed Working Session Bio-Informatics & Innovation <i>James Robinson</i>
12h30 – 13h30	Lunch		
13h30 – 15h30	Closed Working Session Reviewers Training <i>Anita Koumouli</i>	Open Working Session Donor Suitability Committee <i>Jason Oakes</i>	Closed Working Session Bio-Informatics & Innovation <i>James Robinson</i>
15h30 – 16h00	Refreshment Break		
16h00 – 17h00	WMDA General Membership Meeting		