



JOINT CONFERENCE  
1ST IKPSA & 19TH AAPS  
ERBIL  
15-17th April 2026



**19TH**  
CONFERENCE OF ARAB ASSOCIATION  
OF PEDIATRIC SURGEONS

**2ND**  
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**1ST**  
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IRAQI KURDISTAN PEDIATRIC  
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## Welcome Letter

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Dear Esteemed Colleagues and Distinguished Guests,

On behalf of the organizing committee, it is my great honor and privilege to welcome you to the joint conference of the 19th Conference of Arab Association of Pediatric Surgeons (AAPS) and 1st International Conference of Iraqi Kurdistan Pediatric Surgeons Association (IKPSA), that will be held on 15-17th April, at Divan Hotel, Erbil-Kurdistan, Iraq.

We are truly delighted to gather, sharing our collective knowledge and expertise in the field of pediatric surgery.

This event provides us with an exceptional platform to engage in meaningful discussions, explore innovative surgical techniques, and strengthen our commitment to advancing healthcare for children.

As we convene the conference, we are reminded of the importance of collaboration, not only in the advancement of medical practices but also in fostering a community of care that transcends borders.

The work we do in pediatric surgery is vital to improving the lives of children and their families, and each contribution you make, no matter how small, plays an integral role in this mission.

This conference brings together professionals from across the region and beyond, representing a diverse spectrum of expertise and experience.

We look forward to the insightful presentations, workshops, and networking opportunities that will no doubt enrich our practices and inspire future innovations in pediatric surgery.

Thank you for your dedication to the field and continuous support. We are confident that this gathering will inspire new ideas, collaborations, and friendships that will continue to shape the future of pediatric surgery in Kurdistan, Iraq and around the world.

The conference is welcoming you with the genuine hospitality of Erbil city, with its outstanding ancient historical castle, hosting many cultures, religions, languages, and mankind diversities, all living together in peace and harmony, with opening doors policy and warm welcome for everyone.

The social program of the conference offers you a great chance to meet friends and colleagues locally and internationally.

Wishing you all a productive and fulfilling conference experience.

*Warm regards,*

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**Assist. Prof. Dr. Hawkar A. Khayyat**

**Prof. Dr. Hasan Kareem Gatea Al Musa**

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## Main Topics

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The conference will cover the following key areas in pediatric surgery:

**1** GIT

**2** Hepatobiliary

**3** Urology

**4** Neonatal Surgery

**5** Thoracic Surgery

**6** Trauma and Emergency

**7** Minimally Invasive Surgeries

**8** Nutrition

**9** Oncology

**10** Miscellaneous

## Venue & Registration

### Conference Venue

#### Divan Hotel, Erbil-Kurdistan, Iraq

The Divan Hotel Erbil offers world-class facilities and is conveniently located in the heart of Erbil city, providing easy access to the historic Erbil Citadel and other attractions.

### Registration

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### Important Dates

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