

## MINIMALLY INVASIVE CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY – THE HUMAN CADAVER MASTER CLASS (V)

### Course Directors

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### Course Structure

Date: November 19, 2025  
Venue: RPA Surgical & Robotic Training Institute  
Human Cadavers: 2  
Participating Surgeons: Cardiac surgery fellows and junior consultants (6)  
Scrub nurses: 2



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## COURSE OUTLINE

November 19, Wednesday

07:30-08:00    **REGISTRATION**

### MORNING SESSION:

**TEAM 1 – Da Vinci XI / Robotic Mitral Repair - Prof. Aubrey Almeida**

08:00-09:00    Positioning and Docking  
09:00-10:00    Valve Analysis and Neochordae Implantation  
10:00-11:00    Annuloplasty  
11:00-12:00    Left Atrial Maze

**TEAM 2 – Da Vinci X / Robotic TECAB - Prof. Husam Balkhy**

08:00-09:00    Positioning and Docking  
09:00-10:00    Pericardial Incision and Exposure of Coronary Artery  
10:00-11:00    Internal Mammary Artery Harvesting  
11:00-12:00    LIMA to LAD Anastomosis

12:00-13:00    **LUNCH BREAK**

### AFTERNOON SESSION:

**TEAM 1 – Da Vinci X / Robotic TECAB - Prof. Husam Balkhy**

13:00-14:00    Positioning and Docking  
14:00-15:00    Pericardial Incision and Exposure of Coronary Artery  
15:00-16:00    Internal Mammary Artery Harvesting  
16:00-17:00    LIMA to LAD Anastomosis

**TEAM 2 – Da Vinci XI / Robotic Mitral Repair - Prof. Aubrey Almeida**

13:00-14:00    Positioning and Docking  
14:00-15:00    Valve Analysis and Neochordae Implantation  
15:00-16:00    Annuloplasty  
16:00-17:00    Left Atrial Maze

17:00            **CLOSURE – Cocktail**