

6[^] Conferenza Internazionale
Alpha-Alpha-Beta Chapter Sigma Nursing
 Biblioteca Universitaria, Università di Genova
 Via Balbi, 40 - Genova, Italy
 Genova, 8 Giugno 2026

Nursing Science for the Future of Health: Leading Change Together

9.00	<p>Opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Liz Westcott <i>President Sigma Nursing – UK</i> - Marie-Louise Luiking <i>Sigma Europe Regional Coordinator – The Netherlands</i> - Milko Zanini – <i>President Alpha Alpha Beta Sigma Nursing - ITA</i> - Loredana Sasso – <i>Vice President Alpha Alpha Beta Sigma Nursing – ITA</i>
09:30	<p>Keynote lectures</p> <p>Leadership for Global Health: Promoting Excellence in Professional Nursing Practice</p> <p>Joyce Fitzpatrick <i>Case Western Reserve University – USA</i></p>
10:00	<p>Nursing Research for the Future of Health: Generating Evidence, Guiding Change</p> <p>Susan Gennaro <i>Connell School of Nursing - Boston College – USA</i></p>
10.30	<p>Leading Change Together: The Role of Nursing Sciences in Shaping the Future of Health</p> <p>Duilio Manara, <i>Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele, ITA</i></p>
10.45	<p>Coffee Break</p>
11:15	<p>Leading Change in Care Systems: The University’s Strategic Role</p> <p>Annamaria Bagnasco, <i>Università di Genova, Italy</i></p>
11:30	<p>Lead Together: Sigma Nursing’s Call to Action in Italy — Proposals and Perspectives</p> <p>Milko Zanini, <i>Università di Genova, Italy</i></p>
11:45	<p>From Reflection to Practice: The Contributions of “5 Minutes of Insight” to the Future of Health</p> <p>Marina Vanzetta, <i>Publisher Manager L’Infermiere Journal</i></p>
12.00 – 12.30	<p><i>Chair</i></p> <p>Oral Communication</p> <p><i>Sigma Ambassadors</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Angela Durante</i> - <i>Nicola Pagnucci</i> - <i>Alessio Rizzo</i>
12.30 – 13.00	<p><i>Chair</i></p> <p>Poster Presentation</p> <p><i>Sigma Ambassadors</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Angela Durante</i> - <i>Nicola Pagnucci</i> - <i>Alessio Rizzo</i>
13.00	<p>Lunch</p>

14.00

Parallel Sessions

Leading Nursing Innovation for the Quality and Sustainability of Services

- **Session 1.** Deborah Cesura Granara, *Leading Change in Wound Care: Research and Innovation for the Quality and Sustainability of Care*
- **Session 2.** Maria Mongardi, *Preventing Infections, Leading Change: The Contribution of Nursing Science to Patient Safety*
- **Session 3.** Monica Guberti, *Nursing Leadership and the Management of Care Processes: Leading Change in Healthcare Organizations*

15.00

Parallel Sessions

Innovation and Partnerships for the Evolution of Nursing Practice

- **Session 1.** BEPI: Innovation Supporting Care Practice
- **Session 2.** COMARK/FALPI: Hygiene Practices in Clinical Settings
Wounds Care
- **Session 3.** Alessio Rizzo, *Innovative Perioperative Pathways for the Future of Health: The Nursing Contribution to ERAS Protocols*

16.00

Closing Remarks

Faculty

- Annamaria Bagnasco
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- Deborah Cesura Granara
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- Joyce Fitzpatrick
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Call for abstract deadline 15/05/2026

For further information about the call for abstracts, please refer to the following link [Call for Abstract](#)

Conference website <https://alphaalphabeta.sigmanursing.org/home>

Preliminary Programme and Event Registration [EventBrite - 6 Conferenza Alpha Alpha Beta Chapter Sigma Nursing](#)

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- paying the GNHS fee of €15, electronically on site during the conference.

The same arrangements also apply to members who need to renew their membership for 2026.

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