



## 2026 Asia Robotic Urological Forum Successfully Concludes in Shanghai, Charting a New Future for Precision Surgery

**Shanghai, April 18, 2026** – The 2026 Asia Robotic Urological Forum, jointly organized by the Asian Robotic Urological Society (ARUS) and the Robotic Surgery Working Group of the Chinese Urological Association (CUA), was grandly held in Shanghai today.

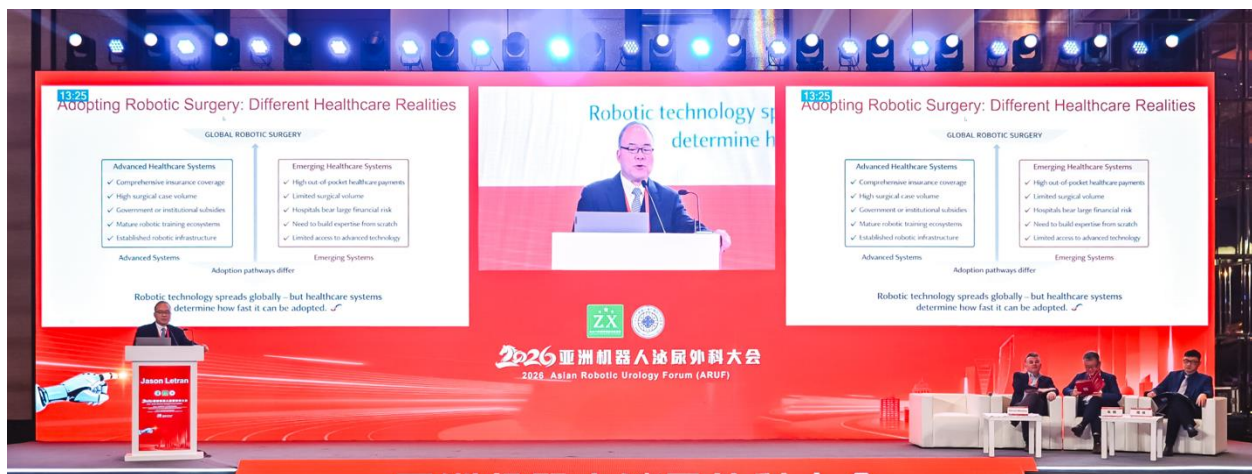


The forum was formally opened under Prof. Gang Zhu, Secretary-General of ARUS and a leading urologist from Beijing United Family Hospital.

Opening remarks were delivered by ARUS President-Elect Prof. Ryoichi Shiroki and former Secretary-General of the Urological Association of Asia (UAA), Prof. Allen Chiu Wen-Hsiang. Both expressed their warm congratulations on the convening of the forum and shared high hopes for the future of collaboration in the field of robotic urology within the Asia-Pacific region. ARUS President, Academician Xu Zhang, also sent a message of congratulations, wishing the forum a complete success.



The "Master Lecture" session served as a core platform showcasing the diversified global development and clinical applications of surgical robots. Prof. Ryoichi Shiroki shared pioneering experiences in performing urological surgeries with the **Hintori surgical robotic system**, introducing a new technological perspective to the Asian region. Prof. Jason Letran, Chairman of Robotic Urology in the Philippines, shared valuable insights on establishing a robotic surgery system and program.



Concurrently, the rapid advancement of domestically developed surgical robots in China attracted significant attention. Mr. Xu Kai from Beijing Surgerii Robotics Co., Ltd. provided a detailed introduction to the **SHURUI Single-Port Surgical Robotic System**, highlighting its advantages in surgical access innovation. Representatives from other leading Chinese robotic companies,

including Mr. Ou Guowei from Shenzhen Cornerstone Robotics Co., Ltd. and Mr. He Chao from Shanghai MicroPort MedBot (Group) Co., Ltd., elaborated on the ambitious journey and practices of Chinese surgical robotics enterprises. They shared perspectives ranging from the "from laboratory to clinic" R&D process to the macro-view of "innovation and industrialization," demonstrating how these companies are breaking through technological barriers and building a complete industrial chain. This marks the increasingly important role "Made-in-China Innovation" is playing in the global robotic surgery arena.



In the clinical techniques symposium, experts shared invaluable experiences on the refinement and personalized treatment in robotic surgery. Prof. Loh Chit Sin from Malaysia reported on his experience with **Retzius-sparing and nerve-sparing prostatectomy**, while Prof. Anthony Chi-fai NG from The Chinese University of Hong Kong discussed **En bloc robot-assisted resection of bladder tumor**. These presentations reflected the relentless pursuit of maximizing organ function preservation and enhancing oncological outcomes through robotic surgery. International experts from Europe, including Prof. Morgan Roupret and Prof. Ruben De Groot, further shared insights from the dimensions of healthcare system strategy and intraoperative real-time margin assessment. They presented advanced European systems for quality management and efficacy evaluation in robotic surgery programs, offering constructive perspectives for Asian colleagues.



As a significant academic event in Asian robotic urology, this forum successfully established a high-level international exchange platform. Leading figures from across the Asia-Pacific region, including Prof. Declan Murphy from the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre in Australia, Prof. Henry Ho Sun Sien from Singapore General Hospital, and Prof. Simon van Rij from Auckland City Hospital in New Zealand, served as chairs or active participants in discussions. They joined top Chinese experts in charring sessions and providing commentary, fostering in-depth dialogue and collaboration on robotic surgical techniques, training, and research within the Asia-Pacific region. This has effectively propelled the overall progress and standardization of robotic urology in Asia.

Previously, on April 17, 2026, the ARUS Council Meeting was successfully concluded in Shanghai.



The successful conclusion of this forum not only showcased the highest current standards in robotic urological technology, clinical practice, and clinical research but also highlighted the vibrant dynamism and immense potential of the Asia-Pacific region in this field. Participating experts unanimously agreed that through sustained international collaboration, technological innovation, and clinical translation, robot-assisted surgery is poised to deliver more precise, minimally invasive, and effective treatment options for an increasing number of patients with urological diseases.