

**Dr. Marc Van de Velde, MD, PhD, EDRA.**

Dr. Marc Van de Velde obtained his medical degree at the Catholic University of Louvain in Belgium in 1991. He completed his residency in Anaesthesiology in 1996 at the University Hospitals of Louvain. In 2000, he received his PhD degree following research related to metabolic support of the stunned myocardium. He was appointed member of staff in 1997 at the department of Anesthesiology of the University Hospitals in Louvain, Belgium and is now Full Professor of Anesthesia. Until November 2010 he was clinical director of obstetric anesthesia and clinical director of anesthesia outside the operating room. Since November 2010, he is Head of the Department Anesthesiology at the Catholic University Leuven and Full Professor at the Leuven University Hospitals. He has given over 400 invited lectures at the international and national level, has published 90 articles in peer reviewed journals, has produced 30 manuscripts for non peer reviewed journals and has co-authored 4 book chapters. He is editor (together with Helen Scholefield and Lauren Plante) of a new, international book on Maternal Critical Care published in 2013 and he is editor (together with Vicki Clark and Roshan Fernando) of a new book on “Obstetric Anesthesia” published in 2016. He was member of the Committee of the Obstetric Anaesthetists Association (OAA) from 2003 – 2009, he also was President of the European Society of Regional Anaesthesia and Pain Therapy (ESRA) and he was Chair of the Scientific Subcommittee 4 of Euroanesthesia (Subcommittee on Obstetric anesthesia). He is chair of the Scientific Committee of the Annual ESRA Meeting organised in Ljubljana 2015, Maastricht 2016 and Lugano 2017. He is also the Past-Chair of the Scientific Subcommittee on Obstetric Anesthesia of the European Society of Anesthesiology (ESA). Currently he is President of the Belgian Society of Anesthesia and Reanimation (BSAR). His primary clinical interest focuses on obstetric anesthesia and anesthesia for children and adults with congenital heart disease undergoing non cardiac surgery. Most of his current research focuses on obstetric anesthesia. He is married with Eva and has five children, Sofie, Michiel, Bas, Ella and Juliette. He loves to travel en play golf. Italian food and wine make him smile !