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TRANSGENDER HEALTH

# TRANSGENDER HEALTH CARE IN EUROPE

## PROGRAM

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# **First Biennial Conference**

## **“Transgender Health Care in Europe”**

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## WELCOME ADDRESS

On behalf of the Scientific and the Local Organising Committee, it is a great pleasure for us to welcome you all to the 1<sup>st</sup> EPATH Conference in Ghent. Ghent was the host to a very successful WPATH Symposium in 2003 and it is a true honour to bring back the scientific symposium.

The conference, entitled **“Transgender Health Care in Europe”** is dedicated to (clinical) training (new) professionals in the field, and to European research. It offers a forum to present recently published and new data, and especially wishes to motivate young researchers to participate. The conference is also a place to network and set up new collaborations within Europe. The most innovative research will be highlighted. Professor Peggy Cohen-Kettenis has been invited to give the first Henriette Deleamarre Keynote Lecture. We are very proud to host over 300 participants, over 100 oral presentations, 34 poster presentations and 13 multidisciplinary workshops (which include training workshops). We think this is a clear sign of a wide and strong interest in EPATH.

From the start EPATH has a three folded aim: to foster European knowledge and skills in transgender care in order to extend the bond between European countries in transgender care. Secondly, to disseminate the results of research through publications and scientific conferences and meetings and – lastly - to collaborate with international organisations with the same or related aims. It is within this context that the first EPATH conference introduces three plenary sessions which will be a recurrent part of future EPATH conferences. Firstly, the Session **“Transgender Health Care in Europe”** is dedicated to exchanging the organisation of clinical practices for transgender health care in different European countries. This allows countries from different parts of Europe to share clinical services and practices for transgender people. This year the following countries have been invited: Belgium, Germany,

Spain, Turkey, and the United Kingdom. Secondly, the session “The Year in Review” aims at exchanging knowledge across disciplines. In 15 minutes a synoptic review of notable new literature in various sub-specialties of transgender care is presented, with a primary focus on studies that have relevance for health care decision making. Thirdly, the public session entitled ‘Human Rights and Health Care in Europe’ presents actual challenges in the academic, clinical and policy domains of transgender health care. This session – open to the public free of charge – specifically invites NGO’s, public authorities and the general public interested in the topic of transgender health care.

The Scientific and the Local Organising Committee is proud to host this first EPATH Conference in Ghent. Any visitor to Ghent will quickly fall in love with this cosy, little city. Ghent is modern with a historic backdrop and stunning canal side architecture. Our venue Het Pand is the culture and congress center of Ghent University. Het Pand is a historical monument: this unique building is a former Dominican Monastery, situated beside the river Leie/ Lys in the historic center of the city.

We are delighted to welcome you to Ghent and together we will build a great EPATH conference for 2015!

Prof. dr. Guy T’Sjoen,

Ghent University

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Gender, Ghent University  
Hospital



# INTRODUCING EPATH

The *European Professional Association for Transgender Health* (EPATH) was officially founded in February 2014. This brand new association fulfils a long felt need among European professionals to have a forum for exchanging knowledge and skills regarding transgender health care, and to promote the mental, physical and social health of transgender people in Europe. As there are many countries on the European continent where there is no transgender health care, EPATH aims to provide a network for professionals who are isolated in their work. In this regard, we understand health in its broadest sense, including physical, mental and social well-being. Working towards a good health for all transgender people not only means exchanging best clinical practices but also includes working towards the abolition of discrimination and violence, to promote social acceptance and to achieve legal gender recognition for all transgender people.

Hence, we invite all people who work on a professional level for transgender health, across disciplines and with various kinds of knowledge and specialties to get involved. You can read more about our aims & goals and about our subdivisions on [www.epath.eu](http://www.epath.eu).

## *Membership & structure*

At this very moment, EPATH has no official structure yet, and therefore no membership fees of its own. However, every WPATH member from Europe is automatically a EPATH member. Currently there are a few people involved who voluntary work hard and enthusiastically in order to build up EPATH as a very open-minded and progressive association for transgender health. During the upcoming conference in Ghent, the first (interim) board of EPATH will be installed. It will be one of the important tasks of the interim board to set up the official structure for EPATH.

It is our strong belief that the best way to reduce prejudice, intolerance, and discrimination as well as to view differences as helpful for improving health care, is to confront these issues in discussions, sessions, and meetings, and to stay continuously in touch and in communication with each other.

EPATH works in close cooperation with both the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) as well as with Transgender Europe (TGEU) – aiming to include a liaison board member of both organisations in its board of directors.

## *Student Initiative*

The *EPATH Student Initiative* allows both graduate and undergraduate students interested and active in the wider field of transgender health to get connected. The main aims of the Student Initiative are to:

- Connect students throughout Europe currently active in transgender health research
- Provide opportunities for students' work to be presented and disseminated
- Reach out to students not (yet) in the field of transgender health

The Student Initiative will formally start at the EPATH conference in Ghent. Those interested in transgender health and the Student Initiative can get in touch through [student@epath.eu](mailto:student@epath.eu).



# GENERAL INFORMATION

## *Organising Committee*

Guy T'Sjoen, Griet De Cuypere, Stan Monstrey, Guy Bronselaer and Joz Motmans (Belgium), Timo O. Nieder (Germany), Annelou De Vries (The Netherlands), and Walter Pierre Bouman (UK).

## *Scientific Committee*

The scientific committee consist of a small group of known specialists in their discipline/field who together were responsible for the selection of abstracts, as well as for setting up the (clinical) trainings within their discipline.

### **Children and Adolescents**

- Jiska Ristori (Italy)
- Polly Carmichael (UK)
- Birgit Möller (Germany)
- Annelou de Vries (The Netherlands)
- Karlien Dhondt (Belgium)
- Riittakerttu Kaltiala-Heino (Finland)

### **Endocrinology**

- Alessandra D. Fisher (Italy)
- Yona Greenman (Israel)
- Isabel Esteva de Antonio (Spain)
- Malene Hilden (Denmark)
- Guy T'Sjoen (Belgium)
- Chiara Manieri (Italy)

### **Law**

- Stephen Whittle (UK)
- Gerd Verschelden (Belgium)
- Alexander Schuster (Italy)
- Alecs Recher (Switzerland)

## **Mental Health**

- Baudewijntje Kreukels (The Netherlands)
- Cecilia Dhejne (Sweden)
- Dragana Duisin (Serbia)
- Esther Gómez-Gil (Spain)
- Şahika Yüksel (Turkey)
- Walter Pierre Bouman (UK)

## **Social Sciences**

- Zowie Davy (UK)
- Janneke van der Ros (Norway)
- Joz Motmans (Belgium)

## **Surgery**

- Stan Monstrey (Belgium)
- Miroslav Djordjevic (Serbia)

## **Voice and Communication**

- Maria Södersten (Sweden)
- Christella Antoni (UK)
- Alexandros N. Constansis (UK)
- John Van Borsel (Belgium)

The conference is organised in partnership with the World Professional Association for Transgender Health ([www.wpath.org](http://www.wpath.org)).



## *Meeting Location Het Pand*

The conference will take place in the beautiful old monastery “Het Pand”, Onderbergen 1, 9000 Gent – Belgium. The reception desk of the Pand can be reached at +32 9 2648305.

The convention center is designed to guarantee an easy access for persons with disabilities. Please contact the organising committee in case you need any specific help or information: [contact@epath.eu](mailto:contact@epath.eu) or by phone: +32 476/32 69 04.

Smoking within the conference buildings (as in all public buildings) is strictly forbidden by law. On all entrances and inner courtyards, you can find designated smoking points.



## **Reception & Information Desk**

The **reception & information desk** can be found on your entry on the ground floor. There are many (voluntary) staff members available who will assist you with any queries and questions you may have. We shall do our utmost best to help with any problems that may arise. You can recognize the EPATH volunteer staff by their green coloured name badges. You can reach us at +32 476/32 69 04.

## Conference Rooms

All plenary sessions will take place in the white room, the “Refter” (ground floor).

The **streams** have their fixed session room. All session rooms are equipped with laptop and projection screens.

- MENTAL HEALTH: **white** room “Refter” (ground floor). Exception: parallel session 2b and session 3b take place in the **yellow** room “Persconferentie zaal” (3<sup>rd</sup> floor).
- CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS: **blue** room “Rector Vermeylen” (2<sup>nd</sup> floor). Exception: parallel session 2b takes place in the **red** room “Rector Gillis” (2<sup>nd</sup> floor, access through library).
- ENDOCRINOLOGY: **green** room “Rector Blancquaert” (3<sup>rd</sup> floor). Exception: parallel session 2b takes place in the **purple** room “Prior” (1<sup>st</sup> floor).
- SOCIAL SCIENCES: **orange** room “Oude Infirmierie” (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)
- VOICE AND COMMUNICATION: **red** room “Rector Gillis” (2<sup>nd</sup> floor, access through library)
- SURGERY: **purple** room “Prior” (1<sup>st</sup> floor)
- LAW: **yellow** room “Persconferentie zaal” (3<sup>rd</sup> floor).

The **Poster Session** takes place in the **KLOOSTERGANG** (1<sup>st</sup> floor).

## Emergency Numbers

In case of fire, accidents, etc., you can contact the general emergency number **112** – just state the nature of the problem, and police / fire brigade / medics will be dispatched.

In case you need medical attention, please contact the information desk at Het Pand (ground floor). They will contact a doctor/ make other arrangements to suit your needs. The number of the reception desk is **+32 9 264 83 05**.

## Internet Connection

The convention centre is equipped with wireless internet.

<b>Login:</b>	<b>guestEPATH</b>
<b>Password:</b>	<b>cfHdnrvg</b>

How to proceed:

- Make a wireless connection with "UGentGuest". If you have set up to request an IP address automatically, you will receive an IP address starting with 193.190.8x.
- Now you are connected, but not yet authenticated. You should start a web browser and you will be redirected to a logon screen. Enter the username and password as mentioned above.
- After correct authentication you can use the Internet connection.
- Your connection to this wireless LAN is not encrypted. To protect your personal data, please use encrypted connections like https, imaps, ssh etc. or a VPN client.

You're not allowed to pass on the login information to others.



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## Travel info

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### BY PLANE

Brussels Airlines is pleased to be your Preferred Carrier for the EPATH conference 2015 and extends 10% discount on available return economy fares from Europe, Tel Aviv & Moscow to Brussels. Book until 12 March 2015 and Travel between 08 and 18 March 2015: <http://epath.eu/conference-2015/travel-info/>

### BY CAR

- Follow the parking sign to Parking P7 Sint-Michiels. The parking is located approximately 50 meter from Het Pand. Take the exit Onderbergen, where you find yourself in the Wilderoosstraat, opposite Convention Center Het Pand.
- An alternative parking is P8 Ramen. From here it's about 5 minutes on foot to Convention Center Het Pand.

### BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT

- From railway station Gent St-Pieters: tram 1 (every 6 minutes) or tram 24 (every 20 minutes). Exit at Korenmarkt.
- From Gent Zuid: tram 4 (every 6 minutes), tram 24 (every 20 minutes) or bus 17 (every 30 minutes). Exit at Korenmarkt.

## *Introducing Ghent*

Asking citizens of Ghent what they think of their city is a pointless exercise: you'll find only unanimous love. And with good reason! Ghent ([www.cityofghent.be](http://www.cityofghent.be)) is one of Europe's greatest discoveries – small enough to feel cosy, but big enough to be vibrant. It has enough medieval frivolity to create a spectacle but retains a gritty industrial edge that keeps things 'real'. Tourists remain surprisingly thin on the ground, yet with its fabulous canal-side architecture, wealth of quirky bars and some of Belgium's most fascinating museums, this is a city you really won't want to miss.

Ghent is a city and a municipality located in the Flemish region of Belgium. It is the capital and largest city of the East Flanders province. The city started as a settlement at the confluence of the rivers Scheldt and Lys and in the middle Ages became one of the largest and richest cities of northern Europe. Today it is a busy city with a port and a well-known university.



### **Assets and highlights**

Ghent is still a well-kept secret and is definitely worth a visit. Visitors who are already familiar with the city have become loyal ambassadors. Ghent has so much more to offer than the Castle of the Counts and the splendid views of Graslei and Korenlei. It offers a unique combination of authenticity, creativity and natural local flair. What's more, it is a human-scaled city in the heart of Flanders with added value thanks to its many waterways. Don't forget to admire Ghent from one of the classic boat tours.

### **What makes Ghent unique?**

First of all its excellent location. And, of course The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb, the tryptych by the Van Eyck brothers that is displayed at St Bavo's Cathedral. Moreover, Ghent is the only city with a lighting plan, which illuminates the streets and buildings at night, showcasing them from a different angle. Ghent is also the festival city of Flanders, boasting the largest outdoor city festival in Europe. And if you're a fan of flowers, you'll undoubtedly know that Ghent hosts a highly prestigious flower exhibition, the Floralties. Last but not least: which other city has a real castle in its city centre?

### **Why Ghent, according to others?**

Renowned opinion makers have branded Ghent a beautiful destination. Our city is praised in many ways far across our national borders: From by National Geographic Traveler Magazine to Lonely Planet, it was crowned UNESCO City of Music, Veggie Capital of Europe, City of Light, etc. You will find all information about what's on in Gent during your stay at <http://www.visitgent.be/>.



## *Scientific Presentations*

The conference offers **plenary lectures** by key note speakers, as well as **oral presentations** organised in different streams (Mental Health, Children and Adolescents, Endocrinology, Social Sciences, Surgery, Law, Voice and Communication).

Additionally, we offer **multidisciplinary workshops** which address introductory issues and clinical training for (new) professionals in transgender health care, as well as workshops debating current challenges faced in transgender health care.

## **Henriette Delemarre Memorial Lecture**

This **plenary session** will take place in the white room “REFTER” (ground floor).



The keynote lecture on Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup>, is named after professor Henriette Delemarre-van der Waal (1952-2014). She has been an extremely engaged and innovative paediatric endocrinologist who, in the late 1990s, when GnRH analogues were just released on the market to suppress precocious puberty, radically changed clinical management of transgender adolescents by coming up with the idea to block their natal puberty. At the VU University Medical Center in Amsterdam, together with Professor Peggy Cohen-Kettenis, a clinical psychologist, she developed a clinical protocol for transgender adolescents of which puberty suppression was a key intervention. This protocol has now been adopted worldwide as the gold standard of adolescent transgender care. Henriette Delemarre was also an outstanding researcher who initiated the first evaluative studies on the effects of GnRH analogues on physical growth and brain development. She founded the second specialized gender identity clinic in the Netherlands for children and adolescents at LUMC/Curium in Leiden, where her work is continued by a dedicated team.



The Henriette Delemarre Memorial Lecture will be given by Professor Peggy Cohen-Kettenis. Peggy Cohen-Kettenis is a clinical psychologist who has been playing a pioneering role in the field of transgender care from its first hour in the 1970s/1980s until present, despite her recent official retirement. She has always

paved ways for providing specialized transgender care by convincing people, institutes and society through sound evaluative research of her interventions, especially for gender dysphoric children and adolescents. As the director of the Center of Knowledge and Care of Gender Dysphoria at the VU University Medical Center in Amsterdam from 2003 until 2013, she has built one of the largest and most influential teams in transgender care and research around the world. She has been and still is participating and chairing numerous guideline and classification committees on gender incongruence and differences of sex development and her quiet, intelligent, professional and always friendly personality makes her into a highly respected member. With her more than four decades of experience in the field and her still actively involved role in research, training and committees, she will be able to present a visionary view on transgender care and knowledge specifically with regard to children and adolescents.

## Oral Presentations

All selected oral presentations in the stream sessions will be 10-12 minutes in length (plus 2-3 minutes of question times).

We strongly advise all presenters to prepare their talks using PowerPoint (and not alternate presentation software). A media projector with a PC laptop will be provided for in each conference room. It is advisable to bring more than one format (e.g., both a memory stick and email-able version) as a backup. Presenters are asked to be present in the conference room 15 minutes before the start of their session, so all materials can be installed before the sessions begins. Contact your chair person upon arrival.

## Poster Presentations

The **Poster Session** takes place in the **KLOOSTERGANG** (1<sup>st</sup> floor). Barbara, our 'poster person', is available for you at the registration desk for any question regarding your poster set up.

The attended poster session is scheduled to take place Thursday, 12th March from 15:30-17:00. It is highly preferred that the first-author presents the poster. As a corollary, poster presenters must register and attend the meeting for the poster to be presented. EPATH will announce the first Poster Award during the conference.

Non registered poster presenters will not be allowed to present their poster. Only selected posters are allowed to be displayed. Posters must displayed be sized maximally 1.00m x 2.00m.

Selected posters should be set up before this attended session and must be displayed for the remainder of the conference. Posters from the same research group should be distinct from one another, even if the data are derived from the same research project. Poster presenters are responsible for poster set up as well as taking down their poster.

# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## *Overview at a Glance*

### **Thursday March 12, 2015**

11.00	Registration desk opens
12.00 – 12:30	“Transgender Pioneers” (documentary)
13:00 – 13:45	Opening Session of the Conference
13:45 – 14:30	Plenary Session I: Henriette Delemarre Memorial Lecture
14:30 – 16:00	Stream Sessions I
16:00 – 17:00	Coffee Break & Attended Poster Session
17:00 – 18:00	Meeting & Networking Opportunities
18:00 – 22:00	Public Plenary Session: “Human Rights and Health Care for Trans People in Europe”

### **Friday March 13, 2015**

09:00 – 10:45	Plenary Session II: “Transgender Health Care in Europe: Overview and Challenges”
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 – 12:45	Multidisciplinary Workshops I
12:45 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 15:30	Stream Sessions II
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break
16:00 – 18:00	Multidisciplinary Workshops II
20:00 – .....	Dinner & Party

### **Saturday, March 14, 2015**

09:00 – 10:45	Plenary Session IV: “The Year in Review”
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 – 12:45	Stream Sessions III
12:45 – 13:15	Closing Ceremony & Announcement of the next EPATH Conference

**Thursday March 12, 2015**

**11:00: Opening Registration Desk**

**12:00-12:30: “Transgender Pioneers”**

In honour of Jos Megens, co-founder and coordinator of the Dutch Gender team for 40 years, EPATH screens a documentary about transgender pioneers in the Netherlands (Director Erik Willems. NTR/VPRO 2013). Jos Megens will retire on April 1st. His contribution to our field is immense: in patient care, education and scientific research. The documentary was shown on Dutch television in December 2013, lasts 30 minutes and is subtitled in English.

**13:00 – 13:45: Opening Session**

***Welcome Address***

*Guy T’Sjoen, Joz Motmans, Timo O. Nieder*

***Announcement of EPATH Student Initiative***

*Silvano Barbieri & Jonas Björklund*

***Trans Health Care in Europe: Findings from the FRA EU LGBT Survey***

*Dennis van der Veur, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (video)*

The EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) has conducted extensive research on the fundamental rights situation of trans persons in the European Union. A special FRA report published in December 2014 focused on every-day discriminatory and violent experiences trans persons face. Amongst others in the area of (access to) health care trans persons reported discriminatory treatment and inappropriate behaviour of health workers.

*The report can be downloaded at the following link:  
<http://fra.europa.eu/en/publication/2014/being-trans-eu-comparative-analysis-eu-lgbt-survey-data>*

## **13:45 – 14:30: Plenary Session I: Henriette Delemarre Memorial Lecture**

### ***“Youth with Gender Incongruence: Culture and Future”***

*Peggy Cohen-Kettenis, Dept. Medical Psychology, VU University Medical Center, Amsterdam The Netherlands*

Transgender care for adolescents, like transgender care for adults, has its roots in Europe. The treatment of gender dysphoria in adults started a century ago in Germany. Treatment for adolescents is available since 25 years and started in the Netherlands. Certain forms of treatment, such as pubertal suspension are even more recent. Particularly with regard to the treatment with GnRH analogues to suppress puberty, Henriette Delemarre, a Dutch paediatric endocrinologist who sadly died too early in 2014, played a crucial role. In addition to using it for children with precocious puberty, she started prescribing GnRH analogues for transgender adolescents. This was done when they were in the first stages of puberty. The first cohort of adolescents treated with GnRH analogues (and subsequently with cross-sex hormones before they had surgery) were selected very carefully and monitored closely until adulthood. The interventions were initially viewed with great suspicion and concern. Only when the first results of the treatment seemed to be positive, increasing numbers of gender identity clinics and other providers started to follow the “Dutch protocol.” Currently many gender identity clinics and other providers in Europe, Australia and the US offer care for transgender youth, sometimes following the Dutch protocol sometimes expanding it. Treatment will without doubt be influenced by the use of the new diagnostic criteria in the DSM and ICD, new laws in many countries, and new research.

## 14:30 – 16:00: Stream Sessions I

### STREAM MENTAL HEALTH

#### Session 1: Epidemiology, assessment and comorbidity

Chair: Jon Arcelus

1. Increase of referrals to gender identity clinics: a European trend? Characteristics and Hypotheses  
Annelou de Vries, B. Kreukels, G. T'Sjoen, M. Álgars, & A. Mattila
2. Five year progress and outcome for all patients assessed at the Charing Cross Gender Identity Clinic, London, UK, 2009  
S. Ahmad, M. Hillyard, G. Bhatia, S. Rajenthiran, & Andrew Davies
3. Role and importance of mental health professionals in the assessment of gender dysphoric persons  
Dragana Duisin, J. Barisic, S. Vujovic, M. Bizic, & M. Djordjevic
4. Gender variance in adults with autism spectrum disorder  
Anna van der Miesen, H. Hurley, & A. De Vries
5. Non-suicidal self-injury in trans people: associations with psychological symptoms, victimizations, interpersonal functioning and perceived social support  
Laurence Claes, W.P. Bouman, G. Witcomb, M. Thurston, F. Fernandez-Aranda, & J. Arcelus

### STREAM CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

#### Session 1a: Specific issues in health care of children and adolescents with gender dysphoria

Chair: Riittakerttu Kaltiala-Heino

1. Family therapy with Gender Identity Disorder adolescents  
*Patrizia Petiva & M. Spirito*
2. Family days: providing innovative psychosocial support to gender variant youth and their families in the UK  
Sally Phillott, T. Langton, N. Prescott, & S. Davidson

3. Setting up a peer to peer, email based support system for trans youth: experience, challenges and possibilities  
Carl Åkerlund & H. Hannes Hård
4. Early pubertal timing is common among adolescents SR applicants  
Maria Sumia, N. Lindberg, & R. Kaltiala-Heino
5. Early medical treatment of children with gender dysphoria: An empirical ethical study on the opinions of the treatment teams and gender dysphoric youth concerning early interventions  
Lieke J.J.J. Vrouwenraets, M.C. de Vries, M.M. Fredriks, P.T. Cohen-Kettenis, & H.A. Delemarre-van de Waal<sup>†</sup>

### **Session 1b: Research updates**

**Chair: Karlien Dhondt**

1. Sex-typical and sex-atypical white matter microstructure in gender dysphoric children and adolescents- a Diffusion Tensor Imaging study  
Sarah M. Burke, I. M. J. Saris, B. P. C. Kreukels, J. M. Wester, M. Steenwijk, P.T. Cohen-Kettenis, D.J. Veltman, D.T. Klink-Scholten, & J. Bakker
2. A parent-report gender identity questionnaire for children: preliminary analysis of the Italian version  
Angela Caldarera, D. Marengo, P. Brustia, & P. Cohen-Kettenis
3. Psychological support and puberty suppression improve global functioning in transsexual adolescents  
Rosalía Costa, M. Colizzi, E. Skagerberg, M. Dunsford, V. Holt & P. Carmichael
4. An investigation of body image satisfaction in young people: a comparison of persons with features of gender dysphoria and a non-clinical sample  
I. Webb, E. Skagerberg, & Sarah Davidson
5. Body experiences of gender variant adolescents  
Inga Becker, H. Richter-Appelt, & B. Möller



## STREAM ENDOCRINOLOGY

### Session 1a: Effects of hormonal treatment

Chair: Alessandra D. Fisher

1. Safety and efficacy of cyproterone acetate or GnRH analogs plus transdermal estradiol in transgender persons  
Maria Cristina Meriggiola, S. Cerpolini, C. Bombardini, I. Mancini
2. Specific effects of different forms of cross-sex hormone therapy on body weight in transgender people  
Maartje Klaver, M.J.H.J. Dekker, J. Megens, M. den Heijer
3. Cross-sex hormone treatment (CHT) and cumulative incidence of Metabolic Syndrome in Spanish transsexual population: 5 years follow-up  
A. Vidales Miguélez, J.J. Haro-Mora, M.C. Almaraz, R. Fernández-García Salazar, R. Yahyaoui, J. Martínez-Tudela, I. Sánchez-Reyes, E. Gómez-Gil, GIDSEEN Group, & Isabel Esteva de Antonio
4. Increased ambulatory blood pressure in adolescents with gender dysphoria treated with gonadotropin-releasing hormone analogues  
Daniel Klink, E. Atsma, A. Bökenkamp, & J. Rotteveel
5. Self-medication in trans people is not associated with deterioration in cardiovascular risk factors but is associated with reduced vitamin D levels and antidepressant use  
L. J. Seal, I. Middleton, & James Barrett

### Session 1b: European views on hormonal therapy

Chair: Leighton Seal

1. Prevalence of transsexualism in the province of Santa Cruz de Tenerife  
Jesus Pérez-Luis, M. Fernández Sánchez-Barbudo, R. Cejas Méndez, B. Rubio Morell, D. Báez Quintana
2. A twenty year follow up study of transsexualism in Serbia  
Svetlana Vujovic, M. Iovic, M. Tancic Gajic, Lj. Marina, Z. Arizanovic, M. Barac, A. Milosevic, D. Duisin, M. Djordjevic, D. Micic

3. Primary care monitoring for patients on hormones in Northern Ireland  
*David Bell & J. Corry*
4. Oestrogen implant as an alternative form of hormone replacement therapy in trans women; testosterone implant in trans men: efficacy and safety  
*Y. Kyaw, M. Espina, & Leighton J. Seal*

## **STREAM SOCIAL SCIENCES**

### **Session 1: Ethical aspects in social trans research**

**Chair: Janneke van der Ros**

1. Patients, research objects or co-researchers? Research ethics in trans\* studies  
*Amets Suess*
2. Epidemiologic considerations on transsexualism  
*Fabio Barbone & C. Trombetta*
3. Trans\* / sexualities: a controversial issue  
*Alain Giami & E. Beaubatie*
4. Representing transsexuality and transsexual people: the public debate on an innovative law for legal gender recognition  
*Nuno Pinto & C. Moleiro*

## **STREAM LAW**

### **Session 1: Legal aspects of transgender health care**

**Chair: Gerd Verschelden**

1. Unlawful pathology: judicial limits on the medicalization of transgender identities in Europe  
*Peter Dunne*
2. Trans children's right to recognition and self-determination  
*Anniken Sørli*
3. Legal, policy and human rights implications of ICD changes on transgender health care  
*Eszter Kismödi*

4. “Thanks for helping my patient!” An example of successful collaboration between activists, health and legal professionals  
*Alecs Recher*

## **16:00 – 17:00: Coffee Break & Attended Poster Session**

## **17:00 – 18:00: Meeting & Networking Opportunities**

- EPATH Student Initiative meeting – Prior (1<sup>st</sup> floor)
- WPATH/EPATH education collaboration – Oude Infirmerie (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

## **18:00 – 22:00: Public Plenary Session: Human Rights and Health Care for Trans People in Europe**

### ***Welcome addresses***

- ***Guy T’Sjoen***, Ghent University, & Center for Sexology and Gender, Ghent University Hospital
- ***Resul Tapmaz***, the Ghent Alderman for Wellbeing, Equal Opportunities, Health & Sports
- ***Elke Sleurs***, State secretary for Combating Poverty, for Equal Opportunities, for Disabled People, for the Fight against Tax Fraud and for Science Policy
- ***Liesbet Stevens***, Deputy Director of the Institute for the Equality of women and men

## Keynotes

### ***"Caring for Transgender Adolescents: Future Perspectives"***

*Annelou De Vries (Dept. Medical Psychology, VU University Medical Center, The Netherlands)*

*Care for trans people at a young age offers a world of opportunities for them. How should care ideally look like in the future? And what obstacles do we need to tackle on our way to get to this point?*

### ***"Fertility Options for Trans People"***

*Petra De Sutter (Dept. Reproductive Medicine, Gent University Hospital, Belgium)*

*Procreation after gender reassignment is for some still controversial. Today sperm can be frozen in trans women and ovarian tissue or oocytes in trans men prior to transition. Potential post-transition options additionally include the use of donor gametes or surrogacy. Even if all these options may not be available or wanted, fertility issues still need to be discussed with trans people prior to transition.*

### ***"Human Rights for Trans People: Taking Stock of where we are in Europe"***

*Richard Köhler (TGEU)*

*The landscape of trans people's human rights in Europe is changing rapidly. The presentation will take stock of the achievements but also identify points of concern.*

**Followed by Reception  
& Announcement of the Poster Award**

*Friday March 13, 2015*

## **09:00 – 10:45: Plenary Session II: Transgender Health Care in Europe**

**Chair: Griet De Cuypere**

Five gender teams present the organisation of the clinical practices for transgender health care in their country. This recurrent part of the EPATH conference allows countries from different parts of Europe to share clinical services and practices for transgender people.

For this year the following countries were invited:

- **Belgium:** Els Elaut (Center for Sexology and Gender, UZ Ghent)
- **Germany:** Timo O. Nieder (Interdisciplinary Transgender Health Care Center, Dept. Sex Research, UKE Hamburg, Germany)
- **Spain:** Esther Gómez-Gil & Clara de Castro (Hospital Clinic Barcelona)
- **Turkey:** Şahika Yüksel (CETAD Istanbul)
- **United Kingdom:** John Dean (Devon Partnership NHS Trust)

## **10:45 – 11:15: Coffee Break**

## **11:15 – 12:45: Multidisciplinary Workshops I**

### **1. Melting pot: benefits of multidisciplinary team working in transgender health care**

*P. Lenihan, J. Barrett, L. Seal, S. Lorimer, R. Dundas, S. Oxlade, UK (London)*

Orange room (Oude Infirmerie)

**2. Challenges in transgender youth health care in two European Countries: multidisciplinary experiences and perspectives from the Amsterdam and the Hamburg consultation services for children and adolescents**

*J. L. Sandberg, D.T. Klink, NL (Amsterdam), & W.F. Preuss, S. Fahrenkrug, I. Becker, A. Wüsthof, J. Schweizer, T.O. Nieder, GER (Hamburg)*

Green room (Zaal Rector Blancquaert)

**3. Standards of Care 7.x: questions for the next revision**

*D. Karasic, L. Fraser, USA (San Francisco), & J. Vreer Verkerke, NL (Amsterdam)*

*Other panellists: E. Coleman, P. Cohen-Kettenis, V. Tangpricha, S. Monstrey*

White room (Refter)

**4. Moral case deliberation to solve complex treatment cases**

*M.C. de Vries, L.A. Hartman, A.M. Fredriks, S.E. Hannema, NL (Amsterdam)*

Red room (Zaal Rector Gillis)

**5. Reforming transgender health care delivery at the international level through the informed consent model**

*A. Radix, USA (New York), M. Deutsch, (San Francisco)*

Purple room (Priorzaal)

**6. Introductory workshop I: transgender health care for adults**

*W.P. Bouman, UK (Nottingham), G. T'Sjoen BE (Ghent), D. Markovic Zigic SRB (Belgrade)*

Blue room (zaal Rector Vermeylen)

**7. Challenges and successes in provision of health services in cooperation with transgender communities in Kyrgyzstan**

*I. Karagopolova, N. Abylova, N. Pavlova, A. Kubanychbekov, S. Kurmanov, A. Kirey, (Kyrgyzstan)*

Yellow room (Persconferentiezaal)

**12:45 – 13:30: Lunch**

**13:30 – 15:30: Stream Sessions II**

**STREAM MENTAL HEALTH**

**Session 2a: Quality of life, discrimination and abuse**

**Chair: Cecilia Dhejne**

1. Predictors of Psychological Wellbeing  
*A. Davey, W.P. Bouman, C. Meyer, & Jon Arcelus*
2. Being transsexual in Croatia  
*Nataša Jokic Begic, T. Jurin, & A.L. Korajlija*
3. Transphobia and homophobia levels in general population, health care providers and in gender dysphoria individuals  
*A.D. Fisher, E. Fanni, Giovanni Castellini, H. Casale, L. Benni, V. Ricca, & M. Maggi*
4. Internalized trans-negativity: towards the development of an instrument of measure  
*D. Dèttore, Paolo Antonelli, J. Ristori, & S. Tempo*
5. Perceived discrimination and quality of life of transgender individuals in Turkey  
*Koray Başar & G. Öz*
6. Dissociative symptoms in transsexual individuals: is the elevated prevalence real?  
*Marco Colizzi, R. Costa, & O. Todarello*

**Session 2b: Treatment, transition and support**

**Chair: Baudewijntje Kreukels**

1. Motives behind non-classical treatment requests in transgender individuals  
*Titia Beek, T.D. Steensma, T.O. Nieder, P. Cohen-Kettenis, & B. Kreukels*
2. People who de-transition: Themes from a case note review  
*Andrew Davies, Beatrice Cockbain, S. Rajenthiran, & S. Ahmad*

3. Sexual functioning in applicants for gender-confirming treatment: A European multicenter follow-up study  
*Els Elaut, G. Heylens, B. Van Hoorde, G. De Cuypere*
4. Gender variant youth, school drop-out and perceived quality of family relations  
*Sarah Finzi, A. Caldarera, C. Crespi, V. Mineccia, M. Molo, & D. Massara*
5. Is testosterone treatment associated with high levels of anger expression in trans men?  
*M. Molo, Chiara Crespi, V. Mineccia, C. Dell'Aquila, E. Botto, G. Zullo, C. Anieri*
6. Interpersonal functioning among trans individuals and the role of Interpersonal Psychotherapy  
*A. Davey, W.P. Bouman, C. Meyer, & Jon Arcelus*

## **STREAM CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS**

### **Session 2: Sharing clinical experiences in different European countries**

**Chair: Jiska Ristori**

1. Gender dysphoria in childhood and adolescence and psychological development: clinical records  
*Chiara Baietto, D. Bechis, P. Larosa, L. Magnano, S. Mancini, D. Notari, & N. Spagna*
2. Gender dysphoria in minors. Experience in 192 cases in Andalusian Gender Team, Malaga, Spain  
*J.Martínez-Tudela, M. Cruz-Almaraz, J.Z. Haro-Mora, E. Gómez-Gil, G. Fernández, R. Salazar, R. Yahyaoui, I. Hernández-Hidalgo, P. Lozano, GIDSEEN Group, & Isabel Esteve de Antonio*
3. Position Statement: SIAMS- SIE- SIEDP-ONIG Consensus on medical treatment in gender dysphoric adolescents  
*A.D. Fisher, Jiska Ristori, E. Bandini, S. Giordano, M. Mosconi, E. Jannini, N. Greggio, A. Godano, C. Manieri, C. Merigliola, V. Ricca, D. Dèttore, & M. Maggi*



4. Gender dysphoria in children and adolescents, associated mental health problems, treatment experiences and wishes for improvement of transgender health care in Germany  
*Birgit Möller, I. Becker, P. Briken, G. Romer & M. Schulte-Markwort*
5. Working with gender dysphoric adolescents: an experience from Turkey  
*Ş. Yüksel, Seven Kaptan, M. Avayü, & B. Ozata*
6. A descriptive study of children and adolescents with gender dysphoria who asked for public health service at the Gender Identity Unit of Catalonia, Spain  
*Clara De Castro Miró, E. Gómez-Gil, A. Vidal, T. Plana, L. Lázaro, & GIDSEEN Group*

## **STREAM ENDOCRINOLOGY**

### **Session 2: Hormone induced changes**

**Chair: Josh Safer**

1. Time needed for cross-sex hormonal treatment to induce physical changes and to improve gender dysphoria in MtF individuals  
*Alessandra D. Fisher, G. Castellini, E. Fanni, H. Casale, I. Lasagni, L. Benni, V. Ricca, M. Maggi*
2. Clinical characterization of patients with gender dysphoria undergoing sex-reassignment surgery (SRS) focusing on testicular functions  
*Florian Schneider, N. Kossack, J. Wistuba, J. Gromoll, M. Zitzmann, S. Schlatt, & S. Kliesch*
3. Sexual functioning in trans women after SRS: the CIDIGem experience  
*Elena Castellano, E. Botto, C. Crespi, V. Mineccia, C. Dell'Aquila, & C. Manieri*
4. A retrospective study on the use of androgen therapy in trans women to treat HSSD  
*D. Sivakumaran & Leighton J. Seal*

5. Endometrial hyperplasia in trans men-to scan or not to scan?  
*Iffy Middleton & L. J. Seal*
6. Is polycythemia a marker of high cardiovascular risk in trans men?  
*A. Naing, L. Lei, K. Jones, J. Barrett, & Leighton J. Seal*

## **STREAM SOCIAL SCIENCES**

### **Session 2: The politics of trans\* health & trans parenting**

**Chair: Joz Motmans**

1. Citizenship by diagnosis? The social dimension of citizenship and trans\* related health care provision in social democratic welfare regimes: the case of Norway  
*Janneke van der Ros*
2. Proceedings and conclusions from the Norwegian expert group on transgender health  
*E.E. Pirelli Benestad & Arild Johan Myrberg*
3. Democratizing diagnoses: (trans\*)forming the DSM-5 and ICD-11  
*Zowie Davy*
4. Families in Transition. The influence of a trans parent on the general well-being of the child  
*Myrte Dierckx, D. Mortelmans, G. T'Sjoen, & J. Motmans*
5. Experiences of children with parental transition – Results of a qualitative media analysis using online sources  
*Jonas Björklund, S. Barbieri, I. Becker, & B. Möller*
6. Future aspects of "treating" transgender persons  
*Udo Rauchfleisch*

## **STREAM VOICE AND COMMUNICATION**

### **Session 2: Male-to-female transsexual voice**

**Chair: Alexandros N. Constansis**

1. Translation of the self- evaluation instrument Transsexual Voice Questionnaire <sup>Male-to-Female</sup> from English to Danish  
*Astrid Thybo & J. Iwarsson*

2. Translation, test of reliability and validity of the Swedish version of the Transsexual Voice Questionnaire <sup>Male-to-Female</sup>  
Maria Södersten, F. Cardell, J. Hedberg, M. Ruda, U. Nygren, & M. Englund
3. The contribution of Motor Learning Theory to voice modification: the transgender client  
Irene F. Kling & C.F. Stewart
4. Effects of pitch-raising surgery in trans women. A long-term follow-up study of acoustic data and self-evaluations  
V. Kelly, S. Hertegård, U. Nygren, & Maria Södersten
5. Lived experience: a service evaluation of the Voice Group Programme at Charing Cross Gender Identity Clinic  
Matthew Mills

## **STREAM SURGERY**

### **Session 2: MTF surgery, steps to patient's satisfaction**

**Chair: Miroslav Djordjevic**

1. Facial Feminization Surgery: the forehead. Surgical techniques and analysis of results  
Luis Capitán, D. Simon, K. Kaye, & T. Tenorio
2. Transgender with good pelvic floor muscle functions, what does it mean?  
Joke A.M. Groot
3. The neourethroroplasty: our experience and results  
Carlo Trombetta, N. Pavan, M. Rizzo, P. Umari, S. Bucci, G. Chiriaco, E. Belgrano, & G. Liguori
4. Solely penile skin vaginoplasty for male to female gender reassignment surgery – preliminary results of vaginal depth measurement of 60 patients  
Hannes Sigurjonsson, J. Rinder, F. Farnebo, & K. Lundgren
5. Sigmoid vaginoplasty as a viable surgical option for male to female transsexuals  
Marta Bizic, D. Stanojevic, V. Kojovic, M. Majstorovic, B. Stojanovic, D. Duisin, M. L. Djordjevic

**15:30 – 16:00: Coffee Break**

**16:00 – 18:00: Multidisciplinary Workshops II**

**8. Practices and protocols in Stockholm and San Francisco: perspectives on clinical, research, and administrative challenges from two multidisciplinary gender teams**

*D. Karasic, M. Deutsch, M. Garcia, USA (San Francisco), & C. Dhejne, S. Arver, K. Lundgren, H. Sigurjónsson, SE (Stockholm)*

Red room (Zaal Rector Gillis)

**9. Challenges and opportunities: diagnosing and treating adolescents with gender dysphoria and co-occurring psychiatric disorders or intellectual disability**

*K. Dhondt, BE (Gent), A. Balleur-van Rijn, W. Sandberg, NL (Amsterdam), & K. Lehmann, A. Kierans, Northern Ireland (Belfast)*

Purple room (Priorzaal)

**10. Gender queerness as a challenge in transgender health care**

*C. Richards, UK (Nottingham), T. D. Steensma, NL (Amsterdam), & T. O. Nieder, GER (Hamburg)*

Green room (Zaal Rector Blancquaert)

**11. Trans\* and sexualities: sociological, educational and clinical approaches**

*C. Akerlund, H. Hannes Hård, SE (Stockholm), A. Giami, FRA (Paris), E. Elaut, BE (Gent), & S. Murjan, S. Robbins-Cherry, UK (Nottingham)*

Yellow room (Persconferentiezaal)

## **12. The introduction of pre-clinic, group education sessions with young people and families**

*C. Goedhart, S. Davidson, A. Miller, P. Carmichael, G. Butler,  
UK (London)*

Orange room (Oude Infirmerie)

## **13. Introductory workshop II: gender dysphoria in childhood and adolescence**

*I. Peeters, I. Bok, NL (Amsterdam) & A. Wüsthof, GER  
(Hamburg)*

Blue room (zaal Rector Vermeylen)

## **18:00 – 19:30: Meeting & Networking Opportunities**

- AGIR meeting – Purple room “Prior” (1<sup>st</sup> floor)
- ENIGI External Partner meeting – Orange room “Oude Infirmerie” (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

## **20:00 – ...: Walking Dinner & After Party**

The walking dinner takes place in the white room “Refter” in the convention centre Het Pand. Please wear your badge as prove of payment. Doors open at 20:00. Casual dress.

At 22:00, those of you who are not tired yet are invited to come dance with us in the Belga Queen! Just 500 metres from the convention centre.

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Graslei 10  
9000 Ghent

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*Saturday March 14, 2015*

## **9:00 – 10:45: Plenary Session IV: The Year in Review**

**Chair: Piet Hoebeke & Guy Bronselaer**

A speaker from each stream presents a synoptic review of notable new literature in various subspecialties of transgender care, with a primary focus on studies that had relevance for health care decision making (15 minutes each).

- **Mental health:** Johannes Fuß (Dept. Sex Research, UKE Hamburg, Germany)
- **Children and adolescents:** Thomas D. Steensma (VU University Medical Center, The Netherlands)
- **Endocrinology:** Matthias Auer (Max Planck Institute of Psychiatry, Germany)
- **Social Sciences:** Joz Motmans (UZ Ghent, Belgium)
- **Voice and communication:** Marjan Cosyns (UZ Ghent, Belgium)
- **Surgery:** Stan Monstrey (UZ Ghent, Belgium)
- **Law:** Alecs Recher (TGEU, Transgender Network Switzerland (TGNS))

**10:45 – 11:15: Coffee Break**

## 11:15 – 12:45: Stream Sessions III

### STREAM MENTAL HEALTH

#### Session 3a: Body image, body uneasiness, and sexuality

Chair: Thomas D. Steensma

1. The consequences of body uneasiness in gender dysphoric persons: pathological behaviours and eating psychopathology  
Giovanni Castellini, A.D. Fisher, E. Fannie, I. Lasagni, L. Benni, V. Ricca, & M. Maggi
2. Body image dissatisfaction and eating-related psychopathology in trans individuals: a matched control study  
Gemma Witcomb, W.P. Bouman, N. Brewin, C. Richards, F. Fernandez, & J. Arcelus
3. Body image and gender dysphoria-the effects of sex reassigning interventions  
Tim Van de Grift, P. Cohen-Kettenis, & B. Kreukels
4. Psychobiological correlates of sexual distress in gender dysphoric individuals without genital reassignment surgery  
Alessandra D. Fisher, G. Castellini, E. Fanni, I. Lasagni, L. Benni, V. Ricca, & M. Maggi

#### Session 3b: Risk, transition, and treatment

Chair: Jana Eyssel

1. Perceived rejection and sexual and physical abuse in childhood and adolescence in Spanish gender dysphoric adults attending a gender unit  
E. Gómez-Gil, Clara De Castro, I. Esteva de Antonio, A.L. Montejo, A. Vidal, A. Guillamón, C. Uribe, GIDSEEN Group, & F. López
2. People with gender dysphoria who self-prescribe cross sex hormones: prevalence, sources and side effect knowledge  
Nick Mepham, W.P. Bouman, K. Wylie, & J. Arcelus

3. Prevalence of HIV, HBV and HCV among transgender persons belonging to an Italian centre qualified for total sex-reassignment surgery  
*Marta Zatta, C. Trombetta, C. Maurel, G. Liguori, M. Serafin & R. Luzzati*
4. HIV, Virus B & Virus C infections and risk behaviours among transsexual persons attending Andalusian gender team  
*María Cruz Almaraz, I.E. de Antonio, J. Martínez Tudela, I. Sánchez Reyes, M.I. Hernández Hidalgo, R. Fernández-García Salazar , F. Soriguer-Escofet*
5. Pre-exposure chemoprophylaxis for HIV Prevention in transgender women  
*Madeline B. Deutsch, J. Sevelius, D. Glidden, & R. Grant*

## **STREAM CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS**

### **Session 3: Ongoing debates**

**Chair: Polly Carmichael**

1. Making up people: understanding gender non-conformity of childhood as both biologically grounded and socially constructed  
*Bernadette Wren*
2. Gender incongruence in childhood in ICD 11: yes or no?  
*Griet De Cuypere, G. Knudson, & J. Green*
3. Gender incongruence in childhood: stigmatizing difference  
*Sam Winter*
4. Gender diversity in childhood from a depathologisation and human rights perspective  
*Amets Suess, P. Crego Walters*
5. Gender Incongruence in childhood: a developmental perspective  
*Kenneth J. Zucker*



## STREAM ENDOCRINOLOGY

### Session 3: Biomedical aspects in transgender care

Chair: Malene Hilden

1. Anti-Müllerian hormone (AMH) serum levels are correlated with the number of intermediary and primary follicles in ovaries of female-to-male transgender persons  
*Chloë De Roo, S. Lierman, K. Tillemans, M. Cornelissen, S. Weyers, G. T'Sjoen, & P. De Sutter*
2. Volumetric magnetic resonance imaging analysis of putamen in therapy naive transsexual patients  
*Ana Starčević, D. Marković Žigić, M. Daković, B. Starcevic, & B. Filipović*
3. Bone health in trans men: one year follow-up data from a prospective case-controlled study (ENIGI)  
*Eva Van Caenegem, K. Wierckx, Y. Taes, T. Schreiner, S. Vandewalle, J.-M. Kaufman, & G. T'Sjoen*
4. Peak bone mass in young adulthood following gonadotropin releasing hormone analogue (GnRHa) treatment during sex reassignment in adolescence  
*Daniel Klink, M. Caris, M. van Trotsenburg, & J. Rotteveel*
5. Bone metabolism in transsexual patients after sex reassignment surgery  
*Esther Botto, G. Motta, E. Castellano, C. Dell'Aquila, & C. Manieri*

## STREAM SOCIAL SCIENCES

### Session 3: Trans\* sexualities, embodiment and dilemmas

Chair: Zowie Davy

1. Sexual victimization of transgender people in the Netherlands: prevalence, risk factors, experiences and needs  
*Marianne Cense, S. de Haas & T. Doorduyn*
2. Is there a penalty to being a woman? Or to becoming one?  
*Lydia Geijtenbeek & E. Plug*

3. Discovering of self: identity formation process of transsexuals in Ukraine  
*Olena Romaniuk*
4. The point of no identity: linguocultural impact on transgender mental health  
*Ian Zborovskaya*

## **STREAM VOICE AND COMMUNICATION**

### **Session 3: Female-to-male transsexual voice**

**Chair: Christella Antoni**

1. Voice in female-to-male transsexual persons after long-term androgen therapy  
*Marjan Cosyns, J. Van Borsel, K. Wierckx, D. Dedecker, F. Van de Peer, T. Daelman, S. Laenen, & G. T'Sjoen*
2. Voice assessment and voice changes in trans men during testosterone treatment  
*Ulrika Nygren, A. Nordenskjöld, S. Arver, & M. Södersten*
3. The singing female-to-male (FTM) voice research and programme: ten years on  
*Alexandros N. Constansis*
4. Case study of a performance-active changing female-to-male (FTM) voice  
*Alexandros N. Constansis*
5. Sing for your life! Establishing a transgender voice group: benefits to students and clients  
*Gillie Stoneham*

## **STREAM SURGERY**

### **Session 3: FTM surgery, techniques and outcomes**

**Chair: Stan Monstrey**

1. A systematic review of patient-reported outcome measures for trans men undergoing chest contouring surgery  
*Chloe Wright & J. Walls*

2. Dermal flap nipple preserving mastectomy for trans men: a new technique  
*J. Henderson, A.J. Volleamere, D. Rees, & Janet Walls*
3. Patient reported outcomes for metoidioplasty  
*F.E. Kühhas, F. De Luca, M. Spilotros, S. Richardson, G. Garaffa, D.J. Ralph, & Nim A. Christopher*
4. Light touch, erogenous neophallus sensation, sexual function, durability of neophallus dimensions, and pre/post op satisfaction following 3-stage phalloplasty genital gender confirming surgery  
*Maurice M. Garcia, N.A. Christopher, F. De Luca, M. Spilotros, & D.J. Ralph*
5. Reversal surgery in regretful transsexuals after sex reassignment surgery  
*V. Kojovic, Marta Bizic, B. Stojanovic, D. Duisin, S. Vujovic, J. Barisic, A. Milosevic, M.L. Djordjevic*

## **12:45 - 13:15: Closing Ceremony**

- *Reflection about the first EPATH Conference*, by Jamison Green, president of WPATH
- *Closing remarks*, by Guy T'Sjoen (EPATH)
- *Announcement of the next EPATH conference*

## **14:00 – 18:00: Meeting & Networking Opportunities**

- EPATH Board meeting & EPATH 2017 meeting – Red room “Rector Gillis” (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)
- WPATH Board meeting – Orange room “Oude Infirmerie” (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

## Poster Overview

1. Preliminary data on adolescents with gender dysphoria at the Unit in the AOU-Careggi (Florence, Italy)  
Jiska Ristori, A. D. Fisher, P. Antonelli, D. Dèttore, & M. Maggi
2. Discomfort discussing trans issues with family physicians: correlates and implications for clinical practice  
Ayden I. Scheim, G.R. Bauer, X. Zong, & R. Hammond
3. Eating disorder in a transgendered patient: a case report  
Celona Dolores, F. Sandri, A. Zangrando, G. Berna, & E. Pascolo-Fabrizi
4. Hikikomori and hypervigilance: the challenges of social anxiety for younger trans people  
Christina Richards
5. The applicability of WPATH Standard of care in the Italian context: controversial issues and limitations  
Chiara Crespi, V. Mineccia, C. Manieri, & M. Molo
6. Inpatient care of transsexual patients: recent experience  
Dusica Markovic-Zigic, K. Maksimovic, V. Borovnica, L. Kićanović, M. Dorđević
7. Study of oestrogen levels in transwomen of menopausal age  
David Bell & J. Corry
8. Orange is the new black ? Transition in Austria under new recommendations  
Dorothea Nosiska & U. Kaufmann
9. Gender Identity Disorder and personality disorders: a survey on psychiatric comorbidity in a sample of transsexual people  
Elena Senatore, S. Federico, L. Di Blas, T. Bonavigo, D. Papanti, E. Pascolo-Fabrizi

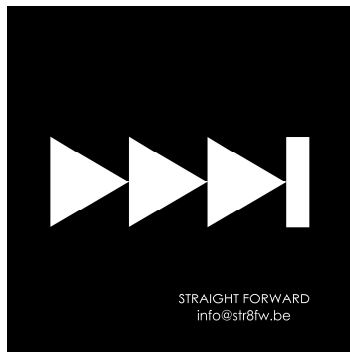
10. Multi-family groups for children and adolescents with gender dysphoria and their families  
*Esther Strittmatter, H. Lind, I. Becker, G. Romer, & B. Möller*
11. Wrong assumptions in transgender care  
*Frederique Retsema*
12. Short term results and proposal of a new questionnaire to evaluate Low Urinary Tract Symptoms (LUTS) and quality of life (QoL) in Male to Female (MTF) transsexuals  
*Guglielmo Melloni, C. Melloni, M. Falcone, M. Carmisciano, C. Ceruti, L. Rolle, M. Timpano, A. Cordova, & B. Frea*
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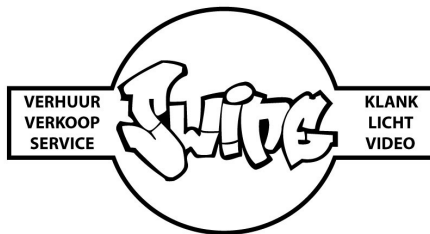
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