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WELCOME ADDRESSES

Dear colleagues,

It is a great pleasure to welcome you to the 2nd EPATH meeting on behalf of the EPATH Board, the Scientific Committee and the Local Organizing Committee. EPATH is designed to support scientific and professional interaction among all fields of transgender health, and wishes to promote transgender health care.

Continuing the excitement and the momentum of EPATH 2015, held in Ghent, Belgium, the Programme Organizing Committee has gathered European, international and local experts to build a challenging scientific symposium. EPATH addresses key issues in the discipline and related areas, at clinical, basic and translational levels, and promises to be an exciting forum for discussion, learning and networking.

The EPATH programme entitled "Contemporary Trans Health in Europe: Focus on Challenges and Improvements" features 17 global opinion-leading scientists delivering plenary lectures, 16 workshops covering the most salient topics in current transgender health, and many oral and poster sessions. There is clearly a strong interest in EPATH, as we had to close our registration system again before our conference started. Do meet and talk to the renowned experts and up-coming stars in our field.

Our recurring sessions 'Transgender Health Care in Europe' and 'The Year in Review' are included in the programme. Don't miss these, because you will learn about clinical services and practices from different parts of Europe or get a synoptic review of notable new literature in various sub-specialities of transgender care.

A significant part of the 2nd biennial EPATH conference consists of surgical aspects of trans health care. There will be a parallel programme for surgeons only (closed session) on April 7th,

organized in close cooperation with the European Association For Gender Surgeons (the EAFGS).

The EPATH board holds its promise to organise a free public event as part of each EPATH conference, in which keynote speakers present actual challenges in the academic, clinical and policy domains of transgender health care. This way the board hopes to foster the dialogue between civil society, politicians and academics in the region the conference is held, and opens its doors to those not able to attend scientific conferences. The public session, specifically invites NGO's, public authorities and the general public interested in transgender health care.

The scientific programme of the 2nd biennial EPATH conference has been made based on rigorous and double-blind peer review of the submitted abstracts for all oral, posters and workshops submissions by the EPATH Scientific Committee. The presenting authors have been selected based on the quality of their submitted scientific research, and our Language Policy was a guiding principle in our feedback to all authors. Accepted abstract are presented as Oral Communications or Guided Posters. Continuing with our effort to go greener at EPATH, all congress abstracts are available to view online, and posters will be presented as e-posters only.

Furthermore, this year, in line with good governance arrangements, all attendees, speakers, sponsors and volunteers at the 2nd biennial EPATH conference are required to agree with our Code of Conduct. We expect cooperation from all participants to help ensure a safe environment for everybody. The code of conduct can also be found at www.epath.eu.

We encourage each of you to listen, to learn, to disagree, to debate, and if required to argue, and most of all to enjoy both, old and new friendships. We also urge you to take advantage of our social programme that aims to foster an environment where fruitful professional links can be made.

We are confident that EPATH 2017 Belgrade will strongly reflect the mission of EPATH: to foster the European knowledge and skills in transgender care, to facilitate and extend the bonds between European countries in transgender care and to spread the results of research and experiences by publishing reports and organizing scientific conferences and meetings and to collaborate with international organisations with the same or related aims

Belgrade is a modern European city with population of about 1.7 million people. It is the administrative, political and cultural center of Serbia. Belgrade is also one of the oldest cities in Europe. This "white city" is the only capital built at the confluence of two big rivers – the Danube and the Sava. The city is interesting every time of year, but it is most beautiful in springtime, when everything is just flourishing and providing a perfect setting for long walks and sightseeing.

We hope you enjoy the congress and consider Belgrade EPATH 2017 as a valuable contribution to your professional development.

Prof. dr. Guy T'Sjoen, EPATH Interim President



Dear visitors, dear guests,

It is a great pleasure to welcome you all to the 2nd EPATH Conference in Belgrade on the behalf of the Scientific and Local Organising Committee. Due to a great confidence of the EPATH Belgrade Gender Team is proud and honoured to organize and to be a part of this important scientific meeting.

The theme of the Conference will be "Contemporary Trans Health in Europe: Focus on Challenges and Improvements" emphasizing the current and permanent efforts of different professionals in the field to promote mental, physical and social health of transgender people in Europe with significant impact in improving their quality of life and ensuring rights for their healthy development and well-being. By fostering the main aims of the EPATH this Conference promote and requires the concerted action of different parties involved, from professionals in mental health, child and adolescence, social sciences, voice and communication, stakeholders within the health sector and many others.

We are very proud to open the Conference with a Plenary Session given by our honourable guest Professor Ivanka Savic-Berglund from the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden entitled "The Neurobiology of Gender Dysphoria - Testing a theory". The second Plenary Session is entitled "The Year in Review" with invited countries: Serbia, Russia, Kyrgyzstan, Sweden and France presenting health care system and practice in their countries. The Public Plenary Session is related to the first 30 years of the Belgrade Gender Dysphoria Team, following the topic related to human rights assessment of trans people's access to healthcare in Europe and the Plenary focusing on the future perspectives and possibilities of application of surgery transplantation in trans care to be given by invited lecturer Dr André Van der Merwe from Stellenbosch University, South Africa.

As with the previous Conference in Ghent, Belgium, the program will continue with Symposia within different streams designed for this meeting covering mental health, children and adolescence, endocrinology, social science, voice and communication, and surgery.

The Conference will host almost 400 participants; over 100 presentations; 37 poster presentations; and 16 multidisciplinary workshops, which are reflecting the main goals of EPATH to facilitate learning, discussion, and exchange among European and international professionals.

A special focus of the 2nd EPATH Conference will be the dialogue between medical, social and legal sciences, including international organizations which share many of the same aims and goals EPATH aspires to; and with whom continuous collaboration is fostered.

Respecting and stressing the multidisciplinary concept in this field the Conference will bring together expert clinicians, researchers and activists strengthening intensive collaboration of all involved parties. It would be a great opportunity for all participants to present, inform and meet contemporary scientific and clinical data and to exchange their knowledge in this respect.

Guided by the motto of the Conference a special focus will be to present and exchange contemporary pictures of trans health in Europe with critical vision needed in order to perceive challenges and perspectives for future improvements that are needed.

The Scientific and Local Organising Committee is proud to host the second EPATH Conference in Belgrade and assume responsibility to achieve the main EPATH goals. We are happy and pretty confident that the Conference will improve future Trans Health Care in Europe and that it will represent an unforgettable personal and professional experience for all participants. We look forward having a great scientific meeting and welcome you to Belgrade "the White City".

Dragana Duisin, MD, PhD President of the Local organizing Committee Belgrade Gender Team Belgrade, Serbia



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Conference Venue

The conference will be held in the conference rooms of the Crown Plaza Hotel in Belgrade. The Crown Plaza is a brand new hotel, which is ideally located in the central business district of Belgrade, at only 13km from the International Belgrade Airport Nikola Tesla, and only 5 minutes' drive from the city centre.

Crowne Plaza Belgrade is the biggest conference hotel in Serbia, featuring 12 meeting rooms, a total of 2,000 m2 of meeting space, and a ballroom of 800 m2. WIFI Internet is free of charge and available in all hotel areas.

The Hotel features stylish state-of-the-art gym, the biggest hotel indoor swimming pool in the city, with large spa area, ideal for relaxation. Crowne Plaza Belgrade offers two large restaurants where you can dine at any time of the day with special attention to the fine dining restaurant PRIME serving national specialties in a modern way.

Please note that smoking within the conference rooms is strictly forbidden. You can find a smoking corner in the hotel lobby on the ground floor.

The Crown Plaza can be found at the following address:

Hotel Crowne Plaza Belgrade, Vladimira Popovića 10, 11070 Belgrade. Hotel Front Desk: 381-11-2204004

Fax: 381-11-2204104

Email: begcp.frontdesk@ihg.com

Reception & Information Desk

The **reception & information desk for the EPATH conference** can be found on your entry on the first floor, in the Foyer. 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 coloured name badges. You can reach us at +32 486 688 579.

If you require taxi services or any local transportation or touristic information, the staff at the information desk on the ground floor of the Hotel Crowne Plaza Belgrade is more than happy to assist you. Should you need to storage your luggage, they can assist you with this as well

Conference Rooms

All plenary sessions will take place in the Pacific room. The oral and poster presentations are organised in streams according to disciplines - please see our overview to find the assigned rooms.

The Surgical Live Streaming on Friday April 7th will take place on the ground floor, in the Exhibition Hall. Only registered attendees for this special session are allowed to join. All other surgical sessions are open to all conference attendees.

All session rooms are equipped with laptop and projection screens. There will be 2 desktop and LCD screens available in the Foyer for those poster presenters who wish to show their poster outside of the assigned posters sessions on Thursday April 6th.

Furthermore, there is a working space available in the Foyer. Printing facilities are available at our registration desk.

Food & Beverages

All food & beverages are included in the conference fee, and will be served in the Foyer.

On Thursday April 6th we have drinks & sandwiches waiting for you upon your arrival in the Foyer, where you can register and meet new and old friends. At 20:00, we offer you a Cocktail Party with food & drinks after the Plenary Public Session. The Cocktail Party ends at 22:00.

On Friday April 7th, lunch is served from 12:30-14:00. The Walking Dinner takes place at the nice riverside restaurant Druga Piazza, Karadjordjeva 2-4, Beton Hala. Transport with busses will be arranged, from the Hotel Crowne Plaza to the restaurant. The Walking dinner with live music will be followed by a party with DJ. Bring you dancing shoes!

Please note that there will be no lunch served on April 8th.

Emergency Numbers

These are the most important emergency numbers in Belgrade and Serbia. If you are dialling from a mobile, you need to add the Belgrade calling code prefix **011.**

Police: 192Firefighters: 193Ambulance: 194

In case you need medical attention, please contact the onsite manager in the Foyer or the Hotel Front Desk on the ground floor. They will contact a doctor/ make other arrangements to suit your needs.

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PROGRAMME

Scientific Presentations

The conference offers **plenary lectures** by keynote speakers, as well as **oral & poster presentations** organised in different streams (Mental Health, Children and Adolescents, Endocrinology, Social Sciences, Surgery, 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.

Oral Presentations

All selected oral presentations in the stream sessions can be 15 minutes long, including 5 minutes Q&A. Workshops last 90 minutes.

We strongly advise all presenters to prepare their talks using PowerPoint (and not alternate presentation software). Please use standard size 4:3. A media projector with a PC laptop (not MAC) will be provided for in each conference room. Please email requests for other audio visual equipment to contact@epath.eu so that the feasibility can be determined ahead of time.

In order to avoid technical difficulties we ask you to upload your PowerPoint presentations by visiting the Ex Ordo abstract submission system. PowerPoint presentations may be uploaded under "Presentations" on the Dashboard of the abstract service (Ex Ordo). All presentation will be available on the laptop (downloaded from this website) in the conference room you're presenting in. Only when you have given your consent, this presentation is made publicly visible to allow others to view your scientific contributions.

Poster presentations

The E-poster session is scheduled to take place Thursday, 6th April from 16:30-17:30. This time, the poster presentations are digital presentations only (no paper posters!).

All posters are presented sequentially in the parallel sessions (see the detailed program to find your presentation slot). These short presentations are 5 minutes long (maximum), and will be strictly timed by the chair.

Posters need to be uploaded under "Presentations" on the Dashboard of the abstract service (Ex Ordo) in PowerPoint format. Posters which are not uploaded onto the system are not allowed to be presented. Uploading is possible until before the start of your session. All presentations will be available on the laptop in the conference room you are presenting in.

Additionally there will be a LCD screen in the FOYER where you can show your poster to interested colleagues during the following conference days (April 7 & 8).

Meetings

The following meetings are scheduled:

- April 6th, 16:00-17:00: Global Education Initiative (GEI) meeting (closed), Executive Board Room
- April 7th, 13:00 -14:00: ENIGI meeting (closed), Executive Board Room
- April 7th, 17:30-18:30: Trans professionals' networking session, Mediterranean.

Code of Conduct

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The 2nd biennial EPATH conference takes place in a friendly environment where everyone should feel welcome, safe and comfortable to share ideas and engage in open discussion without threat of intimidation or public humiliation.

We expect all conference participants to be respectful in person and online towards other delegates, speakers, organizers, staff and volunteers.

We expect all conference participants to behave and to use language that is respectful, non-pathologising and consistent with human rights standards, taking into account its shifting and complex contextual and cultural character. Ultimately this caution applies equally to transgender health and all other formal and informal settings in which human interaction takes place. Please refer to our Language Policy.

We are committed to providing a harassment-free conference and training experience for everyone, regardless of gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, or religion. Harassment of participants, speakers, staff or volunteers in any form will not be tolerated.

Harassment includes offensive verbal comments, and other forms of using disrespectful and pathologising language inconsistent with human rights standards, deliberate intimidation, stalking, following, harassing, photography or recording without explicit consent, sustained disruption of talks or other events, inappropriate physical contact, and unwelcome sexual attention. Conference participants asked to stop any

harassing behaviour are expected to comply immediately. These policies apply in every space at the venue related to conference, and to all participants in every role.

If a participant engages in harassing behaviour, EPATH may take any action they deem appropriate, including warning the offender or expulsion from the conference with no refund.

If you are being harassed, notice that someone else is being harassed, or have any other concerns, please contact a member of conference staff immediately. Timo Nieder of the EPATH Board and Guy Bronselaer, onsite manager, are available as a first point of contact: +32 486 688 579. Conference staff can be identified, as they'll be wearing coloured badges.

We will be happy to assist those experiencing harassment to feel safe for the duration of the event, for example by providing escorts. Contacting police should be the last resource if this is required.

We expect conference participants to follow these rules at all event venues and related social events.

We trust that this code of conduct mirrors the views of the vast majority of our participants.

Thursday	y, 6th April
11:00	Registration Foyer
12:30	PLS-1 Plenary Session I: Opening Pacific Chair: Miroslav Djordjevic
	Welcome Address » Guy T'Sjoen, Joz Motmans, and Dragana Duisin
	Keynote Lecture: The Neurobiology of gender dysphoria – testing a new theory » Ivanka Savic-Berglund
14:00	OS-1A Mental Health I: Mental & Sexual Health and Outcomes in Transgender Health Baltic Chair: Baudewijntje Kreukels & Jon Arcelus
	Suicidal ideation and suicide attempts among a convenience sample of trans persons: an analysis of protective and risk factors » Joz Motmans, Jana Missiaen, Heiderike Seynaeve, Gwendolyn Portzky, and Eva Dumon
	Levels of anxiety and depression in transgender people accessing services: A large matched control study. » Gemma Witcomb, Walter Pierre Bouman, Laurence Claes, Nicola Brewin, John Crawford, and Jon Arcelus
	Gender congruence and psychiatric morbidity after gender-confirming health care: Relation to childhood adversities and adult stressful life events » Cecilia Dhejne, Katarina Görts Öberg, Stefan Arver, Mathias Kardell, Sigbritt Werner, and Mikael Landén

	Sexual health in 42 individuals post gender confirming treatment » Annika Johansson, Owe Bodlund, Torvald Höjerback, and Katarina Görts-Öberg
	The Gender Dissonance Severity Scale (GDSS): Development of a new questionnaire to evaluate treatment outcomes » Beth Jones, Walter Pierre Bouman, Emma Haycraft, Cecilia Dhejne, Griet Decuypere, Helen Greener, and Jon Arcelus
	The Relevance of Measuring Satisfaction with Gender Affirming Surgery: Who Will be (Dis)satisfied and How Does it Impact Quality of Life? A Follow-up Study. » Tim van de Grift, Els Elaut, Susanne Cerwenka, Peggy Cohen-Kettenis, and Baudewijntje Kreukels
14:00	OS-1B Children & Adolescents I: Caring for Transgender Youth in Various Countries Atlantic 2 Chair: Karlien Dhondt & Kaltiala-Heino Riittakerttu
	Gender Dysphoria in children and adolescents: A description of a newly established multidisciplinary public health service in Western Australia. » Liz Saunders, Julie Moore, Hans-willem van Hall, Sarah Robinson, Colette Halpin, and Roxanne Buktenica
	Service Pathway for Older adolescents in the Gender Identity Development Service (GIDS) (UK) » Laura Charlton, Jo Charsley, and Amelia Taylor
	Baseline psychosocial characteristics of children and adolescents with gender dysphoria referred to the Hamburg Gender Identity Service » Inga Becker, Saskia Fahrenkrug, Julia Schweitzer, Birgit Möller, Timo O. Nieder, Wilhelm Preuss, Peer Briken, Hertha Richter-Appelt, and Michael Schulte-Markwort
	Clinical Management of Children and Adolescents with Gender Dysphoria in Israel » Asaf Oren, Anat Segev-becker, Galit Israeli, Gal Biran, and Naomi Weintrob

	Clinical presentation of gender dysphoria across developmental age in Italy: preliminary data from the Italian network of gender clinics for children and adolescents » Angela Caldarera, Chiara Baietto, Alessandra Delli Veneri, Gabriele Di Mario, Maddalena Mosconi, Daniela Nadalin, Luca Palleschi,		Preservation of bone mineral density after 10 years of cross-sex hormonal treatment in trans persons » Chantal Wiepjes, Mariska Vlot, Christel de Blok, Nienke Nota, Maartje Klaver, and Martin den Heijer
	Immacolata Parisi, Anna Paola Sanfelici, Fabiana Santamaria, and Damiana Massara	14:00	OS-1D Social Sciences I: Transgender Health from a Social Science Perspective Mediterranean
14:00	OS-1C Endocrinology I Atlantic 3		Chair: Zowie Davy
	Chair: Matthias Auer Testosterone therapy does not always induce amenorrhea in female to male transgender subjects. » Giovanna Motta, Chiara Crespi, Valentina Mineccia, Anna Gualerzi, Fabio Lanfranco, and Chiara Manieri		"The opportunity to be heard" — Reflections on the participation of gender diverse children and youth in research from a depathologization and human rights perspective » Amets Suess Schwend, Gracia Maroto Navarro, Alfonso Marquina-Marquez, Silvia Bustamante Elvira, Manuela López Doblas, Ainhoa Ruiz Azarola, María Isabel Tamayo Velázquez, Noelia García Toyos, María J.
	Can oestrogen suppress androgen production in male to female transsexuals » Freya Lawrence and David Gerber		Advancing rights based health care in the Netherlands » vreer verkerke
	Cross-Sex Hormone Treatment and Psychobiological Changes in Transsexual Persons: Two-Year Follow-Up Data » Alessandra Fisher, Giovanni Castellini, Jiska Ristori, Helen Casale, Emanuele Cassioli, Carolina Sensi, Egidia Fanni, Anna Maria Letizia Amato, Eva Bettini, Maddalena Mosconi, Davide Dèttore, Valdo Ricca,		Health, disability and quality of life among trans people in Sweden – a web-based survey » Galit Zeluf, Cecilia Dhejne, Carolina Orre, Louise Nilunger Mannheimer, Jonas Höijer, Charlotte Deogan, and Anna Ekéus Thorson
	and Mario Maggi Using Liquid Chromatography Tandem Mass Spectrometry to measure Steroid Hormone Profiles in Gender Dysphoria (GD) Patients in a Multi-		A Qualitative Situational Analysis of Transition Services for Transgender Adults in Belgrade, Serbia » Brogan Luke Geurts and Timo O. Nieder
	Center setting » Florian Josef Schneider, Joachim Wistuba, Michael Zitzmann, Paul- Martin Holterhus, Alexandra Kulle, Stefan Schlatt, and Nina Neuhaus		From inequality to better practice: healthcare access in five European countries from the perspectives of trans people and healthcare practitioners. A 2016 TGEU survey.
	Cross-sex hormonal treatment in transgender persons does not		» Adam Smiley, Richard Köhler, Joz Motmans, and Aisa Burgwal
	decrease areal bone density; a 2 year follow-up study » Justine Defreyne, Josefien Hoedt, Chantal Wiepjes, Eva Van Caenegem, Bruno Lapauw, Stefan Goemaere, Hans Zmierczak, and Guy T'Sjoen	14:00	OS-1E Voice & Communication I Adriatic Chair: Christella Antoni

communicat between Cha	ibility: towards developing a protocol for voice and tion therapy for trans men from of a pilot study undertaken aring Cross Gender Identity Clinic, London and the Laurels	16:30	PS-1 E-Posters Endocrinology & Voice & Social Sciences Baltic Chair: Matthew Mills
» Matthew N	Iline people's voice function based on data from 50		Information provision for young people referred to the Northern (UK) Endocrine Transgender Clinic » Paul Carruthers and Jenny Walker
participants			Type 1 diabetes mellitus is more prevalent than expected in transgender patients; a local observation
The effect o people	f hormonal treatment on the voice perception in transgender		» Justine Defreyne, Dirk De Bacquer, Samyah Shadid, Bruno Lapauw, and Guy T'Sjoen
» Charlotte E Justine Defr	Bultynck, Charlotte Pas, Guy T'Sjoen, Marjan Cosyns, and reyne		"The right to self-determination" — Exploring the experience of different stakeholders with models of trans health care in Andalusia
OS-1F Surg 14:00 Exhibition Ha Chair: Miros	- ·		» Amets Suess Schwend, Gracia Maroto Navarro, Alfonso Marquina- Marquez, Silvia Bustamante Elvira, Manuela López Doblas, Ainhoa Ruiz Azarola, María Isabel Tamayo Velázquez, Noelia García Toyos, María J. Escudero Carretero, Alina Danet Danet, and Paloma Ruiz Román
Keynote: Ut » Milan Mile	erus transplantation, current status and future perspectives nkovic		The Story of the Romanian Trans Community Told by an Young and Inexperinced Endocrinologist » Adriana Gogoi
reassignmen	c, Borko Stojanovic, Vladimir Kojovic, Dragana Duisin, and		What the 2016 Free Event on Practicing Actual Transgender Health and Human Rights (FREE PATHH) has taught us » Frederique Retsema and Jochem Verdonk
» Luis Capita	chniques in Facial Feminization Surgery án, Daniel Simon, Carlos Bailón, Raúl Jiménez-Bellinga, rrez-Santamaría, and Fermín Capitán-Cañadas		Propsychotic effects of the treatment with androgens in gender dysphoric women: A case presentation » Justyna Holka-Pokorska and Adam Woźniak
	nization surgery of forehead: combined augmentation and ion technique		General evaluation of sensitivity courses for police officers on specific needs of transsexual persons in Serbia » Dusica Markovic Zigic, Ljiljana Kicanovic, and Aleksandra Gavrilovic
16:00 Coffee Break	k	16:30	PS-2 E-Posters Mental Health (1) Exhibition Hall Chair: Gemma Witcomb

Sport and physical activity participation among yo adults: The facilitators and barriers » Beth Jones, Jon Arcelus, Walter Pierre Bouman, a			A metric treatment score as an alternative to predefined treatment stages - How to acknowledge individual treatment requests in research with trans individuals in need of transition related medical interventions
Attachment patterns and complex trauma in a sam diagnosed with gender dysphoria » Guido Giovanardi, Carola Maggiora Vergano, Alex Roberto Vitelli, Anna Maria Speranza, and Vittorio I	kandro Fortunato,		» Andreas Koehler, Jana Eyssel, and Timo O. Nieder Lifetime history of non-suicidal self-injury in people diagnosed with gender dysphoria: association with psychological features and perceived discrimination
Psychiatric comorbidities in Gender Dysphoria sub Reassignment Surgery: post surgery outcome. » Gualerzi Anna, Claudia Schettini, Donato Munno,			» Koray Başar and Gökhan öZ Sexual life of transgender individuals in Turkey: the effect of sex
Working with Families and Relatives of LGBTs: Exp	perience with Family		reassignment surgeryY » Berna Ozata Yildizhan, Sahika Yuksel, and Eren Yildizhan
Groups in Turkey » Seven Kaptan, Koray Başar, Sahika Yuksel, and N	lesrin Yetkin		Gender dysphoria and pregnancy » Eirini Rari, Thierry Gallarda, Sandrine Coussinoux, Sébastien
Trans and non-binary assessment of Forensic pati » Christina Richards and Sarah Murjan	ents		Machefaux, François Chauchot, and Marie-Odile Krebs
The development of an evidence-based education of transgender young people in the Republic of Irel » Danika Sharek, Edward McCann, and Sylvia Hunt	land: A PhD study	16:30	PS-5 E-Posters Surgery (1) Adriatic Chair: Gennaro Selvaggi
Perceived Barriers to Transition in Male-Female Tr Adolescents » Heather Wood	ansgender		Narrow neovaginal width in a trans person due to short interramic distance » My Andréasson, Konstantinos Georgas, James Bellringer, and Gennaro Selvaggi
PS-3 E-Posters Mental Health (2) 16:30 Mediterranean Chair: Sahika Yuksel			The state of general health and post-surgical care for transgender people in the U.S. prison system who have had Gender Affirming Surgery (GAS): Where are we and what challenges do we face?
The activities of the Self and Mutual Help Group for of Transgender Counseling of Torre del Lago (Italy present » Massimo Lavaggi, Chiara Dalle Luche, and Regina	r) from 2008 to		 » Maurice Garcia and Penny Goldbold, JD. How big is too big? Functional dimensions of bestselling insertive sex toys to guide maximal neophallus dimensions » Maurice Garcia, Lia Banie, James Bellringer, and Philip Thomas
Amongst labeling and self-ascription: Doing Trans Work and interaction. » Lasse Peschka and David Garcia	gender in Identity		Anterolateral Thigh Phalloplasty: Prefabricating urethra technique » Kamol Pansritum

	One-stage gender reassignment surgery in female-to-male transsexuals » Borko Stojanovic, Marta Bizic, Vladimir Kojovic, and Miroslav Djordjevic		Quality of life survey to assess the psychosocial benefits of gender affirming surgery in female-to-male transgender patients » Andre Alcon, Eric Wang, Rachel Lentz, Natnaelle Admassu, Kelsey B Loeliger, Merisa Piper, and Esther Kim
	Ethical framework for penile transplantation surgery for trans-people » Gennaro Selvaggi		The "LUTS-QoL T Test" a reliable tool to evaluate symptoms of lower
16:30	PS-6 E-Posters Surgery (2) Aegean Chair: James Bellringer		urinary tract in male-to-female transsexuals » Carlo Melloni, Guglielmo Melloni, Marco Carmisciano, Massimiliano Timpano, Luigi Di Rosa, Luigi Rolle, Marco Falcone, Giovanni Zabbia, Adriana Cordova, and Paolo Gontero
	Surgical Indications and Outcomes of Mastectomy in Transmen: A Prospective Study of Technical and Self-Reported Outcome Measures. » Tim van de Grift, Lian Elfering, Mark-Bram Bouman, Müjde Özer, Marlon Buncamper, Jan Maerten Smit, and Margriet Mullender		Modified preparation technique of the neurovascular bundle in male to female gender confirming surgery » Jochen Hess, Alexander Henkel, Isabella Kurth, Leo Panic, Herbert Rübben, Roberto Rossi Neto, and Yasmine Hess-Busch
	Transgender Top Surgery & the Hybrid Nipple Flap: A Retrospective Review of Data on Surgical Outcomes and Patient-Reported Satisfaction at NYU Langone Medical Center, Hansjörg Wyss Department of Plastic Surgery		The Combined Vaginoplasty Technique: Outcomes after MTF Sex Reassignment Surgery - a Prospective Study » Nikolaos A. Papadopulos and Dmitry Zavlin
	» Grace Poudrier, Whitney Saia, Jessie Yu, and Alexes Hazen		Surgical Micro-dissection of the posterior commissure after during vaginoplasty: Observations to explain common post-operative
	Video: Post phalloplasty urethral fistula correcting by Martius' Flap » Maxime Deslandes, Romain Weigert, Vincent Casoli, Mathieu Bondaz, Sophie Boulon, and Grégoire Capon		complications and proposed strategies for their prevention » Maurice Garcia
	Delivery of a truly patient-centred service for chest reconstruction in trans gender persons » Chloe Wright, Kate Williams, and Grit Dabritz	18:00	PLS-2 Plenary Session II: Public Pacific Chair: Guy T'Sjoen & Dragana Duisin
16:30	PS-7 E-Posters Surgery (3) Danube		Welcome Address » Guy T'Sjoen and Miroslav Djordjevic
10.00	Chair: Hannes Sigurjonsson		Welcome Address » Zlatibor Lončar
	Sexuality after male to female gender confirming surgery » Jochen Hess, Isabella Kurth, Alexander Henkel, Leo Panic, Herbert Rübben, Roberto Rossi Neto, and Yasmine Hess-Busch		Belgrade Gender Dysphoria Team – Our first 30 years » Svetlana Vujovic
	Effects on Patients' Quality of Life, Satisfaction and Psychosocial Status after Female to Male Sex Reassignment Surgery » Nikolaos A. Papadopulos and Benjamin Ehrenberger		Pathologised, underserved: a human rights assessment of trans people's access to healthcare in Europe » Richard Köhler

	Penile transplantations: lessons for surgeons in trans care » Andre van der Merwe, Rafique Moosa, Nicola Barsdorf, Frank Graewe, Alexander Zuhlke, and Amir Zarrabi
20:00	Reception (drinks & food) Foyer

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09:00	OS-2E Live Surgery Session (part 1) [surgical program] Exhibition Hall Chair: Miroslav Djordjevic & Mark-Bram Bouman
09:00	PLS-3 Plenary Session III: Transgender Health Care in Europe Pacific Chair: Svetlana Vujovic & Annelou de Vries
	Transgender Health Care in Europe: Serbia » Dragana Duisin, Borko Stojanović, Vladimir Kojovic, Marta Bizic, Svetlana Vujovic, Miroslav Djordjevic, and Jasmina Barisic
	Transgender Health Care in Europe: Russia » Dmitrii Isaev
	Transgender Health Care in Europe: Kyrgyzstan » Irina Karagapolova and Sanjar Kurmanov
	Transgender Health Care in Europe: Sweden » Stefan Arver
	Transgender Health Care in Europe: France » Marc Revol
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11:00	OS-2A Mental Health II: Autistic Spectrum Symptomatology and Non- binary Genders Baltic Chair: Dez Glidden
	Autistic Spectrum Disorders in a Transgender Population Attending Transgender Health Services: A Comparative Study between a Large Group of Transgender and Cisgender People. » Anna Nobili, Cris Glazebrook, Simon Baron-Cohen, Walter Pierre Bouman, Paula Smith, Derek Glidden, and Jon Arcelus
	Autistic symptoms in adults with gender dysphoria: Are we observing reality? » Anna van der Miesen, Lieke Vermaat, Annelou de Vries, and Baudewijntje Kreukels
	Autistic Gender Identity Differences – Resisting the Social Schema? » Reubs Walsh, Sander Begeer, and Lydia Krabbendam
	Non binary/genderqueer demographics at a large Gender Clinic » Christina Richards, Walter Bouman, and Jon Arcelus
	Identifications, Treatment Experiences and Requests in (Non-)Binary Trans Individuals » Timo O. Nieder, Jana Eyssel, and Andreas Koehler
11:00	OS-2AB Mental Health IIb: Discrimination and Stigma Aegean Chair: Dragana Duisin
	Trans Swiss: Gender Minority Stress and Psychological Well-Being in Swiss Transpersons » Tiziana Jäggi, Salvatore Corbisiero, Andreas Maercker, Dirk Schaefer, and David Garcia

	Who has the worst attitudes toward sexual minorities? Comparison of transphobia and homophobia levels in gender dysphoric individuals, the general population and health care providers. » Alessandra Fisher, Giovanni Castellini, Jiska Ristori, Helen Casale, Guido Giovanardi, Nicola Carone, Egidia Fanni, Maddalena Mosconi, Giacomo Ciocca, Emmanuele Jannini, Valdo Ricca, Vittorio Lingiardi, and Mario Maggi
	Predicting physical activity engagement in treatment seeking transgender people » Beth Jones, Jon Arcelus, Walter Pierre Bouman, and Emma Haycraft
	Social and psychological correlates of transphobia. » Antonio Prunas
	"To Speak or not to speak": Voice satisfaction in adolescents with gender dysphoria. » Sally Phillott, Amelia Taylor, and Matei Dudu
11:00	OS-2B Children & Adolescents II: Assessing Prevalence, Treatment Satisfaction and Mental Health Atlantic 2 Chair: Riittaekrttu Kaltiala-Heino & Jiska Ristori
	Adolescents' Retrospective Suggestions for Improving Children's Services in Gender Identity Clinics in the Netherlands » Tom Bootsma, Simon Doomernik, Aike Pronk, and Dennis van Dijk
	Mental health assessment of transgender youth in a clinical paediatric setting; should standardised psychological measures be scored by norms of birth assigned sex or identified gender? » Liz Saunders, Hans-willem van Hall, Julie Moore, Sarah Robinson, Colette Halpin, and Roxanne Buktenica
	Gender Trouble: Item 110 on the Child Behavior Checklist and Youth Self-Report » Kenneth Zucker and Thomas D. Steensma
	Exploring Gender Diversity: New Questionnaire Proposal » Jos Twist and Nastasja de Graaf

	Prevalence of adolescent gender variance in Germany » Inga Becker, Ulrike Ravens-Sieberer, Veronika Ottová-Jordan, and Michael Schulte-Markwort
11:00	OS-2BB Children & Adolescents IIb: Challenges in Transgender Care for Youth Adriatic Chair: Polly Carmichael & Louise Frisen
	Facilitating the social transition of a trans female adolescent in a secure children's home: opportunities and challenges in the youth justice system » Anna Churcher Clarke and Garry Richardson
	Bioethics and Transgender Youth – Moral Ways of Working » Heather Wood
	Gender care in young children: What do we do, what do we know and what do they want? » Thomas Wormgoor and Thomas D. Steensma
	Finding the you that fits you: a young adult's account of their trans journey and reflections from their former clinician » Matt Bristow
	Misdiagnosing Gender Dysphoria in Adolescents: 5 Case Studies » David Bathory
11:00	OS-2C Endocrinology II Atlantic 3 Chair: Martin den Heijer
	Transient elevated serum prolactin in trans women is caused by cyproterone acetate treatment » Justine Defreyne, Nienke Nota, Pereira Cecilia, Thomas Schreiner, Alessandra Fisher, Guy T'Sjoen, and Martin den Heijer
	In vitro activation and maturation of primordial follicles of trans men is currently limited by inadequate support of the preantral follicle growth » Chloë De Roo, Kelly Tilleman, Sylvie Lierman, Guy T'Sjoen, Ria Cornelissen, Steven Weyers, and Petra De Sutter

	Anti-Mullerian Hormone serum levels remain stable under cross-sex hormone therapy of transgender men » Iris Yaish, Gustavo Malinger, Yael Sofer, Mariana Yaron, Dana Zaid, Foad Azem, Naftali Stern, and Yona Greenman
	Blood pressure development in adolescents diagnosed with gender dysphoria assigned male at birth treated with gonadotropin-releasing hormone analogues and gender affirming hormones. » Nienke Bosman and Daniel Klink-Scholten
11:00	OS-2D Social Sciences II: Transgender Families Mediterranean Chair: Amets Suess
11:00	Families and Children with a Trans* parent - a multiperspective qualitative approach » Silvano Cassio Barbieri, Jonas Bjoerklund, and Birgit Moeller
11:15	Stigma by association among relatives of transgender individuals in the Netherlands: a qualitative study » Eva-Marijn Patty-Stegemann, Mark Hommes, and Arjan Bos
11:30	Between ally, partner & parent: Role ambiguity and role conflict among partners of trans individuals » Myrte Dierckx, Dimitri Mortelmans, and Joz Motmans
11:45	Experiences of parents who have transgender children (minor and adult) in Croatia- The qualitative study » Iva Žegura and Ivana Vrbat
12:30	Lunch Foyer
14:00	MW-1A SOC8 and EPATH Language Policy Pacific Chair:
	Standards of Care Upcoming Version 8 and EPATH Language Policy » Griet Decuypere, Lin Fraser, Eli Coleman, Gail Knudson, Amets Suess Schwend, Walter Pierre Bouman, Joz Motmans, and Adam Smiley

14:00	MW-1B Fertility in Trans Persons Atlantic 2 Chair:
	Fertility in transgender persons » Justine Defreyne, Chloë De Roo, Petra De Sutter, Kelly Tilleman, Joz Motmans, Baudewijntje Kreukels, Bjorn Menten, Guy T'Sjoen, and Norah van Mello
14:00	MW-1C Increasing Knowledge & Sharing Expertise with Nonspecialist Mental Health Professionals Atlantic 3 Chair:
	Two experiences of increasing knowledge and sharing expertise with non-specialist mental health professionals: "Queering CBT in UK" and "Creating of non-pathologising discourse on SOGISC and alternative educational programs in RF" » Hannah Waters, Irina Karagapolova, Matt Bristow, Anna Hutchinson, and Veronika Iureva
14:00	MW-1D Trans People in Palliative Care Mediterranean Chair:
	Gender and Identity at the End of Life: Considerations for Trans People in Palliative Care » Katherine Whitehead
14:00	MW-1E Gender Care Models in Transition Adriatic Chair:
	The Amsterdam Couch Discussion on Tour: Gender care models in transition » Annelijn Wensing-Kruger, Brand Coumou, and Thomas D. Steensma

14:00	MW-1F Needs of Trans People and Their Families Baltic Chair:
	"Can I still say Dad?: An Exploration of Loss and Grief Experienced by Irish Adult Transgender Women and their Families » Vanessa Lacey
14:00	MW-1G Dutch Transgender History: Learning Lessons from almost 60 Years of Experience Aegean Chair:
	Sixty years of Dutch transgender history: useful experience for Eastern Europe? » Alex Bakker
14:00	MW-1H Building an Inclusive Curriculum Sava Chair:
	Inclusion of transgender health and rights and needs-based care in the medical curriculum » Carles Pericas Escalé and Silvano Cassio Barbieri
14:00	OS-2 Live Surgery Session (part 2) [surgical program] Exhibition Hall Chair: Miroslav Djordjevic & Mark-Bram Bouman
15:30	Coffee Break Foyer
16:00	MW-2A Discussion on Adolescents' Retrospective suggestions for Improving Children's Services Baltic Chair:

	Discussion on Adolescents' Retrospective Suggestions for Improving Children's Services in Gender Identity Clinics » Tom Bootsma, Simon Doomernik, Aike Pronk, and Dennis van Dijk
16:00	MW-2B Working Together with Families of Gender Diverse Youth Adriatic Chair:
	Working together with families of gender diverse youth from different contexts and cultures – a multi-disciplinary, multi service workshop » Sarah Davidson, Frederike Kienzle, Katrin Lehmann, Alanna Kierans, and Anna Hames
16:00	MW-2C Trans Perspectives on the Current ICD Revision Process Atlantic 3 Chair:
	Trans perspectives on the current ICD revision process: Advancements, challenges, proposals and strategies » Adam Smiley and Amets Suess Schwend
16:00	MW-2D Enhancing Sexual Function Post Gender Confirming Surgery Mediterranean Chair:
	Enhancing Sexual Function Post Gender Confirming Surgery » Gail Knudson, Cecilia Dhejne, Griet Decuypere, Sarah Murjan, and Sally Robbins-Cherry
16:00	MW-2E Research Update by the European Network for the Investigation of Gender Incongruence (ENIGI) Atlantic 2 Chair:
	Research update by the European Network for the Investigation of Gender Incongruence (ENIGI) » Christel de Blok, Nienke Nota, Justine Defreyne, Maartje Klaver, Chantal Wiepjes, Alessandra Daphne Fisher, Thomas Schreiner, Martin den Heijer, and Guy T'Sjoen

16:00	MW-2F Facial Feminisation Surgery Aegean Chair:
	10 years in Facial Feminization » Luis Capitán, Javier Gutiérrez-Santamaría, and Fermín Capitán- Cañadas
16:00	MW-2G The Intersectional Role of Speech and Language Therapy & Psychology Danube Chair:
	Hearing trans voices: authenticity and identity in voice change and the intersectional role of speech and language therapy and psychology. » Matthew Mills, Penny Lenihan, and Jess Gran
16:00	OS-2E Surgery II: from Beginning to the End Exhibition Hall Chair: Marlon Bunkamper
16:00	Postoperative complications of male to female sex reassignment surgery: a 9 years French retrospective study » Sara Leuzzi, Sarra Cristofari, Jonathan Rausky, and Marc Revol
16:20	Pelvic anatomy and transgender vaginoplasty surgery: Proposed anatomy and physiologic-based considerations to guide pre-operative counseling, surgical approach, self-dilation, and douching » Maurice Garcia
16:40	Sexual sensation in post operative trans women » Myriam Vigny-Pau, Iffy Middleton, and James Bellringer
17:00	Phalloplasty in female-to-male transsexuals by Gottlieb and Levine's free radial forearm flap technique - A long-term single center experience over more than two decades » Anna Wirthmann, Pawel Majenka, Ahmet Bozkurt, Michael Sohn, and Ulrich Rieger

20:00	Walking Dinner Druga Piazza restaurant	

Saturday, 8th April	
09:00	PLS-4 Plenary Session IV: the Year in Review Pacific Chair: Marta Bizic & Timo O. Nieder
	The Year in Review: Mental Health » Jon Arcelus
	The Year in Review: Children and Adolescents » Karlien Dhondt
	The Year in Review: Endocrinology » Yona Greenman
	The Year in Review: Social Sciences » Surya Monro
	The Year in Review: Voice and Communication » Christella Antoni
	The Year in Review: Surgery » Miroslav Djordjevic
	The Year in Review: Law » Alexander Schuster
10:45	Coffee Break Foyer
11:15	OS-3A Mental Health III: Cross Sectional and Follow up Studies Baltic Chair: Cecilia Dhejne

	National Swedish Quality Register for Transgender Health » Ulrika Beckman, Maria Sundin, Lennart Fällberg, Inger Bryman, Marie Degerblad, Cecilia Dhejne, Attila Fazekas, Margaretha Goransson, Annika Johansson, Fotios Papadopoulos, Lars-Goran Sjostrom, Maria Sodersten, and Gennaro Selvaggi	
	Adult desisters from sex reassignment program in France » KARPEL Léa, Samuel CATTOIR, Gardel Bérénice, and Cordier Bernard	
	Specifics and challenges of psychological assessment of transsexual individuals – 3 years of experience » Vladimir Borovnica, Dusica Markovic Zigic, Dušanka Vučinić Latas, Katarina Maksimović, and Joana Marić	
	Influence of basic personality dimensions on adaptation processes and quality of life in patients with gender dysphoria in post transitory period » Jasmina Barisic, Dragana Duisin, Miroslav Djordjevic, Svetlana Vujovic, and Marta Bizic	
11:15	OS-3AB Mental Health IIIb: Transgender Health Services around Europe Adriatic Chair: Griet De Cuypere	
	Sexual and mental health of transgender persons in Croatia » Iva Žegura, Ivana Vrbat, and Goran Arbanas	
	Slovenian Interdisciplinary team for gender identity confirmation -our experiences from 2013-2016 » Irena Rahne Otorepec and Peter Zajc	
	Counceling Turkish immigrant families with transgender members » Sahika Yuksel	
11:15	OS-3B Children & Adolescents III: Baseline and Follow-up Characteristics of Transgender Youth Atlantic 2 Chair: Dagmar Pauli & Milica Pejovic-Milovancevic	

11:15	Psychological characteristics of Italian Gender Dysphoric adolescents: a case control study. » Alessandra Daphne Fisher, Jiska Ristori, Giovanni Castellini, Carolina Sensi, Emanuele Cassioli, Antonio Prunas, Maddalena Mosconi, Roberto Vitelli, Valdo Ricca, Davide Dèttore, and Mario Maggi
11:30	Self-Harm and Suicidality in Dutch Children Referred for Gender Dysphoria » Thomas D. Steensma, Peggy Cohen-Kettenis, Doug Vanderlaan, and Kenneth Zucker
11:45	Second Year Follow Up: Gender variant young adolescents accessing physical interventions » Polly Carmichael, Nastasja de Graaf, Russell Viner, Gary Butler, and Domenico Di Ceglie
12:00	Body fat changes in adolescents diagnosed with gender dysphoria and treated with GnRH analogues and cross-sex hormones » Maartje Klaver, Niek Van Regteren, Joost Rotteveel, Martin den Heijer, and Daniel Klink
11:15	OS-3C Endocrinology III: Neurobiology Atlantic 3 Chair: Malene Hidden
	Resting-state functional connectivity patterns are altered in adolescents diagnosed with gender dysphoria » Nienke Nota, Baudewijntje Kreukels, Julie Bakker, Martin den Heijer, Peggy Cohen-Kettenis, Dick Veltman, and Sarah Burke
	The influence of prenatal and pubertal testosterone on brain lateralisation » Tess Beking, Reint Geuze, Baudewijntje Kreukels, and Ton Groothuis
	The influence of cross-sex hormone treatment on brain lateralisation in persons with Gender Dysphoria » Tess Beking, Sarah Burke, Baudewijntje Kreukels, Reint Geuze, and Ton Groothuis

	Neural correlates of social rejection sensitivity in trans persons on cross-sex hormone therapy » Sven Mueller, Katrien Wierckx, and Guy T'Sjoen
	Neural correlates of sexual arousal in trans persons on cross-sex hormone therapy » Sven Mueller, Katrien Wierckx, and Guy T'Sjoen
11:15	OS-3D Social Sciences III: Transgender Citizenship Mediterranean Chair: Janneke van der Ros
	Negotiating the (bio)medical gaze – Care-users' experiences of trans- specific healthcare in Sweden » Ida Linander, Erika Alm, Lisa Harryson, and Anne Hammarström
	Gender Pluralism: How useful is it in supporting the health of transgender people? » Surya Monro, Daniela Crocetti, and Tracey Yeadon-lee
	What is Gender Dysphoria?: A meta-narrative review » Zowie Davy and Michael Toze
11:15	OS-3E Surgery III: Phalloplasty: Techniques, Outcomes, and Complications Aegean Chair: Stan Monstrey & Marta Bizic
	Latissimus dorsi phalloplasty combined with urethral lengthening as a one stage surgery for female transsexuals » Vladimir Kojovic, Marta Bizic, Borko Stojanovic, and Miroslav Djordjevic
	Immediate Pedicled Gracilis Flap in Radial Forearm Flap Phalloplasty for Transgender Male Patients to Reduce Urinary Fistula » Christopher Salgado, Harvey Chim, and Christopher Gomez
	Patients' Priorities regarding Female-To-Male Sex Confirmation Surgery - A Pilot Study of 47 Patients in Sweden » Josephine Jacobsson, My Andréasson, Lars Kölby, Anna Elander, and Gennaro Selvaggi

	A novel biological device to secure and protect neophallus penile prosthesis cylinders and the neourethra for phalloplasty: acellularized while penile Tunica & Glans tissues made from human penis following
	vaginoplasty » Maurice Garcia, Lia Banie, and Guiting Lin
	Urethral complications after female to male gender reassignment surgery » Aaron Weinberg, Dmitriy Nikolavsky, Jamie Levine, and Lee Zhao
12:30	PL-3 Plenary Closing Ceremony & Announcement of EPATH2019 Pacific



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A tradition, which started in Ghent in 2015 is to work closely with the local trans community in organising EPATH conferences. Trans activists are offered the possibility to be involved in the conference as volunteers, and in return attend the conference free of charge. For EPATH2017 we're happy to be working with two excellent organisations in the field of human rights for trans people: EGAL and GAYTEN LGBT. Please take a moment to get to know them, you can recognise them as crew members at the conference.

Introducing EGAL

Egal's *MISSION* is to introduce system change of the politics and mechanisms of human rights protection and absolute recognition of all trans* and LGBI persons' rights and needs through establishing of a supportive socio-political climate in the Republic of Serbia.

Egal's *VISION* is to become a leading organization in combating discrimination, stigmatization and human rights violation of trans* and LGBI persons, recognized publicly, institutionally, regionally and internationally.

CSO Egal has been active in the field for years, in constant, direct contact with the trans* and LGBI community, providing needed aid and support. "Egal" has been providing services, based on volunteer work and resources invested by founders and friends, primarily focusing on trans* persons, but also on LGBI members of the community. Based on the years-long experience in combating discrimination, violence and other trans* and LGBI human rights violations, members of other vulnerable groups are also addressing to CSO "Egal", asking for different kinds of aid and support.

A Drop-in center for trans* and LGBI persons is in the process of being established in Belgrade – Egal's dedicated work has been

institutionally recognized and supported through granting facilities for DPC by the City of Belgrade authorities. DPC will formalize and improve services for community members in need of:

- a. Psychological and psycho-social counselling and support
- Legal aid and protection from violence and discrimination
- c. Urgent housing and care
- d. Voluntary confidential counselling and testing (VCCT)
- e. Postoperative treatment after gender reassignment surgery

All services, specifically tailored to address the needs of LGBTI community members, taking special care of diversities, are unique and cannot be found within official institutions.

An added value of DPC is that it will coordinate research and needs assessment of the community members, along with gathering field data including monitoring hate crimes and cases of discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

Besides providing direct support, Egal's efforts include lobbying and advocacy and visibility activities. Among other things, Egal is the organizer of Pride Serbia Parade.

Introducing Gayten-LGBT

Gayten-LGBT is the first and the oldest all-inclusive organisation in Serbia, officially founded in 2001. The vision of Gayten-LGBT is the full integration, affirmation and respect of LGBTIQ human rights, culture and existence within the society, and its mission is the contribution to the creation and implementation of legislation, institutional operation and development of overall societal environment directed towards the removal of all forms of violence and discrimination against LGBTIQ people.

Gayten-LGBT was awarded 3 international awards (Heimdahl Award for Media, Grizzly Bear and European Pride for organizing the first Pride in Serbia in 2001) and has implemented over 60 projects so far. Gayten-LGBT is, also, the first organization in Serbia to acknowledge and base its work primarily on gender identity and expression, and not only on sexual orientation. Its approach is based on intersectionality and taking into account multiple forms of discrimination people are exposed to. Gayten-LGBT's work is based on queer and post-feminist principles, and it always pays special attention to those with less power and those whose rights are less respected and not implemented. Gayten-LGBT has pioneered in the ex-Yugoslavian region in the area of gender identity and advancing the rights, existence and culture of trans, intersex and queer/gender non-conforming people.

Today Gayten-LGBT focuses its work around numerous activities, from the grassroots to working with the state institutions. Those activities are organized in four main groups:

- n) providing various services to LGBTIQ people (LGBTIQ helpline, trans support group, legal counselling, psychological counselling via Facebook, e-mail and individual consultations, counselling and psychotherapy), in order to continue empowering the community and gain direct insights into the needs and challenges that LGBTIQ people face on a regular basis in Serbia;
- 2) continuously advocating for improvement of the situation of LGBTIQ people in Serbia and wider region (especially regarding changes in legal domain), including creation and advocating for adoption of Law on gender identity;
- social media (through Gayten-LGBT Facebook page, website www.transserbia.org and first regional TIQ forum);
- 4) activities in the areas of education, research, culture and art. Gayten-LGBT continues to cooperate with both the region and the abroad in empowering the primarily trans, intersex and gender non-conforming community and LGBTIQ on the whole.

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ABOUT EPATH

The European Professional Association for Transgender Health (EPATH) was 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 also 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.

Please read more about our aims & goals and about our subdivisions on www.epath.eu.

Membership & Structure

At this very moment, EPATH has no official structure yet, and therefore no membership fee of its own. However, every WPATH member from Europe is automatically an 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 2015 conference in Ghent, the first (interim) board of EPATH was installed. It will be one of the important tasks of the interim board to set up the official structure for EPATH. During the General Assembly at the WPATH conference in June 2016 in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, the EPATH members approved a motion for the current Interim EPATH Board to work further on this issue. It is our aim to be registered as an international non-profit organisation in 2018.

EPATH works in close cooperation with both the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) as well as with Transgender Europe (TGEU) – and includes a liaison board member of both organisations in its Board of Directors.

Interim-board

The EPATH Interim Board consists of the following members:

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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 Student Initiative has formally started at the EPATH conference in 2015. Those interested in transgender health and the Student Initiative can get in touch through student@epath.eu. The Student Initiative also organises a workshop during this conference, and warmly invites students to come and participate!