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FOCUS ON CHALLENGES AND IMPROVEMENTS

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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 2\textsuperscript{nd} 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:

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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: 192
- Firefighters: 193
- Ambulance: 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.

- Hotel Front Desk: +381-11-2204115
- EPATH onsite manager: +32 486 688 579
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, 6th April**

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<td>Suicidal ideation and suicide attempts among a convenience sample of trans persons: an analysis of protective and risk factors&lt;br&gt;» Joz Motmans, Jana Missiaen, Heiderike Seynaeve, Gwendolyn Portzky, and Eva Dumon</td>
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<td>Levels of anxiety and depression in transgender people accessing services: A large matched control study.&lt;br&gt;» Gemma Witcomb, Walter Pierre Bouman, Laurence Claes, Nicola Brewin, John Crawford, and Jon Arcelus</td>
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<td>Gender congruence and psychiatric morbidity after gender-confirming health care: Relation to childhood adversities and adult stressful life events&lt;br&gt;» Cecilia Dhejne, Katarina Görts-Öberg, Stefan Arver, Mathias Kardell, Sigbritt Werner, and Mikael Landén</td>
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<td>Gender Dysphoria in children and adolescents: A description of a newly established multidisciplinary public health service in Western Australia.&lt;br&gt;» Liz Saunders, Julie Moore, Hans-willem van Hall, Sarah Robinson, Colette Halpin, and Roxanne Buktenica</td>
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<td>Service Pathway for Older adolescents in the Gender Identity Development Service (GIDS) (UK)&lt;br&gt;» Laura Charlton, Jo Charsley, and Amelia Taylor</td>
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<td>Baseline psychosocial characteristics of children and adolescents with gender dysphoria referred to the Hamburg Gender Identity Service&lt;br&gt;» Inga Becker, Saskia Fahrenkrug, Julia Schweitzer, Birgit Möller, Timo O. Nieder, Wilhelm Preuss, Peer Briken, Hertha Richter-Appelt, and Michael Schulte-Markwort</td>
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**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, Immacolata Parisi, Anna Paola Sanfelici, Fabiana Santamaria, and Damiana Massara

**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

**Can oestrogen suppress androgen production in male to female transsexuals**
« Freya Lawrence and David Gerber

**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 Dettore, Valdo Ricca, and Mario Maggi

**Using Liquid Chromatography Tandem Mass Spectrometry to measure Steroid Hormone Profiles in Gender Dysphoria (GD) Patients in a Multi-Center setting**
« Florian Josef Schneider, Joachim Wistuba, Michael Zitzmann, Paul-Martin Holterhus, Alexandra Kulle, Stefan Schlatt, and Nina Neuhaus

**Cross-sex hormonal treatment in transgender persons does not 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

**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
### Tackling visibility: towards developing a protocol for voice and communication therapy for trans men from a pilot study undertaken between Charing Cross Gender Identity Clinic, London and the Laurels Clinic of Gender and Sexual Medicine, Exeter, UK.

Matthew Mills and Gillie Stoneham

### Transmasculine people’s voice function based on data from 50 participants

Ulrika Nygren, David Azul, and Maria Sodersten

### The effect of hormonal treatment on the voice perception in transgender people

Charlotte Bultynck, Charlotte Pas, Guy T’Sjoen, Marjan Cosyns, and Justine Defreyne

### OS-1F Surgery I

**Exhibition Hall**

Chair: Miroslav Djordjevic & Mark-Bram Bouman

**Keynote:** Uterus transplantation, current status and future perspectives

Milan Milenkovic

Reversal phalloplasty after regretful male to female gender reassignment surgery

Marta Bizic, Borko Stojanovic, Vladimir Kojovic, Dragana Duisin, and Miroslav Djordjevic

Surgical Techniques in Facial Feminization Surgery

Luis Capitán, Daniel Simon, Carlos Bailón, Raúl Jiménez-Bellinga, Javier Gutiérrez-Santamaría, and Fermín Capitán-Cañadas

Facial feminization surgery of forehead: combined augmentation and bone reduction technique

Kamol Pansritum

### Coffee Break

Foyer

### 16:00

#### 16:30

**PS-1** E-Posters Endocrinology & Voice & Social Sciences

**Baltic**

Chair: Matthew Mills

Information provision for young people referred to the Northern (UK) Endocrine Transgender Clinic

Paul Carruthers and Jenny Walker

Type 1 diabetes mellitus is more prevalent than expected in transgender patients; a local observation

Justine Defreyne, Dirk De Bacquer, Samyah Shadid, Bruno Lapauw, and Guy T’Sjoen

"The right to self-determination" – Exploring the experience of different stakeholders with models of trans health care in Andalusia

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

The Story of the Romanian Trans Community Told by an Young and Inexperinced Endocrinologist

Adriana Gogoi

What the 2016 Free Event on Practicing Actual Transgender Health and Human Rights (FREE PATHH) has taught us

Frederique Retsema and Jochem Verdonk

Propsychotic effects of the treatment with androgens in gender dysphoric women: A case presentation

Justyna Holka-Pokorska and Adam Woźniak

General evaluation of sensitivity courses for police officers on specific needs of transsexual persons in Serbia

Dusica Markovic Zigic, Ljiljana Kicanovic, and Aleksandra Gavrilovic

### 16:30

**PS-2** E-Posters Mental Health (1)

**Exhibition Hall**

Chair: Gemma Witcomb

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Sport and physical activity participation among young transgender adults: The facilitators and barriers
» Beth Jones, Jon Arcelus, Walter Pierre Bouman, and Emma Haycraft

Attachment patterns and complex trauma in a sample of adults diagnosed with gender dysphoria
» Guido Giovanardi, Carola Maggiora Vergano, Alexandre Fortunato, Roberto Vitelli, Anna Maria Speranza, and Vittorio Langiardi

Psychiatric comorbidities in Gender Dysphoria subjects after MtF Sex Reassignment Surgery: post surgery outcome.
» Gualerzi Anna, Claudia Schettini, Donato Munno, and Flavia Capirone

Working with Families and Relatives of LGBTs: Experience with Family Groups in Turkey
» Seven Kaptan, Koray Başar, Sahika Yuksel, and Nesrin Yetkin

Trans and non-binary assessment of Forensic patients
» Christina Richards and Sarah Murjan

The development of an evidence-based education resource for families of transgender young people in the Republic of Ireland: A PhD study
» Danika Sharek, Edward McCann, and Sylvia Huntley-Moore

Perceived Barriers to Transition in Male-Female Transgender Adolescents
» Heather Wood

16:30 PS-3 E-Posters Mental Health (2)
Mediterranean
Chair: Sahika Yuksel

The activities of the Self and Mutual Help Group for Transgender People of Transgender Counseling of Torre del Lago (Italy) from 2008 to present
» Massimo Lavaggi, Chiara Dalle Luche, and Regina Satariano

Amongst labeling and self-ascription: Doing Transgender in Identity Work and interaction.
» Lasse Peschka and David Garcia

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
» 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
» Koray Başar and Gökhan Öz

Sexual life of transgender individuals in Turkey: the effect of sex reassignment surgery
» Berna Ozata Yildizhan, Sahika Yuksel, and Eren Yildizhan

Gender dysphoria and pregnancy
» Eirini Rari, Thierry Gallarda, Sandrine Coussinoux, Sébastien Macheaux, François Chauchot, and Marie-Odile Krebs

16:30 PS-5 E-Posters Surgery (1)
Adriatic
Chair: Gennaro Selvaggi

Narrow neovaginal width in a trans person due to short interramic distance
» My Andréasson, Konstantinos Georgas, James Bellringer, and Gennaro Selvaggi

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?
» 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

Anterolateral Thigh Phalloplasty: Prefabricating urethra technique
» Kamol Pansritum
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**Aegean**
Chair: James Bellringer

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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 |
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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? |  
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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 Tillemann, Sylvie Lierman, Guy T’Sjoen, Ria Comelissen, 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 Decuyper, 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
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» 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

**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

**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

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OUR PARTNERS

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
b. 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:

1) 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;
3) 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](http://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 voluntarily 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:

- Guy T’Sjoen: President & Director of the Scientific Division
- Walter Pierre Bouman: Director of Communication
- Annelou De Vries: Director of the Interest of Children and Adolescents
- Joz Motmans: Secretary - Treasurer & Director of the Policy Division
- Timo O. Nieder: Director of Education and Clinical Training
- Mark-Bram Bouman: European Association For Gender Surgeons (the EAFGS) Liaison Member
- Griet De Cuypere: WPATH Liaison Member
- Adam Smiley/Richard Kohler: TGEU Liaison Member

**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!