MISSION

The International Network for Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Concerns and Transgender Issues in Psychology is composed of national, multinational, and international psychological associations that are cooperating to achieve the following aims:

- "To increase cross-cultural collaboration among psychological researchers and practitioners who are concerned about the mental health and well-being of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender populations;

- "To increase knowledge among psychologists and other mental health practitioners about lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender populations;

- "To apply psychological research and mental health practice guidelines that address the needs and concerns of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender populations to international health policy;

- "To increase the number of national, multinational, and international psychological associations that formally reject the mental disorder conception of homosexuality and that promote mental health practice that is affirmative of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people."

The International Network is a result of the 2001 International Meeting, Sexual Orientation and Mental Health: Toward Global Perspectives on Practice and Policy. The meeting’s final report is at: “www2.apa.org/pi/lgbc/intlmtgfinalreport.pdf”

MEMBERSHIP

American Psychological Association
Australian Psychological Society
British Psychological Society’s Psychology of Sexualities Section
Canadian Psychological Association
Conselho Federal de Psicologia (Brazil)
Colombian Society of Psychology
Nederlands Instituut van Psychologen
Association of Lesbian, Gay, & Bisexual Psychologies Europe
Psychological Society of South Africa
Psychological Society of Ireland

Psychological Associations may join the International Network by contacting the:

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Concerns Office
American Psychological Association
750 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002-4242, USA
(202) 336-6041 Telephone
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“www.apa.org/pi/lgbc/”
lgbc@apa.org

Individuals may become involved by subscribing to INET, an electronic forum. To join, send an email message to:

INET@LISTS.APA.ORG
Leave the subject line blank.
Write SUBSCRIBE [E-MAIL ADDRESS] [FIRST NAME] [LAST NAME] in the body of the message.

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
The International Network on Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Concerns and Transgender Issues in Psychology encourages submissions of abstracts for symposia, papers, interactive poster and rapid communication posters for the 30th ICP. The Network has identified the following thematic areas of particular interest:

- Bisexuality
- Culture and religion
- Discrimination / Anti-gay violence
- HIV / AIDS
- Internet / Virtual communities
- Intersex persons
- LGBT immigrants
- LGBT sexology
- Marriage / Family / Parenting
- Transgender persons

SUBMISSIONS PROCESS
If you are interested in making a presentation on a topic related to one or more of these areas, please visit www.icp2012.com and click on the tab “Abstracts” for a drop-down menu with information on the submissions process, forms, and an index of topic categories.

Topic Categories that are most relevant to the thematic areas above include Sexuality, LGBTI (40); Gender (20); and HIV/AIDS (24).

Please also notify the International Network if you submit a proposal in one or more of the thematic areas by sending an e-mail to lgbtc@apa.org so we can promote it if accepted.

All decisions regarding acceptance of proposals is up to the ICP.

COLLABORATIONS
Please notify the International Network by e-mail at lgbtc@apa.org if you have an interest in collaborating on a program that addresses one or more of these thematic areas and need assistance identifying colleagues to work with on a proposal.

Plans are already well underway for ground-breaking programming including:

- A Pre-Conference Workshop “African Psychological Guidelines for LGBTI-Affirmative Practice: Global and Local Experience” with additional programming during the Congress to build upon the session.
- Symposia including “Diversity within Diversity: The Black L, the G, the B, the T and the I” and “Parenting in its Many Shapes and Sizes: From hetero to trans and queer to lesbian…”

OPEN MEETING: An opportunity for current and potential members to meet with the International Network Executive Committee during the ICP. The time and place will be announced on the APA Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Concerns Office website: