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1. INTRODUCTION

We are looking forward to seeing you in Amsterdam! This document aims to give an oversight of the pre conferences and side events that RCF grantees are organizing before and during the International AIDS Conference 2018.

Please note that this is a preliminary oversight of grantee events – and any dates/times/venues of events should be checked with the latest version of the [AIDS2018 program site](#).

If you have events to add please email secretariat@robertcarrfund.org

2. PRE CONFERENCES

2.1.1. Saturday, July 21st

Who: IRGT
What: Building bridges to safety
Where: RAI Amsterdam, Poster exhibition area, Hall 1
When: 09:00

In 2016 IRGT hosted the first ever trans specific pre-conference at AIDS 2016 which was an incredibly successful collaborative experience. Working in partnership with global and regional transgender organizations the IRGT TRANS Action pre-conference aims to undertake the following main activities:

- 1) Provide a one-day networking platform for up to 300 transgender activists, researchers, public health officials, multi-lateral organizations, transgender people living with HIV, and global donors to exchange most recent research, best practices, and advocacy strategies that would advance the goal of universal access to health and safety;
- 2) Organize two main plenary sessions during the pre-conference, one focused on trans people living with HIV the second one on resiliency within the community and mainstreaming transgender people sexual health; and
- 3) Facilitate affinity and strategizing opportunities among transgender people across regions, age and sero-status.

2.1.2. Sunday, July 22nd

Who: REDLACTRANS
What: Global Dialogue on HIV, Rights and the Law : A Pre-Conference at the International AIDS Conference 2018
Where: RAI Amsterdam
When: 08:30

A Global Dialogue on HIV, Rights and the law

Who: PATA & PACF
What: Clinic Community Collaboration (C³) Collaborathon. Collaborating to drive extraordinary and sustainable results.
Where: RAI Amsterdam, G102-103
When: 08:30

This interactive day-long workshop will bring together approximately 300 clinics and community groups to learn about the Clinic-CBO Collaboration (C3) methodology and build it into their work planning back home. The workshop will connect the global and the local and discuss how innovative approaches can be taken to fulfilling prevention of mother-to-child transmission and paediatric HIV service delivery and scale up in a shrinking resource pool. The workshop will be the start of a week-long process that will run through the conference around C3 and will challenge groups to leave Amsterdam focused on those aspects of their collaborations that can lead to improved programme performance. The intention is for participating groups to initiate and develop funding proposals around the C3 methodology to be submitted to PACF for consideration.

Who: MSMGF
What: OUT WITH IT!
Where: KIT Royal Tropical Institute (see 5. Locations)
When: 09:00

Youth-led and centered around supporting new community-led solutions for the sexual health and rights of young gay and bisexual men.

Read more here: <http://msmgf.org/international-aids-pre-conference/#ixzz5GSPB3Ejx>

A day-long interactive youth-led event centered around generating and refining innovative, community-led solutions for the sexual health and rights of young gay and bisexual men globally.

Who: ITPC
What: Community Activist Summit
Where: Amsterdam RAI
When: 10:00

In 2003, over 120 treatment activists from 67 countries gathered in Cape Town, South Africa for the first International Treatment Preparedness Summit. It was a time when HIV treatment access was poor, and activists were still grappling with the brunt of the epidemic. Fifteen years later, how far have we come? What is the state of our activism today? And, how do we set a radical agenda for what is left to do?

These are the questions we as activists will try to answer. Using tech-powered panel discussions and interactive dialogue sessions, activists will strategize and develop concrete next steps to effectively advocate for the right to health for ALL. Make sure your voice is heard!

The Summit is intended for PLHIV and key population activists, civil society advocates, program implementers, government officials, and all stakeholders interested in and seeking to influence a global, community-led HIV advocacy agenda.

Who: MSMGF
What: Satellite Symposium; Re-Defining the Global Health Response to Gay and Bisexual Men: New Perspectives and Opportunities
Where: RAI Amsterdam

For more information, please see AIDS2018 online programme.

Who: MSMGF
What: Workshop on how communities can ensure inclusion of HIV in the Voluntary National Review Process to hold governments accountable
Where:TBD

For more information, please see AIDS2018 online programme.

Who: MSMGF
What: Workshop on improving the collective response to acute violence against members of key populations
Where:TBD

Strengthening regional and international stakeholders' actions during crisis situations through concrete guidance and principles for engagement

Who: M-Coalition
What: MSMGF Pre conference
Where: KIT Royal Tropic Institute Conference Center (see 4. Locations for more information)

3. AIDS 2018 – MAIN CONFERENCE

3.1.1. Monday, July 23rd

Who: HIV Justice Worldwide
What: Beyond Blame 2018; Challenging HIV Criminalisation
Where: De Balie
When: 08:00

Beyond Blame 2018: Challenging HIV Criminalisation is a one-day meeting for activists, advocates, lawyers, scientists, healthcare professionals, researchers, lawyers, policymakers, and anyone else interested in working to end HIV criminalisation.

The meeting is being convened by the Steering Committee of HIV JUSTICE WORLDWIDE – comprising AIDS Action Europe, AIDS-Free World, AIDS and Rights Alliance for Southern Africa (ARASA), Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network, Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNP+), HIV Justice Network, International Community of Women Living with HIV (ICW), Southern Africa Litigation Centre (SALC), Sero and Positive Women's Network – USA (PWN-USA).

The programme will include interactive panels, keynote presentations and parallel workshops focusing on critical issues in the fight against HIV criminalisation around the world.

This event builds on the success of previous meetings held prior to International AIDS Conferences, notably Beyond Blame 2014 in Melbourne, Australia and Beyond Blame 2016 in Durban, South Africa.

For more information and to register, please visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/beyond-blame-2018-online-applicationregistration-45640621327>

Who: MSMGF
What: Networking zone: OUT WITH IT
Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village
When: 09:00

Creating a high-traffic 'hub' where young gay men and other MSM can meet to forge new partnerships, and coalitions.

The objectives are to:

- Provide a program-rich space dedicated to the health and human rights of young gay and bisexual men and other men who have sex with men (MSM).
- Focus global attention on promising developments as well as urgent business in our collective work against HIV.
- Elevate global awareness about the disproportionate impact HIV still has on MSM worldwide, and effective community-led service delivery and prevention approaches tailored to the needs of MSM to reduce new HIV infections.
- Re-energize, better inform, and interconnect activist networks of MSM working to promote sexual health and human rights.

- Strengthen MSMGF partnerships with other networks working at the global and regional levels as well as groups led by or working with key affected populations.

Activities include:

- Formal and informal workshop sessions to debate key issues and innovations affecting diverse MSM communities.
- Panels and poster sessions dealing with MSM policy, programming and community engagement.
- Ongoing open space for continued dialogue about workshops and presentations.
- Shared activities with other networking zones of key affected populations and allies to cultivate coalitions and mutually boost visibility.
- Platform for catalyzing social media activities.
- Displays highlighting materials used by organizations and regional networks targeting MSM.
- Art exhibit.
- Socials activities for MSM and allies to reinvigorate one another's efforts as well as relax.

Who: IRGT

What: WORK IT! Bridging the Trans Divide (Networking Zone)

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village

When: 09:00

Inclusion of transgender people in the response to the global HIV epidemic.

The IRGT, A Global Network of Trans Women and HIV as lead of the collaborative with the Social, Health and Empowerment Feminist Collective of Transgender Women of Africa (SHE), RED Trans Peru, SAATHI, Positively Trans, the Global Action for Trans* Equality (GATE), Clinic Q, Trans Latina Coalition, and The Center of Excellence for Transgender Health, will coordinate a Trans Networking Zone throughout the week of the conference for trans people and their allies.

The collaborative aims to provide a space where trans activists, trans people living with HIV, and allies explore challenges and best practices in achieving universal access to HIV-related prevention, care, treatment and support services for trans and gender minority communities worldwide. Our primary objective is to offer a bridge across the (Trans) gender divide and provide a collaborative space to network, share and exchange ideas, experiences, knowledge and strategies to strengthen our communities global, regional and local HIV responses.

Who: ITPC & Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

What: It's time to test and treat differently: Comparing and contrasting differentiated service delivery along the HIV care cascade from countries and communities

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11B

When: 08:00 – 10:00

Despite commitments to the 90-90-90 targets, many people remain unaware of their HIV status and in many settings ART coverage remains low. In particular, key populations face structural and other barriers when accessing HIV testing and treatment services which results in suboptimal coverage of these services. This session will take participants on a journey across the HIV care cascade highlighting key perspectives and programme examples. A series of short presentations will be preceded by an opening panel discussion and conclude with a dialogue among the chairs and stakeholders on their thoughts for the way forward.

Who: GNP+

What: Time to focus: Doing things better and differently for key populations

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 10

When: 10:15 – 12:15

Outside East and southern Africa HIV epidemics continue to be concentrated among key populations (MSM, people in prisons, PWID, SW, transgender people). Despite significant numbers of new infections being reported in in populations where the overall incidence is low there is increasing evidence that these infections are occurring among people who have been previously part of KPs or have direct links to KP as current or former partners. KP epidemics are not static. In many countries epidemics are evolving to affect MSM in greater numbers, yet the response in many places has been inadequate. HIV and viral hepatitis prevalence remains significant among PWUD and patterns of drug use are changing. This satellite aims to re-focus efforts to provide effective HIV service for KP and to highlight particularly the potential of new community based prevention, testing and ART delivery approaches to reach more KP and provide a more effective HIV response.

Who: NSWP

What: Impact of punitive laws, policies and practices on sex workers' vulnerability to HIV and respect of their human rights

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11B

When: 14:45 – 16:45

International health organisations have come to a consensus that removing punitive laws, policies and practices are crucial to sex workers' health and well-being and would greatly contribute to reducing their vulnerability to HIV. While the terms used to describe legislative frameworks may be nuanced (legalisation, decriminalisation, and other repressive laws, policies and practices not specific to sex work such as drug policies, migration laws, etc.), the calls for reform are underpinned by shared objectives and principles that respect, protect and recognise sex workers' human and labour rights. Six sex worker speakers from different regions will present various legal frameworks and policies and will provide recommendations on how legal reform could respect, protect and fulfil the rights of sex workers, thus reducing their vulnerability to HIV.

Who: ICAP & ITPC

What: Differentiated service delivery 2018: Innovations, best practices, and lessons learned

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald room

When: 17:00 – 19:00

New global guidelines have markedly increased the number of people living with HIV (PLHIV) eligible for treatment, straining the capacity of health systems in low-resource settings. In response, differentiated service delivery (DSD) has been developed as a way to improve the quality and efficiency of HIV programs. Moving away from a "one size fits all" model, DSD tailors HIV services for diverse groups of PLHIV while maintaining the principles of the public health approach.

ICAP at Columbia University convenes the 10-country HIV Coverage, Quality and Impact Network (CQUIN), which fosters south-to-south exchange and joint learning directed at scaling up high quality DSD. Building on the lessons learned from CQUIN, this satellite will convene Ministries of Health, civil society, academics, and other implementers to discuss cutting edge issues related to DSD scale-up.

Who: IDPC & EHRA

What: “Support. Don’t Punish”: Campaigning together, resisting together.

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, TBA

When: 17:30 – 18:30

For the last 6 years, the Support. Don’t Punish campaign has mobilised thousands of people in 200+ cities in 95+ countries under one common purpose: bringing the war on drugs to an end. This workshop will showcase the campaign’s successes in the EECA region, reflecting on pending challenges and brainstorming ways to tackle them collectively.

Who: M-Coalition

What: MENA Networking Zone; Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village

All CSOs from the MENA region are invited to show their work and network with Donors, Civil Society and other stakeholders.

The MENA Networking Zone also wants to raise important key barriers to access to services and for treatment including the Stigma and Discrimination highly intoxicating in the MENA Region.

The Zone will also facilitate sessions, broadcast live daily and expand on the achievements of the MENA organizations in the fight to end AIDS.

3.1.2. Tuesday, July 24th

Who: ICASO & ITPC

What: The role of civil society and donors in times of crisis: Venezuela

Where: RAI Amsterdam, E105-108

When: 07:00 – 08:00

This is an opportunity to reflect on the role of civil society, donors and multilateral agencies vis-à-vis a country in crisis that is non-eligible for external financing. Until recently, few options existed for the international community to act in these circumstances. In May 2018, the Board of the Global Fund made a historic decision to outline a new policy for its role in non-eligible countries in crisis. This new policy may include countries like Venezuela as initial investment priorities. Yet, civil society, donors and other stakeholders are ill-prepared to act on this opportunity.

This event to start discussing new paradigms and narratives of international cooperation in the face of humanitarian crises. It will harness new policy spaces to invest in countries in crisis, which would ordinarily be deemed ineligible for support. Proactive planning and readiness on behalf of stakeholders is critical, given the urgency in countries like Venezuela, among others.

Who: ICW

What: Women LEAD Community Participatory Research based advocacy towards policy and programs that impact women and girls

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room

When: 07:00 – 08:30

Lived experiences and story narratives of people living with HIV, particularly women Living with HIV , have been pivotal in processes that design, plan, implement, monitor, review, and reform Policy, Law and programs that have impacted the lives of women and girls in the HIV and health response. Innovative approaches for packaging this information has always evolved as targeted Advocacy efforts are designed by women led organizations as well as stakeholders who work to address issues focused on women and girls access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support.

A presentation on the role of Women led community participatory research for strengthening evidence for desired change showing up-to-date impact will be combined with presentations by women leaders from Regional and country ICW networks and partners to share experiences, growth process and key lessons for supporting stronger community participatory approaches by donors and stakeholders

Who: IDPC & APCOM

What: “Support. Don’t Punish”: Local Actions, Global Voices

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, Booth 509

When: 10:00-11:30

For the last 6 years, thousands of people from over 200 cities in 90 countries have mobilised under the Support. Don’t Punish banner to campaign for harm reduction and drug policy reform. Join us for a workshop in which we will unpick the campaign’s continued success, learn from local partners’ experiences and explore opportunities for engagement.

Who: PATA & others

What: Peer Power: What makes peer-to-peer support in promoting health and wellbeing of

adolescents and young people living with HIV?

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, Booth 501

When: 11:00-12:00

Who: ICW

What: The defence does not rest: Resisting the criminalization of HIV

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room

When: 11:00-12:30

Who: EHRA & Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network

What: Handle with care: How to document human rights violations among the most vulnerable groups of key populations

Where: RAI Amsterdam, G102 - 103

When: 11:00-12:30

This workshop aims to provide space to discuss organizing the research of human rights violations faced by the most vulnerable subgroups of key populations and to exchange best practice in connecting with the victims and accessing ethical documentation and data interpretation, in addition to protecting victims from pressure on behalf of the state.

Who: ICW, METOCA, Red & Hivos

What: We are women with voices, not an HIV diagnosis! Sharing experiences on processes of individual and collective empowerment driven by women's lives, bodies and creativity

Where: GV Session Room 1

When: 11:00 – 12:30

Traditional ways of working with women with HIV focus on their diagnosis rather than addressing their specific needs and guaranteeing their rights. Methodologies based on providing information are not enough for them to build both leadership and capacities for advocating on their rights. At the end of the workshop, participants will be aware of the value of empowerment methodologies based on gender and a human rights approach. They will learn about partnership potential among feminists, women with HIV and artistic movements. The workshop will be itself a space to boost networking and joint action.

Who: ITPC, GNP+ and others

What: U=U: Crafting supportive public health policy from the scientific evidence to support community action

Where: RAI Amsterdam, E102

When: 11:00 – 12:30

Following a brief update on the proceedings from the U=U pre-conference, the participants will be guided through the basics of policy creation and explore how the U=U science and advocacy can be harnessed to improve public health policy. Working in groups with facilitators from the U=U team, participants will be guided to create strategies that they can apply to their community activities, workplaces, and health service systems.

Who: HRI

What: Harm reduction: I can't get no satisfaction

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11A

When: 11:00 – 12:30

Who: IDPC, ANPUD & others

What: The War on Drugs: A human rights calamity

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, Booth 509

When: 11:15-12:15

Despite recent progress in aligning drug policies with human rights and development agendas, the war on drugs continues to characterise drug control in all corners of the world. This strategy has manifested itself with inconceivable brutality in the Philippines, where over 20,000 people have been killed as part of a government drive with the stated purpose of eradicating the illicit market. This panel will shed light on the structural and recent origins of these gross human rights violations, reflect on their impact on the HIV response and showcase resistance strategies at the national, regional and international levels.

Who: ITPC and others

What: A free trade agreement and the Human Immunodeficiency Virus walk into a bar...

Where: RAI Amsterdam, G102-103

When: 14:30-17:00

This workshop will introduce participants to free trade agreements being negotiated in nearly every developing country that may adversely impact access to affordable generic medicines. The workshop will highlight key features of FTAs that are of public health concern and showcase advocacy by PLHIV networks and other health groups to such negotiations.

Who: EHRA

What: It is OUR money!: Effective community advocacy to insure domestic resources for sustainable HIV services

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room

When: 14:30-17:00

The workshop is designed based on budget advocacy experience in EECA countries and utilizes knowledge from health financing and public financing fields to help community and civil society leaders to learn how to do budget advocacy work and formulate successful budget advocacy strategies. Participants will get practical skills to (i) formulate realistic budget advocacy aim and target and to formulate and build data collection approaches to convince government to fund services for key populations, and (ii) to monitor and ensure proper implementation of public commitments.

Who: ARASA, ITPC & others

What: HUMAN RIGHTS LITERACY. Accountability in the time of disruption: The power of treatment and rights literacy of community defenders.

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village booth 520

When: 14:30-16:00

Advocacy4Change happens when capacities are strengthened. At a regional and national level, results have included strengthening monitoring and accountability of governments, advocacy and influence, and facilitating consensus building on key human rights challenges facing women, young people, sexual and

gender minorities, and other marginalised groups in the HIV response. Join us to hear about how change was sparked by capacity-strengthening interventions — including legal and treatment literacy in advancing community mobilization efforts.

Who: ARASA

What: ARASA REPORT LAUNCH. HIV, TB, SRH and Human Rights in Southern and East Africa 2018

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village booth 520

When: 16:30-18:00

This launch of the “HIV, TB, SRH and Human Rights in Southern and East Africa 2018 ARASA Report” covers the laws, policies and practices influencing access to human-rights affirming health services in the region. It identifies regional legal and policy development focusing on the SDSs, Universal Health Coverage and SRH advances, which affect national-level policy changes.

Who: HIV Justice & Others

What: Realizing rights in the HIV response

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 12

When: 16:30 – 18:00

This session will examine specific human rights concerns affecting the HIV response. It will take a broad look at the use of the law and legal strategies for protecting and promoting human rights in the HIV response – including ensuring equitable access to health services – through various means, such as litigation and law reform advocacy by and for communities affected by HIV and by human rights violations.

Finally, it will examine how to integrate core human rights standards into HIV testing, prevention and treatment services as part of fast-tracking the HIV response. It will explore how to implement and evaluate key human rights programmes, including measures to reduce stigma and discrimination, and to educate lawmakers, police and health service providers about human rights.

Who: PATA & Mzantsi Wakho

What: Poster presentation: Adherence misfits: Divergent perspectives on ART- defaulting among health care workers and HIV-positive adolescents

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Poster exhibition area, Hall 1

Who: PATA

What: Poster presentation: They are not responsible enough to use protection: The blind spot of stigma and discrimination towards young people in health care settings

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Poster exhibition area, Hall 1

3.1.3. Wednesday, July 25th

Who: MSMGF

What: Re-Defining the Global Health Response to Gay and Bisexual Men: New Perspectives and Opportunities

Where: RAI Amsterdam, poster exhibition area, G104 - 105

When: 07:00 – 08:30

While the global HIV response has made significant strides in recent years, gay and bisexual men still shoulder a disproportionately high incidence and prevalence worldwide. What is urgently needed is a more comprehensive response to HIV, one that strategically stitches together bio-medical, behavioural, community, and structural interventions. In addition, a reimagined and reinvigorated global HIV response would strategically consider the sexual health, human rights and development needs of men who have sex with men. This satellite assembles experts in LGBT rights, sexual health, and development for a critical discussion about the current state of the global HIV response for men who have sex with men. Drawing from their own experience, research, and examples from the field, panellists will reimagine the HIV response, a response that centers community-based, sexual health and rights programs led by gay and bisexual men and that are unapologetic in addressing sex and sexuality in its strategies.

Who: REDLACTRANS

What: Poster presentation

Where: RAI Amsterdam, poster exhibition area, Hall 1

When: 12:30

Health care attention of Trans population in Latin America and the Caribbean

Who: PATA

What: Clinic Community Collaboration (C³) Workshop. Effective community engagement: how communities and health facilities can jointly improve eMTCT and paediatric HIV service delivery. PATA, PACF and Aidsfonds

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald room

When: 12:30

To reach all children for HIV prevention and care, collaboration between communities and healthcare facilities is essential. But, how is this done and how can it be improved? This interactive workshop, jointly run by Positive Action for Children's Fund (PACF), Paediatric-Adolescent-Treatment Africa (PATA), Aidsfonds and the Coalition for Children Affected by AIDS, will bring together healthcare workers, policy makers and community groups to learn and share practical experiences on how to effectively work together to improve eMTCT and paediatric HIV service delivery.

Who: APCOM & Alex Garner

What: From online to IRL: Social media, sex apps and surfing to enhance cascades

Where: RAI Amsterdam, hall 11A

When: 13:00 – 14:00

Who: APCOM

What: Sex and drugs: Ongoing syndemics in the PrEP and treatment era

Where: RAI Amsterdam, G102-103

When: 13:00 – 14:00

Who: ARASA, INERELA+ & others

What: RELIGION AND HIV. Religious fundamentalism: Regression in laws and policies

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, booth 520

When: 14:30-16:00

The growing influence of religious fundamentalism continues to shape regressions in law and policies. These have had adverse effects on the HIV responses and access to sexual and reproductive health services, as well as on the full realization of human rights for women, young people, sexual and gender minorities, and other marginalised groups. This session will reflect on innovative strategies that have resulted from strong alliances between progressive religious leaders, faith institutions and civil societies aimed at reversing this tide.

Who: ARASA, HIVJustive, GNP+ & others

What: HIV CRIMINALIZATION

Uniting forces to end HIV criminalization

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, boioth 520

When: 16:30 – 18:30

With at least 278 prosecutions globally in the past two years, HIV criminalization remains a topical example of persisting discriminations against people living with HIV. But activists and their allies are fighting back. Come listen to and get inspired by HIV Justice Worldwide — a growing international movement against HIV criminalization and learn about how medical experts are mobilizing to bring science to justice.

Who: EHRA & International HIV/AIDS Alliance

What: Self-care and prevention of burnout among activists: Tools for everyday life

Where: RAI Amsterdam, GV Session Room 1

When: 16:30 – 18:30

The current era requires activists to be effective in mobilizing a global response to AIDS within the broader context of SDGs and the specific challenges of national political contexts. Challenging personal experiences, limited financial resources, competing priorities and high workload put a lot of pressure on activists. If they do not navigate these carefully, activists are at high risk of burnout.

We will discuss and share with participants a range of tools for prevention of burnout and self-care for the activists. Participants will be able to pick and choose tools that speak to their individual needs and interests.

Who: INPUD & UNODC

What: 'Nothing about us without us': Advancing human rights for key populations

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Auditorium

When: 16:30 – 18:30

The session will focus on the current struggles and challenges of key and vulnerable populations in advancing human rights and legal reform agendas. Issues to be discussed include efforts to improve the legal and human rights environment and frameworks for better and equal access to HIV prevention and treatment.

The session will cover: efforts to decriminalize and de-penalise sex workers and people who use drugs; best practices of legal reform activism on the national and international levels; new challenges and new achievements in advancing the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer people, and men who have sex with men; challenges and opportunities for transgender people in the HIV response; rights of people in prisons and other closed settings; and improving the participation of young people in activism and advocacy work.

The session will also discuss the new strategies that activist groups are applying in regions with shrinking spaces for civil society activism, such as the Eastern Europe and Central Asia region.

Who: PATA, International AIDS Alliance, AIDSfonds, Y+, AY+

What: Poster presentation: The power of peers: Multi- Country Analysis of adolescents and TYoung People Living with HIV (A/YPLIV) networks in Africa

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Poster exhibition area, Hall 1

3.1.4. Thursday, July 26th

Who: GNP+
What: HIV Stigma, Discrimination and Human Rights Violations: Global Extent, Impact & the Way Forward.
Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room
When: 07:00 – 08:30

This session explores the political, economic and sociological manifestations of HIV related stigma, discrimination and human rights violations on the global level articulated by civil society through our 2018-2022 organizational strategic planning survey, the State of People Living with HIV around the World: Back to Basics.

The session will provide attendees with:

- An up-to-date global perspective of where stigma, discrimination and human rights violations are increasing and decreasing
- An understanding of the structural and institutional drivers of these trends
- An overview of the impact, costs and consequences of HIV related stigma from the individual to societal level
- An examination of innovative ways that community concerns can be addressed via pragmatic interventions at the local, national and global levels.

Who: GNP+, Positively UK & Sørlandet sykehus HF
What: Delivering person-centred care: Sharing challenges and successes in integrating peer-delivered support within clinical settings
Where: RAI Amsterdam, E102
When: 07:00 – 08:30

Integrated, person-centred care should be a priority in the long-term management of HIV and its associated co-morbidities. Linking peer support into clinical services has the potential to deliver improved outcomes across a wide range of health and wellbeing indicators, but there are significant challenges in facilitating this integrated approach.

Using service delivery models from diverse projects across different regions, the workshop will aim to:

- Explore barriers and successful approaches to integrating peer support within clinical services;
- identify opportunities and advocacy strategies for ensuring better integration of peer support;
- and share and develop tools, levers and strategies for implementing local, regional or national service models.

Who: PATA
What: The unfinished business of pediatric HIV case finding: intensifying efforts to diagnose HIV-infected children and adolescents
Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11A
When: 07:00 – 08:30

Who: ITPC & Others
What: The Politics of PrEP
Where: RAI Amsterdam, Elicium 2

When: 11:00-12:30

The evidence is that pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) is effective. The session creates a space where people can debate the politics of PrEP, whether that is its acceptability in the AIDS movement in times where treatment coverage and access is not secured, when prevention is medicalised, investments in AIDS are shrinking, and societal and legal contexts for key populations are not improving.

Who: GNSWP & UNSW

What: Creating danger: Impact of end-demand laws and policing of sex work

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11A

When: 11:00-12:30

Who: PATA

What: Ending AIDS: Harmonising the role of adolescents and young people living with HIV (A/YPLHIV) networks in Africa

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Poster Exhibition area, Hall 1

When: 11:00-12:30

Who: GNP+ & ICW-EA

What: Knowing and resolving stigma

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11A

When: 13:00-14:00

Who: ITPC

What: Meeting the challenge: Community financing for a sustained response

Where: RAI Amsterdam, E102

When: 13:00-14:00

Who: ASWA

What: Falling off the HIV cascade: Autonomy as a determinant of ART retention among sex workers

Where: RAI Amsterdam, E105-108

When: 13:00-14:00

Who: EHRA & Trans Equality Uganda

What: Community system strengthening = Sustainable HIV response

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 10

When: 14:30 – 16:00

Who: IPPI & LSHTM

What: Confronting violence against women

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Elicium 1

When: 14:30 – 16:00

Who: ITPC and others

What: Young people at the centre: Community mobilization for youth-friendly HIV services

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room

When: 14:30 – 17:00

In line with the conference theme “Breaking Barriers Building Bridges”, this workshop addresses many of the barriers for young people living with HIV (YPLHIV) to achieve good health outcomes and present the bridges that can be built to overcome these barriers.

The session will focus on the importance of putting youth at the centre in the design, implementation and delivery of HIV services. This workshop focuses on community-driven demand creation as a promising tool to improve the provision of healthcare services. The workshop will put youth at the centre.

Who: ARASA and others

What: LEGAL STRATEGIES. What’s law got to do with it? Legal strategies to uphold human rights of people living with, at risk of or affected by HIV or AIDS

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, booth 520

When: 16:30-18:00

Immense progress has been made in the fight against HIV but this progress isn’t universal. In 2016, the MENA region and Eastern Europe saw a rise in AIDS-related deaths. Four in 5 children living with HIV still can’t get treatment in Western and Central Africa. Lack of funding, criminalization of key populations, religious fundamentalism, and armed conflict deprive people living with HIV of their right to health. This session will highlight such geographical disparities and tireless efforts of activists to secure care for all.

Who: Harm Reduction International

What: 10 by 20 campaign: Strategies for tracking and rebalancing investment in drug law enforcement and harm reduction.

Where: RAI Amsterdam, G10-103

When: 16:30-18:00

Facilitators will train participants to use tools to track harm reduction and law enforcement investments and will share experiences from Thailand and Indonesia in using tracking tools.

The session will have discussions on which data collected can inform local and global advocacy efforts. Lastly, this workshop will identify key 10 by 20 campaign stakeholders in participant countries and develop evidence-based advocacy strategies for redirection of funding.

Who: ARASA, ITPC & others

What: NO REGION LEFT BEHIND. Disparities in the HIV response

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, booth 520

When: 16:30-18:00

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Who: PATA

What: Launch: PATA Situational Analysis & CSWG Policy Briefs

Where: Okura Hotel

When: 17:30-20:00

Reality check in paediatric and adolescent HIV: The here and now of service delivery on the frontline" & "Approaching 2020: Scaling up key interventions for children and adolescents living with HIV. This is an invite only event.

Who: APCOM and others

What: Anal sex from top to bottom: Beliefs, behaviors and policies for better health

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Elicium 1

When: 18:30 – 20:30

Anal sex is enjoyed world over by all genders and sexualities, but stigma, cultural taboos and criminalization prevent people from getting the information and care they need to maintain anal health and hygiene. Changing the discourse about anal sex from shame to celebration is a vital step to improving anal health.

To that end, this session will address the many facets of anal health, including basic anal and rectal anatomy, the prevention and treatment of anal conditions (generally and related to the use of PrEP and TasP), HIV prevention candidates in the research pipeline and, of course, pleasure. Session speakers will also address customs and laws related to sexuality and anal sex that can facilitate or impede access to care.

Importantly, attendees will be engaged in a discussion on how best to shed stigma, scientific misinformation and punishing policies to ultimately improve anal health in communities most vulnerable to HIV.

3.1.5. Friday, July 27th

Who: SOMOSGAY, ENPUD, GNP+

What: Hidden in plain sight: Meeting the needs of young people from key populations

Where: RAI Amsterdam, E102

When: 11:00-12:30

Young people (teenagers in particular) are more mobile than adults and are in a sensitive psychological development stage. At the same time, they are strongly dependent on adults for education and access to services, among others. There is a deficit of reliable and quality data on young people's behavioural practices and drivers of vulnerability, especially regarding young people who use drugs, young people who engage in sex work, young LGBT and young people living with HIV (in all their diversity).

Many HIV and tuberculosis (TB) programmes ignore youth specificity, and their approach is sometimes based on fear. In many countries, education on sexual health, drug use, and HIV prevention is not available for the majority of young people for various reasons, including legal restrictions, social marginalization of key populations, and social factors, such as poverty, homophobia, transphobia, and ageism.

Who: PATA

What: Healthy societies for healthy children: Empowering the future generation in a world with HIV needs more than ARVs

Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 12

When: 11:00-12:30

4. CALENDAR

Time	Saturday, July 21st	Sunday, July 22nd
08:30		Who: REDLACTRANS What: Global Dialogue on HIV, Rights and the Law : A Pre-Conference at the International AIDS Conference 2018 Where: RAI Amsterdam
08:30		Who: PATA & PACF What: C 3 Collaborathon. Collaborating to drive extraordinary and sustainable results. Where: RAI Amsterdam, G102-103
09:00	Who: IRGT What: Building bridges to safety Where: RAI Amsterdam, Poster exhibition area, Hall 1	Who: MSMGF What: OUT WITH IT! Where: KIT Royal Tropical Institute (see 5. Locations)
10:00		Who: ITPC What: Community Activist Summit Where: Amsterdam RAI
		Who: MSMGF What: Satellite Symposium; Re-Defining the Global Health Response to Gay and Bisexual Men: New Perspectives and Opportunities Where: RAI Amsterdam
		Who: MSMGF What: Workshop on how communities can ensure inclusion of HIV in the Voluntary National Review Process to hold governments accountable Where:TBD
		Who: MSMGF What: Workshop on improving the collective response to acute violence against members of key populations Where:TBD
		Who: M-Coalition What: MSMGF Pre conference Where: KIT Royal Tropic Institute Conference Center (see 5. Locations for more information)
07:00-18:00		Who: UNDP What: Global dialogue: HIV, rights and the law in the era of the 2030 agenda for sustainable development. Where: RAI, hall 11A



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07:00-08:30		Who: ICASO & ITPC What: The role of civil society and donors in times of crisis: Venezuela Where: RAI Amsterdam, E105-108	Who: MSMGF What: Re-Defining the Global Health Response to Gay and Bisexual Men: New Perspectives and Opportunities Where: RAI Amsterdam, poster exhibition area, G104 - 105	Who: GNP+ What: HIV Stigma, Discrimination and Human Rights Violations: Global Extent, Impact & the Way Forward. Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room	
				Who: PATA What: The unfinished business of pediatric HIV case finding: intensifying efforts to diagnose HIV-infected children and adolescents Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11A	
		Who: ICW What: Women LEAD Community Participatory Research based advocacy towards policy and programs that impact women and girls Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room		Who: GNP+, Positively UK & Sørlandet sykehus HF What: Delivering person-centred care: Sharing challenges and successes in integrating peer-delivered support within clinical settings Where: RAI Amsterdam, E102	
08:00 – 10:00	Who: ITPC & Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation What: It's time to test and treat differently: Comparing and contrasting differentiated service delivery along the HIV care cascade from countries and communities Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11B				
	Who: HIV Justice Worldwide What: Beyond Blame 2018; Challenging HIV Criminalisation Where: De Balie				
09:00	Who: MSMGF What: Networking zone: OUT WITH IT Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village				

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	Who: IRGT What: WORK IT! Bridging the Trans Divide (Networking Zone) Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village				
10:15 - 12:15	Who: GNP+ What: Time to focus: Doing things better and differently for key populations Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 10	Who: IDPC & APCOM What: "Support. Don't Punish": Local Actions, Global Voices Where: Global Village, Booth 509 When: 10:00 – 11:30			
11:00 – 12:30		Who: ICW What: The defence does not rest: Resisting the criminalization of HIV Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room		Who: ITPC & Others What: The Politics of PrEP Where: RAI Amsterdam, Elicium 2	Who: SOMOSGAY, ENPUD, GNP+ What: Hidden in plain sight: Meeting the needs of young people from key populations Where: RAI Amsterdam, E102
		Who: EHRA & Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network What: Handle with care: How to document human rights violations among the most vulnerable groups of key populations Where: RAI Amsterdam, G102 - 103		Who: GNSWP & UNSW What: Creating danger: Impact of end-demand laws and policing of sex work Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11A	Who: PATA What: Healthy societies for healthy children: Empowering the future generation in a world with HIV needs more than ARVs Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 12
		Who: ICW, METOCA, Red & Hivos What: We are women with voices, not an HIV diagnosis! Sharing experiences on processes of individual and collective empowerment driven by women's lives, bodies and creativity Where: GV Session Room 1			
		Who: PATA & others What: Peer Power: What makes peer-to-peer support in promoting health and wellbeing of adolescents and young people living with HIV? Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, Booth 501			

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		Who: IDPC, ANPUD & Others What: The War on Drugs: A human rights calamity Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, Booth 509 When: 11:15-12:15			
		Who: HRI What: Harm reduction: I can't get no satisfaction Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11A			
12:30-14:00			Who: REDLACTRANS What: Poster presentation Where: RAI Amsterdam, poster exhibition area, Hall 1	Who: PATA What: Ending AIDS: Harmonising the role of adolescents and young people living with HIV (A/YPLHIV) networks in Africa Where: RAI Amsterdam, Poster Exhibition area, Hall 1	
			Who: PATA What: C3 Workshop. How communities and health facilities can jointly improve eMTCT and paediatric HIV service delivery. Where: RAI, Emerald Room		
13:00-14:00			Who: APCOM & Alex Garner What: From online to IRL: Social media, sex apps and surfing to enhance cascades Where: RAI Amsterdam, hall 11A	Who: ITPC What: Meeting the challenge: Community financing for a sustained response Where: RAI Amsterdam, E102 When: 13:00-14:00	
			Who: APCOM What: Sex and drugs: Ongoing syndemics in the PrEP and treatment era Where: RAI Amsterdam, G102-103	Who: GNP+ & ICW-EA What: Knowing and resolving stigma Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11A	
				Who: ASWA What: Falling off the HIV cascade: Autonomy as a determinant of ART retention among sex workers Where: RAI Amsterdam, E105-108	
		Who: EHRA		Who: IPPI & LSHTM	

		<p>What: It is OUR money!: Effective community advocacy to insure domestic resources for sustainable HIV services Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room</p>		<p>What: Confronting violence against women Where: RAI Amsterdam, Elicium 1 Until 16:00</p>	
				<p>Who: ITPC and others What: Young people at the centre: Community mobilization for youth-friendly HIV services Where: RAI Amsterdam, Emerald Room</p>	
14:30-16:00	<p>Who: NSWP What: Impact of punitive laws, policies and practices on sex workers' vulnerability to HIV and respect of their human rights Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 11B When: 14:45 – 16:45</p>	<p>Who: ARASA, ITPC & others What: HUMAN RIGHTS LITERACY. Accountability in the time of disruption: The power of treatment and rights literacy of community defenders. Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village booth 520 Until 17:00</p>	<p>Who: ARASA, INERELA+ & others What: RELIGION AND HIV. Religious fundamentalism: Regression in laws and policies Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, booth 520</p>	<p>Who: EHRA & Trans Equality Uganda What: Community system strengthening = Sustainable HIV response Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 10</p>	
		<p>Who: ITPC and others What: A free trade agreement and the Human Immunodeficiency Virus walk into a bar... Where: RAI Amsterdam, G102-103</p>		<p>Who: IPPI & LSHTM What: Confronting violence against women Where: RAI Amsterdam, Elicium 1</p>	
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16:30-18:00		Who: HIV Justice & Others What: Realizing rights in the HIV response Where: RAI Amsterdam, Hall 12 Who: ARASA What: ARASA REPORT LAUNCH. HIV, TB, SRH and Human Rights in Southern and East Africa 2018 Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village booth 520	Who: EHRA & International HIV/AIDS Alliance What: Self-care and prevention of burnout among activists: Tools for everyday life Where: RAI Amsterdam, GV Session Room 1	Who: ARASA, ITPC & others What: NO REGION LEFT BEHIND. Disparities in the HIV response Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village, booth 520	
17:00-19:00	Who :ICAP & ITPC What: Differentiated service delivery 2018: Innovations, best practices, and lessons learned Where: Emerald room			Who: PATA What: Launch: PATA Situational Analysis & CSWG Policy Briefs Where: Okura Hotel When: 17:30-20:00	
	Who: IDPC & EHRA What: WORKSHOP “Support. Don’t Punish”: Campaigning together, resisting together Where: Global Village When: 17:30 – 18:30				
18:30-20:30				Who: APCOM and others What: Anal sex from top to bottom: Beliefs, behaviors and policies for better health Where: RAI Amsterdam, Elicium 1	
Whole day	Who: M-Coalition What: MENA Networking Zone; Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges Where: RAI Amsterdam, Global Village	Who: PATA What: Poster presentation: They are not responsible enough to use protection: The blind spot of stigma and discrimination towards young people in health care settings Where: RAI Amsterdam, Poster exhibition area, Hall 1	Who: PATA, International AIDS Alliance, AIDSfonds, Y+, AY+ What: Poster presentation: The power of peers: Multi- Country Analysis of adolescents and TYoung People Living with HIV (A/YPLIV) networks in Africa Where:Poster exhibition area, Hall 1		
		Who: PATA & Mzantsi Wakho What: Adherence misfits: Divergent perspectives on ART- defaulting among health care workers and HIV-positive adolescents Where:Poster exhibition area, Hall 1			

5. LOCATIONS

5.1.1. KIT Royal Tropic Institute Conference Center

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5.1.2. De Balie

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5.1.3. Okura Hotel

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