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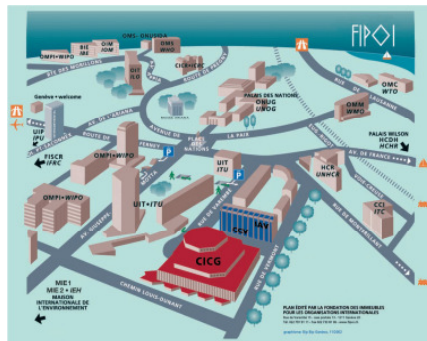


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## Thursday 18 April 2013 LGBT issues programme

Diversity and gender equality issues lie at the heart of sustainable development. For the first time, the programme of the European conference on sustainable cities & towns will give a large space to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues in local governance.

The Gender Equality and Diversity team of the City of Geneva invites you to participate to session and visit included in the main programme of the conference (“In” programme) as well as side events (“Off” programme) that will take place on Thursday 18 April.

## THURSDAY 18 APRIL “IN” PROGRAMME

11:30am-1:00pm Break-out session at the CICG

### Diversity and gender equality: a sustainable investment for local governance (B15)

Despite the fact they are often neglected, diversity and gender equality issues lie at the heart of sustainable development. For contemporary cities, reinforcing social cohesion, ensuring equal opportunities and guaranteeing the respect of human rights are increasing challenges. The session will show how gender equality, cultural diversity and non-discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity are essential components of local governance oriented towards sustainable development. It will highlight the fact that policy efforts in these areas have tangible benefits both at the local level and for society as a whole.

*Speakers:*

**Mohamed Ouriaghli**, Alderman for Housing, Equal Opportunities and ICT, City of Brussels, Belgium.

**Juul van Hoof**, Project manager “Local LGBT policy / Rainbow Cities”, Netherlands Centre for Social Development (MOVISIE), The Netherlands.

**André Castella**, Director of the Office for Integration of Foreigners, Republic and State of Geneva, Switzerland.

**Agnès Földhazi**, Scientific collaborator – CEFOC, University of Applied Sciences: Social Work, HES-SO, Geneva, Switzerland.

3:45-6:45pm Workshop on site

### Targeting most vulnerable populations for sustainable public health: Checkpoint-Geneva and VCT Migrants (C9)

In order to maintain the general health level of the population, a specific attention has to be paid to subpopulation with high risk. The visitors will have the opportunity to discover two experimental structures that are part of the community-based health strategy in Geneva: Checkpoint-Geneva, a medical centre for men having sex with men, and the Health programme for migrants of the Geneva University Hospitals.

*Included to the conference registration, departure from the CICG*

### Information, registration and full conference programme

Geneva 2013 – [www.sustainablegeneva2013.org](http://www.sustainablegeneva2013.org)

## THURSDAY 18 APRIL “OFF” PROGRAMME

1:15-2:15pm Side event at the CCV (Room B)

### European Rainbow Cities Network: assessment and perspectives

The European Rainbow Cities Network was launched in 2010 in Barcelona to connect cities developing programmes to fight against homophobia and transphobia as well as to improve LGBT people integration. Three years after, how did this project evolve? Given the fact that some southern countries are now more engaged in LGBT rights recognition than many European countries, should this network be extended worldwide, taking the form of an international coalition?

*In presence of **Juul van Hoof**, Rainbow Cities Network, Netherlands Centre for Social Development (MOVISIE), The Netherlands.*

*Free access, registration requested*

From 8:00pm

### Musical evening at Dialogai

Join us for an informal moment at one of the oldest gay organization in Switzerland and share diner with people from LGBT communities of the Geneva area.

*Free access, diner registration recommended*

### **Dialogai**,

*Rue de la Navigation 11-13,*

*Les Pâquis, Geneva*

*[www.dialogai.org](http://www.dialogai.org)*

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### Information and registration

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