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**ACADEMIC CONFERENCE  
'EXPANDING INTERSEX STUDIES'**

**31 January – 1 February 2024**

Université libre de Bruxelles  
Institut de Sociologie  
Avenue Jeanne, 44  
1050 Bruxelles

**STAKEHOLDER EVENT  
'THE FUTURE OF INTERSEX RIGHTS'**

**1 February 2024, 6 pm**

City Hall of Brussels  
Grand-Place

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31 JANUARY 2024

From 12 pm : Welcome Desk

1 pm - 3 pm : Opening & INIA Workshop Room Jean Baugniet (ground floor)

### Introductory Speeches

Marius Gilbert (Vice-Rector for Research, Université libre de Bruxelles)  
Surya Monro (Coordinator of the INIA project, University of Huddersfield & Loughborough University)

### Main Results of the INIA Project

Martin Gramc (Universität Zürich)  
Tanya Ni Mhuirthile (Dublin City University)  
Audrey Aegerter (Université libre de Bruxelles)

Discussants:

Morgan Carpenter (Intersex Human Rights Australia/University of Sydney)  
Mauro Cabral Grinspan (Université libre de Bruxelles)

3 pm - 3.30 pm : Coffee & Tea Main Hall (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

3.30 pm - 5.30 pm : PAPER SESSION 1

### Theory

Room Stein Rokkan (12<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Martin Gramc (Universität Zürich)

**Shaping bodies and shaping narratives: epistemic injustice and the responses of medicine and bioethics to intersex human rights demands**  
Morgan Carpenter (University of Sydney)

**Intersex people transcendence from enforced invisibility**  
Rogena Sterling (University of Waikato)

**Human rights, reflexivity and epistemic justice in research: Contributions from intersex studies**  
Ametz Suesch Schwend (Escuela Andaluza de Salud Pública/Universidad de Granada)

**Queer interruption of sex chromosomes: "Wilding" the outmoded tropes "XX" and "XY"**  
Margriet van Heesch (Universiteit van Amsterdam)

### Families

Room Henri Janne (15<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Kate Wood (University of Huddersfield)

**The myth of intersex infertility: Exploring legal frameworks for access to parenthood in Quebec and France**  
Marie Dry (McGill University & Université Paris Nanterre)

**Do parents just want "normal" children? Parental contestation of surgical "solutions" to intersex traits**  
Gijs Hablous (Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen)

**Parents of children with intersex variations/ variations of sex characteristics (VSCs): perspectives on educational and support needs in the healthcare setting**

Kayla Horowitz (McGill University), Kimberly Zayhowski (Boston University Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine), Nicole Palmour (McGill University), Darius Haghghat (Boston University Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine) & Yann Joly (McGill University)

**"I can't validate the registration if I don't know if your newborn is a girl or a boy": Parents of intersex children confronted with gender categorization**  
Gaëlle Larrieu (Sciences Po Paris)

**"Incidental findings"? Prenatal testing for sex chromosome variations and intersex politics in Belgium**  
Shana Riethof (Université de Liège)

### Experiences & Good Practices

Room Éliane Vogel-Polsky (15<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Marisela Montenegro Martinez (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

**A life course perspective on the sexual development of young intersex people**  
Mir Abe Marinus (Nederlandse organisatie voor seksediversiteit) & Marianne Cense (Rutgers)

**Achieving social justice for intersex people through law. Insights from the Equality Law Clinic**  
Charly Derave & Isabelle Rorive (Université libre de Bruxelles)

**Social movement spillover: How small ripples can create big waves**  
Michael Kreuzer & Katie Garrett

**The first francophone bibliography on intersex studies: Presentation, methodology and ethics**  
Pee Rozada (RéFRI), Audrey Aegerter (Université libre de Bruxelles) & Michal Raz (Aix-Marseille Université)

### Cultural Representations

Room Arthur Doucy (12<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Macarena Murugarren (Dublin City University)

**Trying not to know is an active process of denial and forgetting, don't forget to forget**  
Sharan Bala (Gerrit Rietveld Academie)

**Sports TV broadcasting: a media apparatus at the heart of the emerging controversy regarding the sporting performance of intersex athlete Caster Semenya**  
Natacha Lapeyroux (Université libre de Bruxelles)

**From erasure to agency: The power and significance of self-created intersex representations**  
Sveta Solntseva (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

**Introducing the intersex research corpus: Pathologized innate sex characteristics in biomedical research discourse 1950-2020**  
Brian Walter King

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From 9.30 am : Coffee & Tea Main Hall (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

10 am - 12 pm : PAPER SESSION 2

### Law & Human Rights

Room Henri Janne (15<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Tanya Ni Mhuirthile (Dublin City University)

**Working towards convergence of the clinical management of intersex conditions and human rights: reflections on a joint research project**

Pieter Cannoot (Universiteit Gent)

**Treatment-related decision-making by intersex adolescents and adults. First results from a qualitative ethical study**

Elio Clemenz (Universität Göttingen)

**Intersex human rights and their lived experiences in Ireland and Malta: Preliminary findings**

Somya Dixit (Dublin City University)

**Intersex and Transitional Justice**

Benjamin Moron-Puech (Université Lumière Lyon 2)

**Legal perspective on intersex issues: sex assigned at birth and sex/gender registration in Europe**

Martina Molinari (Università di Genova)

### Health & Wellbeing

Room Éliane Vogel-Polsky (15<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Addy Berry (University of Huddersfield)

**Investigation into the medical management of intersex infants: Towards meaningful law reform in the UK**

Eleanor Drover (Durham University)

**Emotional experiences of U.S. intersex activists**

Cynthia Mulit



**Conducting a survey on the health of intersex people**

Loé Petit (Université Paris 8), Michal Raz (Aix-Marseille Université) & Gaëlle Larrieu (Sciences Po Paris)

### Ethics & Methods

Room Stein Rokkan (12<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Amets Suess Schwend (Escuela Andaluza de Salud Pública/Universidad de Granada)

**Laboratory of hope: An analysis of the experiences of a meeting/workshop with intersex children, their mothers and non-surgically intervened intersex adults**

Eva Alcántara, Laura Inter, Mar Is & Frida Flores (Brújula Intersexual)

**Intersex in the USA's best-selling undergraduate psychology textbooks: Uneven critique in an ongoing scientific and ethical crisis**

Peter Hegarty (Open University) & Sam Vaughan (ICON/Interconnected)

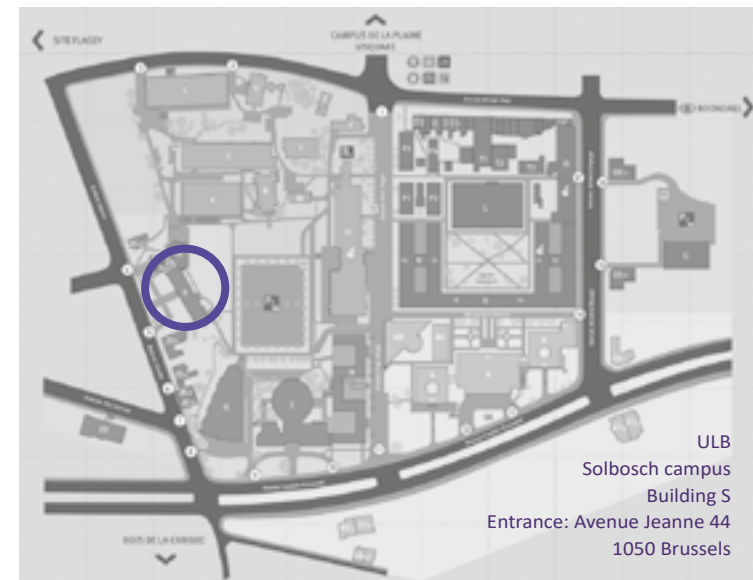
**Research ethics in intersex studies: Exploring ethical principles for a human rights-based research practice**

Yessica Mestre (Escuela Andaluza de Salud Pública/Universidad de Granada)

**"No research about us without us": Presentation of the intersex-led study on hate speech against intersex people in Greece**

Vassiliki Vouvaki, Eleni Pateraki, Irene Simeonidou & Nikoletta Pikramenou (Intersex Greece)

12 pm - 2 pm : Lunch Main Hall (1<sup>st</sup> floor)



## 2 pm - 4 pm : PAPER SESSION 3

### Law & Policy

Room Henri Janne (15<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Somya Dixit (Dublin City University)

***A gold standard in intersex rights? Evaluating law reform in Malta and erasures in Ireland and the UK***  
Fae Garland (University of Manchester) & Mitchell Travis (University of Leeds)

***Intersex equality, diversity and inclusion and social policy: Silences, absences, and erasures in Ireland and the UK***  
Surya Monro (University of Huddersfield & Loughborough University)  
Sean Saifa Wall (University of Huddersfield) & Kate Wood (University of Huddersfield)

***The impact of anti-trans legislation in the U.S. on intersex rights***  
Sharon Preves (Hamline University)

***The inculcation of awareness of intersex in education in Ireland and Sweden***  
Macarena Murugarren (Dublin City University)

### Intersex & the Nation

Room Éliane Vogel-Polsky (15<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Surya Monro (University of Huddersfield & Loughborough University)

***The third gender and their State, Taiwan***  
Yi-Chien Chen (Shih Hsin University)

***Navigating decision-making in a "culturally conservative" context: Intersex surgeries in Italy through medical and parental perspectives***  
Daniela Crocetti & Marta Prandelli (Dublin City University)

***Negotiating identity and health condition by Czech individuals with variations in sex characteristics***  
Zdeněk Sloboda (Palacky University & Charles University)

***Measuring laypeople's notions of intersex in the Netherlands and Flanders***  
Jenneke van Ditzhuijzen (Universiteit Utrecht & Universiteit Amsterdam)  
& Joz Motmans (Universiteit Gent)



### Activism

Room Arthur Doucy (12<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: David Paternotte (Université libre de Bruxelles)

***Identity negotiation: Intersex, DSD, and navigating terminological risks***  
Audrey Aegerter (Université libre de Bruxelles)

***History and future of the intersex movement in Turkey***  
Yasemin Bahar (Inter Solidarity Turkey)

***Intersex movement in India: Struggles and successes***  
Neeraja Sajan

***Seen but not heard: The early intersex movements in the US and Germany***  
Angelika von Wahl (Lafayette College)

### Bodily Diversity

Room Stein Rokkan (12<sup>th</sup> floor)  
Chair: Joan Pujol Tarrés (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

***Health and function in intersex embodiment: exploring the connections between intersexuality and disability***  
Mireia Garcés De Marcilla Musté (University of Exeter)

***New eugenics: A crip intersex approach to preimplantation genetic diagnosis***  
Celeste E. Orr (University of New Brunswick)

***Experiences related to the body, intimacy and sexuality in intersex individuals***  
Sofia Pavanello Decaro, Annalisa Anzani & Antonio Prunas  
(Università degli Studi de Milano-Bicocca)

***Protecting intersex children's conditions for cultivating and exercising sexual autonomy***  
Kate Goldie Townsend (University of Exeter)

***Extending the medical gaze: Intersex children, photography and privacy law in Australia***  
Aileen Kennedy (University of Technology Sydney)



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## Stakeholder Event 'The Future of Intersex Rights'

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### Welcoming words

**Marie-Colline Leroy** (Secretary of State for Gender Equality, Equal Opportunities and Diversity, Belgium)

**Silvan Agius** (Cabinet Expert, Cabinet of the Commissioner for Equality, European Commission)

**Graeme Reid** (Independent Expert on protection from violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, United Nations)

**Lydia Mutyebele Ngoi** (Aldwerwoman for Equality, City of Brussels)

### High-level panel 'The Future of Intersex Rights in Europe'

Chair: **David Paternotte** (Université libre de Bruxelles)

**Morgan Carpenter** (Executive Director, Intersex Human Rights Australia; Research Affiliate, University of Sydney)

**Dan Ghattas** (Executive Director, OII Europe)

**Evgenia Giakoumopoulou** (Head of the SOGI Unit, Council of Europe)

**Surya Monro** (Coordinator of the INIA project, University of Huddersfield & Loughborough University)

**Michael Van Gelderen** (Human Rights Officer, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights)

### Reception

