



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to participate to the International Conference “**LGBTQI Empowering Realities**”. The Conference will be held at the Department of Psychology, in Turin, Italy, on February 11 – 12, 2015.

The Conference is the final step of the Project “*Empowering LGT young people against violence: a P2P model*”.

We know that LGBTQI people youth not conforming to stereotypical gender expressions, are subjected to bullying and discrimination, facing in some cases violent physical attacks. Frequently, these victims can experience a strong disempowerment that leads to social isolation, psychological stress, reduction of self-esteem, self-efficacy and coping strategies. Our Project aimed to empower- using a P2P approach - to protect the LGBTQI people and their peers against violence, to create a “safer space” working with various service providers and to increase awareness about transphobic and homophobic attitudes and to highlight the issue of minority stress.

The International Conferences aims to be a **meeting point** where participants have the opportunity to make contact with the latest knowledge and share ideas to develop new projects and intervention strategies. This aim will be reached in a way that reflects a multidisciplinary approach with several experts from different scientific areas present..

The International Conference “LGBTQI Empowering Realities”, will try to work further towards this direction, bringing participants closer to the progress on scientific research concerning sexual identity, homophobic and transphobic bullying, minority stress, gender stereotypes and discriminations, empowerment, resilience and strategies of resistance.

We invite you to submit an abstract for an oral presentation. When you are ready to submit your abstract or your paper or your registration, please visit <http://peerlgt.eu> and select the dedicated link to begin the process. The participation to the Conference is without any fees and is co funded by the European Commission

We are sure you will find your participation rewarding and we look forward to seeing you there and to welcoming you to Turin!

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