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When experienced gender does not match assigned gender;  
Research, Clinical and Human Rights Perspectives

# The Amsterdam Gender Identity Meeting

Symposium and workshops on the  
occasion of the retirement of  
Prof. dr. Peggy T. Cohen-Kettenis

6th and 7th of June 2013

VU University Medical Center Amsterdam, The Netherlands



## **A pioneer in the field of gender dysphoria and differences of sex development**

After several decades of invaluable work in the field of gender dysphoria and differences of sex development Prof. dr. Peggy T. Cohen-Kettenis will retire. She started her work in the eighties of the last century with the first Dutch study evaluating the treatment of adult individuals with gender dysphoria. After that she initiated the first clinic for children and adolescents with gender dysphoria and differences of sex development in Europe at the Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry of the University Medical Center Utrecht. This clinic later moved to the VU University Medical Center and became part of the larger Center of Expertise on Gender Dysphoria, of which she became director. Together with professor Henriette Delemarre-van de Waal, pediatric endocrinologist, she developed a new treatment approach for adolescents with gender dysphoria.

Peggy Cohen-Kettenis participated in the development of the consensus document of the ESPE/LWPES (the European and American Societies for Paediatric Endocrinology) for diagnosis and treatment of Disorders of Sex Development, the Standards of Care for the Health of Transsexual, Transgender, and Gender Nonconforming People of the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH), the Clinical Practice Guideline on the Endocrine Treatment of Transsexuals of the Endocrine Society, and she was the chair of the American Psychiatric Association's DSM-5 sub-workgroup on Gender Identity Disorders. She is a member of the ICD-11 working group on the classification of Sexual Disorders and Sexual Health. She published numerous papers on gender dysphoria and received the WPATH's lifetime scientific achievement award in 2011.

### **Workshops, Thursday 6th of June**

#### **Psychology**

Themes:

- State of the art in the treatment of children, adolescents and adults
- The role of mental health professionals in transgender care

#### **Endocrinology**

Themes:

- Facts and fiction
- Risks and comorbidity

#### **Plastic surgery**

- Specialized live surgery
- Surgeons only meeting: Complications, tips and tricks

## Symposium program, Friday 7th of June

09.00 – 10.00 Registration open

Moderator: *Dr. W.S. Simonides*

10.00 – 10.35 **Disorders of Sex Development -  
hormonal and genetic pathways**  
*Prof. dr. Paul-Martin Holterhus*

10.35 – 11.05 **Future of Human Rights of  
transgender individuals**  
*Mr. Boris Dittrich*

11.05 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 12.00 **Gender dysphoria and the brain**  
*Prof. dr. Dick Swaab*

12.00 – 12.30 **Ethics in the treatment of transsexuals**  
*Prof. dr. Evert van Leeuwen*

12.40 – 13.40 Lunch

Moderator: *Prof. dr. Ina van Berckelaer-Onnes*

13.40 – 14.10 **Treatment of adolescents with gender  
dysphoria, future perspectives**  
*Dr. Bernadette Wren*

14.10 – 14.40 **Endocrinological treatment of transsexual  
adults – future challenges**  
*Prof. dr. Louis Gooren*

14.40 – 15.10 **Recent developments in gender  
confirming surgery**  
*Prof. dr. Stan Monstrey*

15.10 – 15.30 Break

THIS PART IS OPEN FOR THE PUBLIC; no entrance fee

15.30 – 16.15 **Farewell address**  
*Prof. dr. Peggy Cohen-Kettenis*

16.15 Reception

## **Lecturers:**

### **Prof. dr. Paul Martin-Holterhus**

Professor/paediatric endocrinologist, Department of Paediatrics  
University Hospital Schleswig-Holstein, Kiel, Germany.

### **Mr. Boris Dittrich**

Advocacy Director LGBT program Human Rights Watch, New  
York, United States of America.

### **Prof. dr. Dick Swaab**

Emeritus professor of Neurobiology University of Amsterdam,  
Former director Netherlands Institute for Neuroscience,  
Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

### **Prof. dr. Evert van Leeuwen**

Professor of Medical Ethics, IQ Scientific Institute for Quality of  
Healthcare University Medical Center St. Radboud, Nijmegen,  
The Netherlands.

### **Dr. Bernadette Wren**

Consultant Clinical Psychologist, Head of Psychology, The  
Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust, London, United  
Kingdom.

### **Prof. dr. Louis Gooren**

Emeritus professor of Transsexuality VU University Medical  
Center, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

### **Prof. dr. Stan Monstrey**

Professor of Plastic Surgery, University Hospital Ghent, Belgium.

## **Moderators:**

### **Dr. Dop Simonides**

Associate professor Department of Physiology VU University  
Medical Center, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

### **Prof. dr. Ina van Berckelaer-Onnes**

Emeritus professor Remedial Education Department of  
Educational Sciences, Leiden University, Leiden, The Netherlands.

### **Registration fee:**

Symposium only € 100,-

#### Workshop only

Psychology € 150,-

Endocrinology € 350,-

Plastic Surgery € 350,-

#### Symposium + Workshop, package deal

Psychology € 200,-

Endocrinology € 400,-

Plastic Surgery € 400,-

### **Registration:**

You can register online at  
[www.vumc.nl/Amsterdam-GenderIdentity-Meeting](http://www.vumc.nl/Amsterdam-GenderIdentity-Meeting)

### **Organisation and information:**

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### **Accreditation**

Participants can collect a certificate of attendance upon departure.  
If you prefer to receive credits, please state your BIG number on the online registration form. (for Dutch participants only)

### **How to reach the VU University Medical Center**

<http://www.vumc.com/sitewide-header/directions-contact/477331/>

### **Cancellation policy**

If you have registered but are unable to attend our symposium or workshop, please inform us in time by telephone or by sending an email to PAOG Course and Congress Organisation.

Please note that there will be no refund of registration fee after May 6th, 2013. We will reimburse 70% of the registration fee upon written cancellation before May 6th, 2013. After that date no refund will be made.