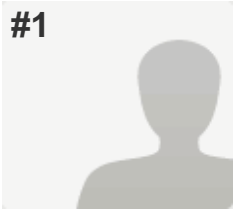


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**Q1: Organisation Details**

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**Q3: We hereby apply to host IGLYO's Annual Members Conference in:** 2016 or 2017

**Q4: Please tell us about your motivation to host the next IGLYO Annual Members Conference.**

Gender Liberation and We Are are well placed to host IGLYO's Annual Members Conference in 2016. As a nation in southern Europe undergoing tremendous legislative, social, and cultural transformation, Malta places groundbreaking focus on issues of intersex and transgender rights. During the pre-GA conference we are eager to emphasise an intersectional, norm-critical approach especially on themes of relevance to our pan-regional context. Namely, migration and its effects on LGBTIQ individuals and communities, and the growing discourse around religion and the LGBTIQ experience. Maltese academics, practitioners, activists and other stakeholders have a valuable contribution to make to the conference, and by extension the international community, that will be best highlighted and shared through Malta hosting the next AMC.

Gender Liberation and We Are are both queer led youth organisations with a growing community of members. Hosting this conference could help inspire young persons in Malta to become more active in activism, both locally and internationally.

While Malta has hosted LGBT conferences and meetings before (Intersex Meeting 2013, ILGA-EUROPE Conference 2009 - hosted or supported by MGRM), the country has never hosted an LGBTQ youth meeting of this size. Hosting the conference can only add to the history that ties the Maltese LGBTQI movement to IGLYO, which over the past 12 years has had 3 Maltese board members, 1 Maltese FCC member, and other volunteers who thanks to IGLYO's conferences have built their capacity to work within our local context.

The IGLYO AMC in Malta will only strengthen the bonds between, and inspire a growing and diverse group of, Maltese activists and their international counterparts.

**Q5: Please tell us about your organisation's experience of hosting large events.**

Gender Liberation team members Pyt Farrugia and George Douglas Saliba, both through Gender Liberation and work with the President's Foundation for the Wellbeing of Society, have been involved in both planning, facilitating and hosting:

- > Presentation of the LGBTIQ Wellbeing Report 2015, officially presented to Randy Berry (Special Envoy for the Human Rights of LGBTI Persons)
- > Malta National Conference on Children's Wellbeing, Bullying: The Child's Perspective (including international expert participation)
- > The HeForShe Malta Campaign launch, in collaboration with UN Women
- > Gender and Reproductive Rights lecture series, in collaboration between Gender Liberation, Drachma NGO, and the University of Malta.

We Are - has board members and core volunteers/ alumni who also have extensive experience in hosting events. Gaby Gauci, we are alumni and core volunteer, has a diploma in event management and works in the tourism industry in Malta. Gaby has also organised trainings for We Are.

Iggy Fenech, We Are board member (2014-2016) helped organise the European Law Student Associations conference in 2013.

Luisa Tolu, We Are alumni, We Are core volunteer, past IGLYO FCC, TaskForce member and youth rep for MGRM at IGLYO's GA, has experience in writing funding applications, budget monitoring and organisation of small training events in Malta for We Are.

Mina Tolu, We Are alumni, core volunteer and IGLYO board member 2014-2015, knows what it is like to be on the inside, and what IGLYO's requirements are in the hosting of these events. She also has experience in coordinating events, and writing funding applications.

**Q6: Please tell us about your experience of fundraising for projects and events.**

Gender Liberation, as a young NGO, has limited experience fundraising, however this shall be offset by our close collaboration with We Are and other experienced stakeholders. Gender Liberation is presently involved in fundraising activities through HSBC Call Centres in Malta.

We Are, has moderate experience in fundraising for projects and events, having secured small funds (500 - 2000 eu) for a number of projects over the past years from the Voice Foundation Malta, Agenzija Zghazagh and the US Embassy in Malta.

**Q7: Please list all potential funding applications/grants/other sources of income you have identified to co-fund the Annual Members Conference with estimated amounts for each. Host organisations are expected to raise around €8.000 - €12.000.**

Fund 1	President's Fund for NGOs, 2500-3000 eu
Fund 2	Maltese Government - Minsitry for Social Dialogue, 5000 eu
Fund 3	Allied Rainbow Communities (Arc) Malta, 500 eu
Fund 4	Voices Foundation, 500 eu, US Embassy in Malta, 1000 eu
Fund 5	Agenzija ZghaZagh (National Youth Agency), 1000 eu

**Q8: Please tell us what staff/volunteer resources you have available to assist with the planning and running of the Annual Members Conference.**

Our team involves persons who have experience organising big events, including Iggy Fenech (We Are), persons with experience of IGLYO (Mina Tolu, Luisa Tolu), and persons involved in conference management through national NGOs (e.g. The President's Foundation for the Wellbeing of Society) who are core team members of Gender Liberation (Pyt Farrugia, George Douglas Saliba). Gender Liberation and We Are also have access to motivated and trained practitioners and university students working in a voluntary capacity, as well as experienced international LGBTQI activists, such as Ruth Baldacchino and Gabi Calleja.

**Q9: Please tell us about any other information which you feel would support your application.**

The involvement of the President's Foundation for the Wellbeing of Society would provide access to the use of the national palaces in Malta (particularly Verdala Castle, a location in rural Malta) as a possible conference/workshop venue. While We Are's standing as a University organisation at the University of Malta, can also provide access to campus facilities, the historic Valletta campus, and the Gozo campus.

We can also rely on the assistance of MGRM - Malta LGBTI Rights Movement, an established and highly active group which organised the ILGA Europe Annual Conference in 2009 in Malta.

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