

# **Training Event 3: Barcelona (online)**

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# Aims of the training event 3

INIA training objectives are:

- TO1: Train a cohort of experts in the area of intersex and develop original sector-specific and intersectoral competencies.
- TO2: Develop researcher capacities in research methods with intersex people and their families and with stakeholders.
- TO3: Establish a collaborative network highly skilled researchers and national/international stakeholders.

As established in the Grant Agreement, and regarding the structure of the training, INIA provides, among others, experience in practical training and formal scientific training and capacity building. ESRs are encouraged to gain experience in teaching and lecturing at universities, and to participate in departmental committees and events, to maximize their employability. To deepen this structural objective, and as previous training events have already offered theoretical, methodological and ethical perspectives to ESRs, this third event promotes collaborative work between ESRs and supervisors and encourages ESRs to take an active role in the formation activities. For this reason, and for those interested, the training sessions will be jointly organized and delivered between the ESR and the supervisor(s). If requested, some training sessions will be disseminated as to have a wider audience (internal / open sessions). Finally, there is a final session where ESRs shortly highlight their research advances.

## **Sessions**

## September 10th

### CT: The Sociology of the Body (UOH, Surya Monro, Internal)

This session will contain a 30 minute lecture outlining some key aspects of the sociology of the body including insights drawn from interactionism, poststructuralism, critical intersex studies, and critical disability studies. We will then discuss issues around embodiment for 30 minutes, drawing on our own research and related knowledge.

### CT: Activism and social movements (ULB, moderated by David Paternotte and Audrey Aegerter, Internal)

This session provides a context for discussing the conceptual and political implications of two articles from these publications. The articles will be provided beforehand.

- Brown, Phil, Stephen Zavestoski, Sabrina McCormick, Brian Mayer, Rachel Morello-Frosch, i Rebecca Gasior Altman. 2004. «Embodied Health Movements: New Approaches to Social Health». & Movements in Sociology of Health Illness 26 https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-9566.2004.00378.x.
- Goodwin, Jeff, i James M. Jasper, ed. 2015. The social movements reader: cases and concepts. Third edition. Chichester, West Sussex, UK; Malden, MA: Wiley/Blackwell.

## CT: Intersex and the Law (DCU, Tanya Ni Mhuirthile, Internal)

This hour long session will consider some of the legal issues arising in intersex studies. It will touch on: (a) why lawsuits have been largely unsuccessful; (b) what are the possibilities inherent in human rights law to prompt change; (c) how the law might more explicitly protect the interests of people with intersex variations and the benefits of draft legislation and strategic litigation. This will be an interactive session where we can respond to questions as they arise - we will give 20 minutes to each topic.

## September 17th

## SKT: Gender equalities training (UOH, Surya Monro, Internal)

This 1 hour session will consist of a short presentation providing some insights about gender, race, unconscious bias and related issues. The session will then explore what an intersex-inclusive gender equalities training might look like via an open discussion.

SKT: Discursive representations: analysing intersex rights in Spain [Culture and the Media] (UAB, Lucas Platero, Svetlana Solntseva, Marisela Montenegro, Open)

In this session we aim, in the first place, to explain the theoretical and methodological framework to analyse how public problems are represented. Afterwards, we map different constructions of intersex rights, problematizing some of the assumptions embedded in political debates nowadays in Spain. Analysing the main discourses by the stakeholders involved in intersex rights debates, we have found several major discourse representations: gender binary is natural; Intersex is part of the body diversity; and Intersex is linked to trans rights and self-determination, among others.

SKT: Intersex and Variations in Sex Characteristics: New Ethical Recommendations for New Approaches? [Medicine and healthcare] (KZE, Dr. med. Jürg Streuli and Eva De Clercg, Internal)

Even after the (in)famous "Consensus Statement on Management of Intersex Disorders" of 2006, the clinical management and the underlying ethical decision-making in intersex or variations of sex characteristics continues to be a complex and contested issue. During this session we want to reflect on the ethical value of doubt and uncertainty among healthcare professionals who care for intersex persons and their families. The aim is to help unite the various stakeholders (e.g. activists, healthcare professionals, parents, etc.) and to respect different interests and perspectives. The "shared optimum approach", a combination of best interests and shared decision-making, will be presented as a new method to strike a balance between the importance of raising doubts and the need of developing ethical recommendations to guide future medical decisions.

## September 24th

SKT: Intersex activism and advocacy (OII Europe, Dan Ghattas, Internal)

Workshop advances in research (ESRs, Internal – Supervisory board)

Free of each ESRs of about 7/10 minutes. Each ESR gives a short presentation in a free format to highlight some of the key elements of the research. The supervisory board is invited to attend this session.

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# Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

Session	Time	Session
1	10:00 - 11:00	CT: The Sociology of the Body (UOH)
2	11:30 - 12:30	CT: Activism and social movements (ULB)
3	15:00 - 16:00	CT: Intersex and the Law (DCU)
	16:30 - 17:15	Debriefing

# Friday, September 17th

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4	10:00 - 11:00	SKT: Discursive representations: analysing intersex rights in Spain (UAB)
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	16:30 - 17:15	Debriefing

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7	10:00 - 11:00	SKT: Intersex activism and advocacy (OII Europe)
8	11:30 - 12:30	Workshop, advances in research. (ESRs)
	15:00 - 16:00	Debriefing