

**Iranti-org becomes an official member of the
World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH)**

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Iranti-org's membership to the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) was approved on 07 May 2015 – an important milestone for our regional and global work around transgender health.

WPATH is an international multidisciplinary professional association whose mission is to promote evidence based care, education, research, advocacy, public policy and respect in transgender health.

Gender Dynamix(GDX) and Support Initiative for People with Atypical Sex Development (SIPD) were both previously members of WPATH in 2010 and 2011. Jamison Green – the President elect of WPATH attended GDX's pre-conference on transgender health, and in 2011 attended the first African trans health, research and advocacy conference hosted by GDX. In 2014 the multi-organisational trans health conference in South Africa was also attended by Sam Winter, who is on the board of WPATH.

Membership of WPATH provides us with opportunities to input into the WPATH process with our lived realities - our unique socio-cultural and linguistic contexts as Africans. Iranti-org is currently the only African advocacy organisation that is a member and we endeavour to work towards encouraging more African-based organisations to join, in order to amplify the voices of the African trans* movement pertaining to transgender health.

Iranti-org looks forward to engaging with other WPATH members, transferring the skills and knowledge gained within our partner organisations and networks, and bringing African knowledge and experience to a global platform.

Aluta Continua!