

A nighttime photograph of a street in Amsterdam, Netherlands. The scene is illuminated by warm streetlights and building lights. In the foreground, several bicycles are parked along a metal railing. In the middle ground, a canal flows under a stone bridge with arches. The background shows multi-story buildings with lit windows and more streetlights. The overall atmosphere is cozy and urban.

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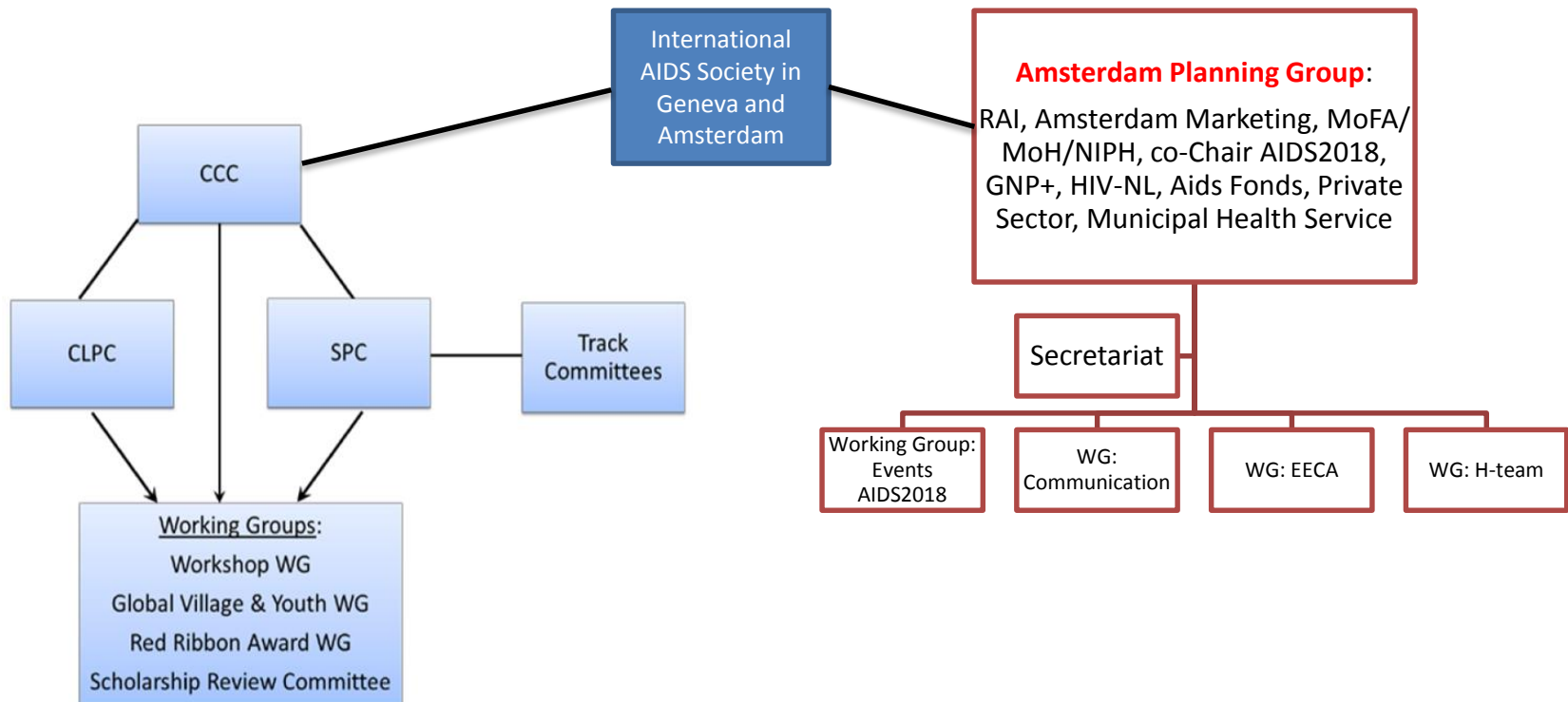
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**22ND INTERNATIONAL
AIDS CONFERENCE
(AIDS 2018)**

INTERNATIONAL CHAIR: LINDA-GAIL BEKKER, SOUTH AFRICA

LOCAL CHAIR: PETER REISS, NETHERLANDS

Organizational structure



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Co-Chairs AIDS2018

Linda Gail-Bekker (President IAS/South Africa)

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IAS Representatives

IAS President Elect (UK) - Anthon Pozniak

Regional Representative (Germany) - Jürgen Rockstroh

Director IAS Geneva (Switzerland) – Owen Ryan

International Communities

GNP+ (NL) – Rico Gustav

ICW (Canada) - Jessica Whitbread

ICASO (Canada) - Mary-Ann Torres

International Indigenous HIV/AIDS Community (New Zealand) -

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MSMGF (USA) - George Ayala

United Nations

UNAIDS (Switzerland) - Morten Ussing

UNODC (Austria) - Aldo Lale-Demoz

World Bank (USA) - David Wilson

Local Representatives

Community (HIV Association) - Alexander Pastoors

Local leadership (MoFA) - Monique Middelhoff

Science (AMC) - Mark van der Valk

Regional Representatives

Community: East Europe and Central Asia Union of People Living with HIV/ECUO (Ukraine) - Nataliya Leonchuk

Leadership: European Aids Treatment Group/EATG (Portugal) – Luis Mendao

Science: European AIDS Clinical Society (UK) - Fiona Mulcahy

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UNAIDS (Switzerland) - Chris Mallouris

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Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA)

- Aim AIDS2018: Positive impact on the AIDS response globally and in Europe and EECA in particular
- Linking, learning and dialogue on how to introduce, implement and advocate for effective aids responses



Focus on Eastern Europe and Central Asia

WHY

- While the number of new infections each year is slowly stabilizing worldwide, it is increasing by 10% or more each year in the region
- 85% of people with HIV from the EECA region live in the Russian Federation and Ukraine
- About 50% of the HIV-transmissions are among people who use drugs

Objectives

- Raising interest and building bridges
- Ensuring increased participation of EECA representatives: communities, academia, policy makers and politicians

HOW



Small Grants Funds

For community based research: 12 proposals
AIDS2018 Culture fund: several initiatives

Training and Support

Community based research, writing abstracts and presentations (face-to-face and online)

Study tours

From and to the Netherlands

Political dialogue

Visit of AIDS Ambassador to selected countries

Key dates preparatory process

- February 2017:** Nomination Community and Leadership Programme Committee (total 10) and Members Scientific Programme Committee (total 14)
- March 2017:** Nomination of the Track members by SPC (5 scientific tracks)
- June 2017:** Session and workshop submissions open by CCC
- September 2017:** Plenary proposal development and CCC sessions proposal development
- October 2017:** Meetings of SPC, CLPC followed by CCC
- November 2017:** Start submission of abstracts
- May-June 2018:** Late breaker sessions