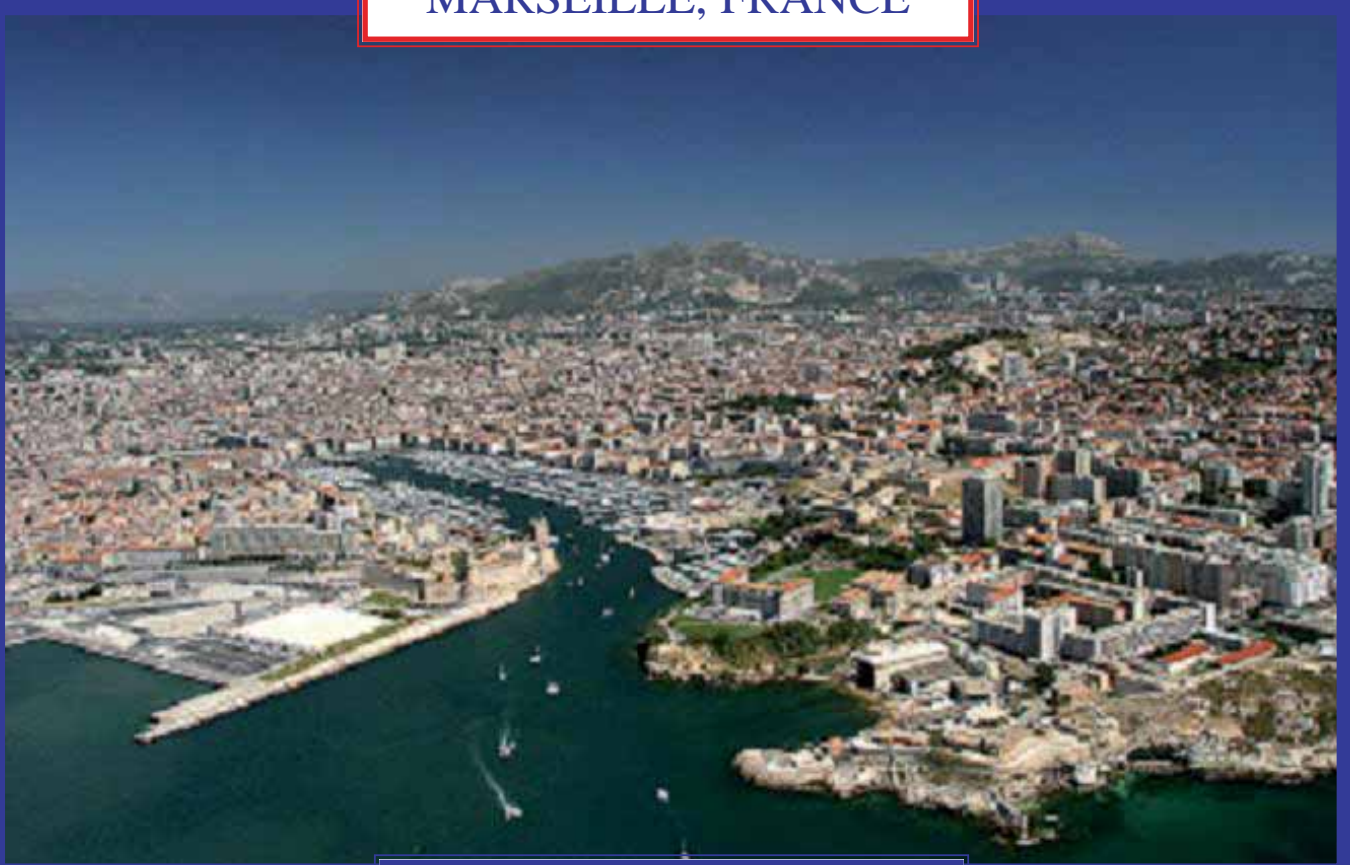


# AIDS IMPACT 2007

1st - 4th July 2007  
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# Welcome to AIDS Impact 2007



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AIDS Impact Conference is the most important international event specifically devoted to Human and Social Sciences in the field of the HIV epidemic.

The last conference, which was held in in 2005 in Cape Town, South Africa, had gathered more than 700 participants from all over the world. It was also an unique opportunity to give more space to research in social sciences dealing with the HIV epidemic in developing countries.

The first AIDS Impact conference goes back to the year 1991 when it was organised in Amsterdam, Netherlands. Ever since, AIDS Impact has taken place every other year.

1991 Amsterdam Netherlands		2001 Milan Italy
1994 Brighton UK		2003 Brighton UK
1997 Melbourne Australia		2005 Cape Town South Africa
1999 Ottawa Canada		2007 Marseille France

In 2007, the city of Marseille, France, is proud to be the host of the 8th AIDS Impact Conference. The conference will be run as a partnership between INSERM Research Unit 379 and the Federative Research Institute SHESS-AM (IFR 134- "Human, Economic & Social Sciences applied to Health in Aix-Marseille).

The focus of AIDS Impact 2007 is on the creation of a network between biological, psychological and social aspects of HIV by offering a platform where researchers, practitioners and users can engage in dialogue and debate.

In addition, in 2007, there will be a whole series of events and activities organised outside the conference by local Non Governmental Organisations, this way involving the general public as much as possible.



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# PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE



Sunday 1st July	Monday 2nd July	Tuesday 3rd July	Wednesday 4th July
	8:30 -10:30 Plenary Sessions	8:30 -10:30 Plenary Sessions	8:30 -10:30 Late Breaker Session
9:00 -16:00 Satellite Sessions	Pause	Pause	Pause
	11:00-12 :00 Parallel Sessions	11:00-12:00 Parallel Sessions	11:00 -13:00 Closing Plenary Session
	Pause	Pause	<b>Afternoon Programme:</b>  Satellite Sessions  Field Initiatives in Marseille in Cooperation with Local Associations
	12:30 -14:00 Poster Sessions	12:30 -14:00 Poster Sessions	
	14:00 -16:00 Parallel Sessions	14:00 -16:00 Parallel Sessions	
16:00-17:00 Pause	Pause	Pause	
17:00 - 19:00 Opening Plenary Session	16:30-18:30 Parallel Sessions	16:30 -18:30 Parallel Sessions	
Pause		18:30 - 19:30 Pause	
19:30 Opening Reception		19:30 Gala	

## OPENING PLENARY SESSION

Among the speakers there will be representatives from local, national and international institutions. These will include UNAIDS, WHO, ANRSS and the French Ambassador in the fight against AIDS. These will provide a state of the art account of HIV/AIDS with particular reference to the psychosocial issues challenging the world.

## POSTER SESSIONS

A display of posters will provide additional information on projects, programmes and initiatives across the world.

## PLENARY SESSIONS

Plenary sessions will comprise five international speakers per session. These will provide detailed coverage of up to date research, review and policy. There are six such plenary sessions during the conference. Topics will include current therapy issues and how they relate to psychosocial care, the relationship between therapy and prevention, developing country understanding, large cohort study information particularly reports from the ANRS studies and a host of other topical issues.

## EXHIBITION

A range of profit and not for profit organisations will have stands in the exhibition centre. All enquiries should be made via the website ([aidsimpact.com](http://aidsimpact.com)).

## PARALLEL SESSIONS

On Monday and Tuesday there will be 3 parallel sessions. These will provide the opportunity for researchers, providers and community members to delve into detailed issues, report on research and practice and examine a broad range of psychosocial issues. They will take various formats with an opportunity for questions and dialogue.

## SOCIAL PROGRAMME

AIDS Impact believes that informal networking, which occurs in the corridors, is as important, at times, as dialogue within the sessions. Thus there will be ample opportunity to network, debate and enjoy Marseille. There is an opening reception as well as a Gala dinner.



## MARSEILLE: VISITOR INFORMATION



**Visa:** You will find useful information on how to apply for your visa on the website <http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/venir/visas/>. Please contact the conference committee in France if you need an official invitation for a Visa application.

**Time:** Local time in July is UTC/GMT +2 hours.

**Climate:** In July, average temperature is 17° to 29°C (63° to 84°F).

**Electricity:** Electrical current is 220 volts, 50Hz. European two-pin plugs are standard.

**Language:** French is the official language. Although most people speak some English, it is appreciated if visitors can speak a few words of French.

**Health:** Please ensure that you have a medical insurance as French health care does not cover visitors to France. Citizens from the EU should bring the completed E111 form or the European Insurance card. Doctors and hospitals generally expect immediate cash payment for health services. Pharmacies will provide some first aid, but charge for it.

**Tipping:** Most restaurants and hotels automatically add a 15% service charge so a tip is not necessary. If service is not included, 15% is customary. Taxi drivers expect 10-15% of the fare.

**Safety:** As elsewhere, ostentatious displays of wealth are inadvisable. Take care not to carry valuables that can easily be snatched, conceal bags and purses even when driving, and never leave valuables unattended in the car. For safety reasons, unattended luggage left in public places such as airports and train stations will be removed or destroyed by security staff.

**Communications:** The international access code for France is +33. The cheapest way to call abroad is often with a phone card, which are available in newsagents.

**Banks:** Banks are usually open from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. from Tuesday to Saturday.

**Currency exchange:** Currency exchange can be made in most banks (look for a sign indicating Change) and post offices as well as in some large stores, train stations, airports and exchange offices near major tourist sites. Traveller's checks in Euros can be purchased in any major bank in France.

**Credit Cards:** Credit cards are accepted in a large number of shops, hotels and restaurants. Shopkeepers often state a minimum amount required to be spent.

### **Shop opening hours:**

Supermarkets and hypermarkets are open Monday to Saturday from 09:00 to 19:00 (sometimes later). Some small grocery shops are open until midnight.

**Marseille Airport:** Marseille Provence Airport is located 25km (16 miles) north of Marseilles, in Marignane. There are shuttle buses (tel: 04 42 14 31 27) to Marseille St Charles train station every 20 minutes (journey time 30 minutes, €8.50). Taxis are available 24 hours a day and can be ordered in advance (tel: 04 42 14 24 44; [www.taxis-aeroport.com](http://www.taxis-aeroport.com)).

**Public transport:** There is a clean, efficient métro system which stops everywhere you need to go in central Marseille. A fare for a single ticket is 1.70 euros. Services stop at 9 pm.

