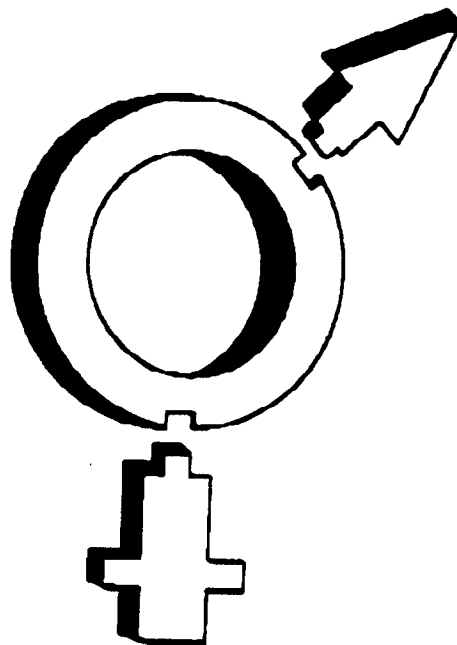


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The Fifth International Symposium on Gender Dysphoria has been designed to bring together the best workers in the field for an exchange of scientific, clinical and research ideas in the area of problems of gender. The initial call for papers has brought forth a large number of participants who will acquaint us with their work in the area of etiology, diagnosis, treatment and follow-up of these patients. Consideration of legal and ethical issues, in addition to the medical and sociological parameters, will be stressed.

The program has been designed this year with fewer papers and more built in discussion time. We look forward to an active and lively exchange of ideas among the numbers of the various disciplines attending. The planned social activities will enhance opportunities to continue interchange and discussion "into the night".

Just prior to the meeting we have learned that the Erickson Educational Foundation, which we all consider a vital force in the area of transsexualism, will cease to exist. This impartial educational agency has been of inestimable value to the field. The conference planning committee will schedule a business meeting in lieu of one of the discussion periods to discuss the expected effect of this event on the field and to brainstorm about the implications of this to the ongoing communication which all of us have enjoyed through the tireless efforts of Zelda Suplae.

This conference belongs to the participants. Every effort will be made to make it a useful and informative experience for everyone. In a field which is delicate and often sensational, our meeting together for the purpose of advancing the science and technology of the field can only result in better patient care and less human suffering.