

## CALEM – TDMES (Counseling & Trainings)

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LGBT ASYLUM SEEKERS & REFUGEES  
LGBT DEMANDEURS D'ASILE ET RÉFUGIÉS  
LGBT SOLICITANTES DE ASILO Y REFUGIADOS  
LGBT SIGINMAÇILAR VE MÜLTECILER  
LGBT ASILBEWERBER UND FLÜCHTLINGE  
همجنسگرایان، پناهنده، پناهنده‌ها و پناهنده‌ها هستند  
جنس پروریت بنا، گزینش و مطلوبیت  
طالبی اللجوء من المثليين والمثليات وذوي الميول الجنسية الثنائية  
والمتحولين جنسيًا

**Réunion d'informations & d'accompagnement,  
ouverte aux demandeurs d'asile et aux  
bénévoles**



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## USEFUL INFORMATION:

\* [Can I apply for asylum in France as an LGBT + refugee - Click here](#)

\* [How can I prove that I am a homosexual or transgender or queer? Click here](#)

\* [Associations that will help you to be recognized by the OFPRA \(national agency for the examination of the asylum seekers cases\) - Click here](#)

\* How to write my story for OFPRA (crescendo beginning, then detailed explanation, and a final culmination):

1. Childhood, the discovery of homosexuality.
2. Difficulties with family and friends.
3. Adulthood and first love; same-sex partners etc.
4. LGBT + community in your country and in France: proof of membership (FB screenshots etc.)
5. Problems encountered in the country; the inability to return home
6. Put only the essential information (2 pages maximum recommended)
7. Recall after each point why you are in danger if you return home

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## FAQ - other information:

\* If you choose to marry or establish a PCS with your partner, and if this procedure is successful, you will have to go back to your home country to ask for a marital visa (in some countries this procedure is dangerous ...)

\* We can put you in touch with (gay-friendly) doctors, psychologists, lawyers who will support you in a suitable way in your asylum demand. Contact Us

\* You can have (for free) French courses, legal assistance, universal medical aid and free medical consultations. Contact Us

\* How to obtain legal aid, social worker, the right to work in France (if the procedure lasts more than 9 months), as asylum seekers? Contact Us

Monthly meeting at the Institut CALEM (Marseille, address sent by email: <mailto:info@calem.eu> - 0667466406). Group discussions, counseling; we may provide you with a recommendation to add to your file. All asylum seekers and potential volunteers are welcome.



**NB - last update after consultation of the members of our network on Saturday 30/09/2017. The objectives of the various actors working in this field in Marseille were described as follows:**

1. Visibility and coordination of volunteer activities
2. Be more effective in supporting and advising LGBT+ asylum seekers & refugees
3. Promote their rights and the dangerous contexts to which they may be confronted
4. To eventually assist in the creation of an French official association (law 1901) based in Marseille, to manage this type of projects
5. Manage homo / transphobic aggression in [CADA](#) (petitions), LGBT + accelerated procedures, etc.
6. Organize training workshops for professionals, volunteers and asylum seekers
7. Assist with the state benefit (asylum seekers) or RSA (refugees)
8. Assist with proofreading of stories written with official asylum platforms (crescendo, dangers, dates), before the OFPRA interview, and verify that the translation provided is of a good standard
9. Working with local, regional and European associations (Russia, Caucasus, Maghreb, Sub-Saharan Africa) through various mediums (assistance, cultural events, prevention, etc.)

