

SkaNdal



SkaNdal shows the remarkable history of how a social and political movement in Albania can start, develop and get to the heart of the society. The experience of smart and courageous people who started the LGBT movement and dedicated their lives to it. A tribute to those LGBT people who were persecuted under communism. A message of hope to those who are still afraid.

An event co-organised by the Council of Europe Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Unit (SOGI) and the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Albania to the Council of Europe. The event is followed by a reception.

Date: 9 November 2015

Time: 4.30 pm - 6.30 pm

Venue: Projection Room Palais de l'Europe

Welcome remarks:

- **Ms Ardiana Hobdari**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Albania to the Council of Europe
- **Mr Gianluca Esposito**, Head of Equality and Human Dignity Department, Council of Europe

The screening of the documentary will be followed by a discussion with the participation of the documentary screenplay authors and LGBT activist:

- **Xheni Karaj**, Executive Director Alliance against discrimination of LGBT, Scripwriter of SkaNdal, Co-founder Streha – Tirana Shelter for LGBT people
- **Kristi Pinderi**, Executive Director of ProLGBT, Scriptwriter of SkaNdal, Co-founder of Streha – Tirana Shelter for LGBT people
- Moderator: **Yuri De Boer**, Policy Advisor, Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues (SOGI), Council of Europe



Reception at Salon Bleu

The event is open to all Council of Europe Permanent Representations and staff.

SkaNdal is the first ever feature documentary about the LGBT movement in Albania.