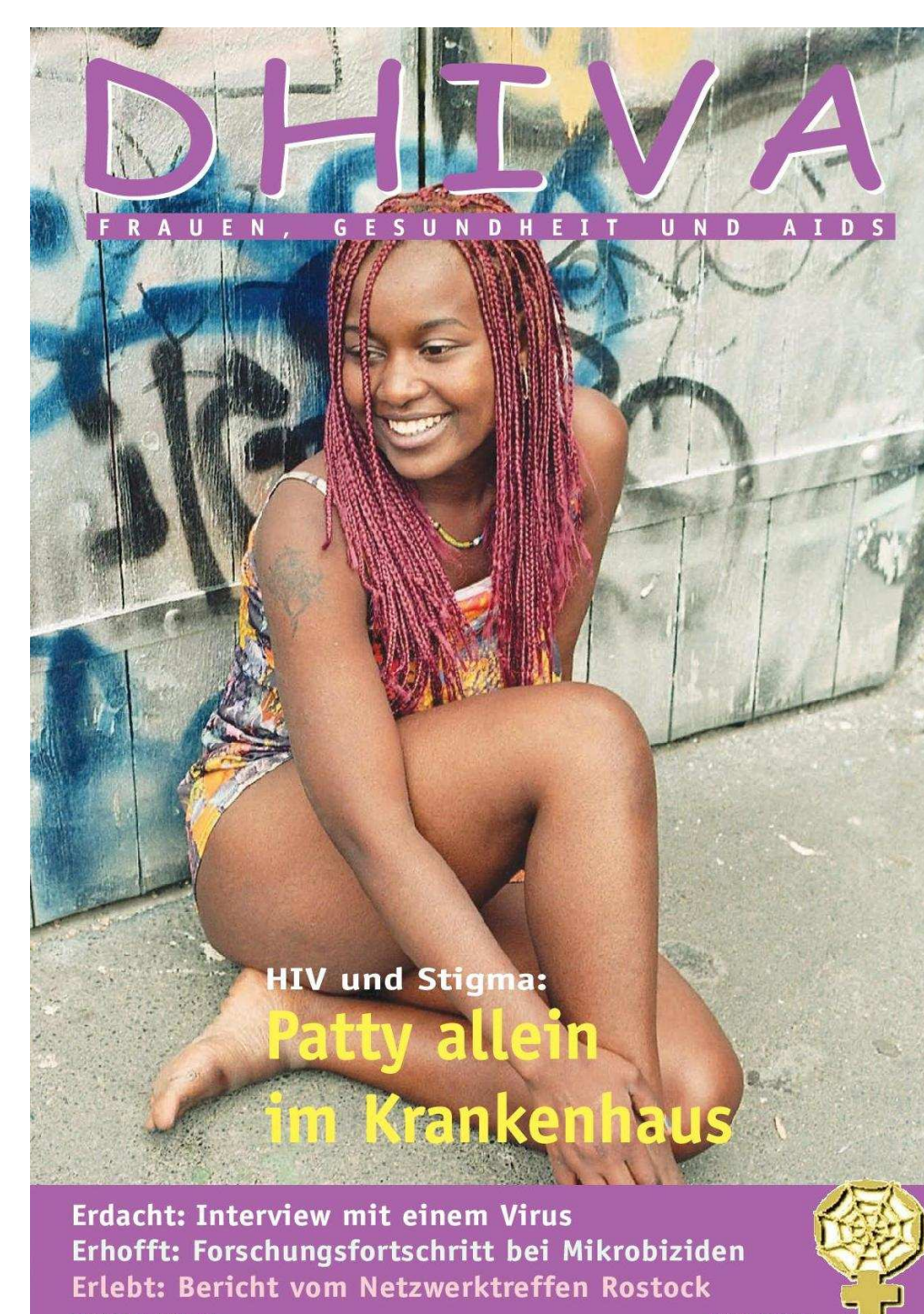


Projects of the GSSG – Gemeinnützige Stiftung Sexualität und Gesundheit (Charitable Foundation Sexuality and Health)

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DHIVA - The special interest magazine DHIVA on women, health and AIDS is made as a volunteers' project. Since 1994 DHIVA is the only magazine about woman related issues of HIV/AIDS in German. It finds its readers not only in Germany but also in German speaking countries.



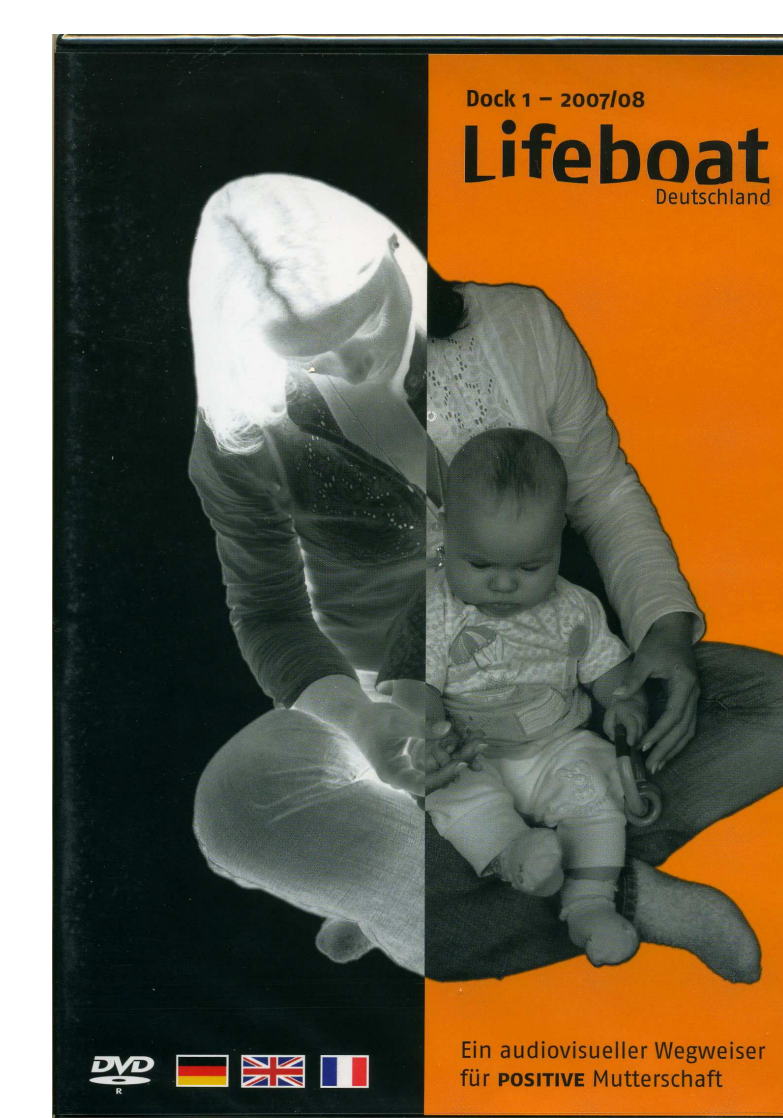
The DHIVA is available for free at the regional hubs of the network women and AIDS and in many AIDS related communities. Beside fixed departments like health, research and sexuality many personal stories about living with HIV are released. The magazine appears four times a year. We invite everybody to send us stories, lyrics and pictures for the DHIVA.

For more information: www.dhiva.de

Lifeboat - The multi media project 'Lifeboat Germany' is designed to support and encourage HIV positive mothers, parents and their children. The videos and other resources for 'Lifeboat' are designed together with the women, mothers, fathers and families affected. They themselves are in charge and decide what they want to say and how to state that.

'Lifeboat Germany' is part of the International Lifeboat – A Guide to Positive Motherhood. The project partners are the German national network "Women and AIDS", All Around Women special (AAWS) – a section of the German AIDS Society and the national working group "Children in the Context of HIV/AIDS". Since 2008 a DVD called Lifeboat Deutschland Dock 1 is available at Carasana Videoproduktion, Köln.

The DVD includes three short films as well as important information such as addresses of support centres and literature references. It also includes translation and subtitles in English and French. For more information: www.projekt-lifeboat.de

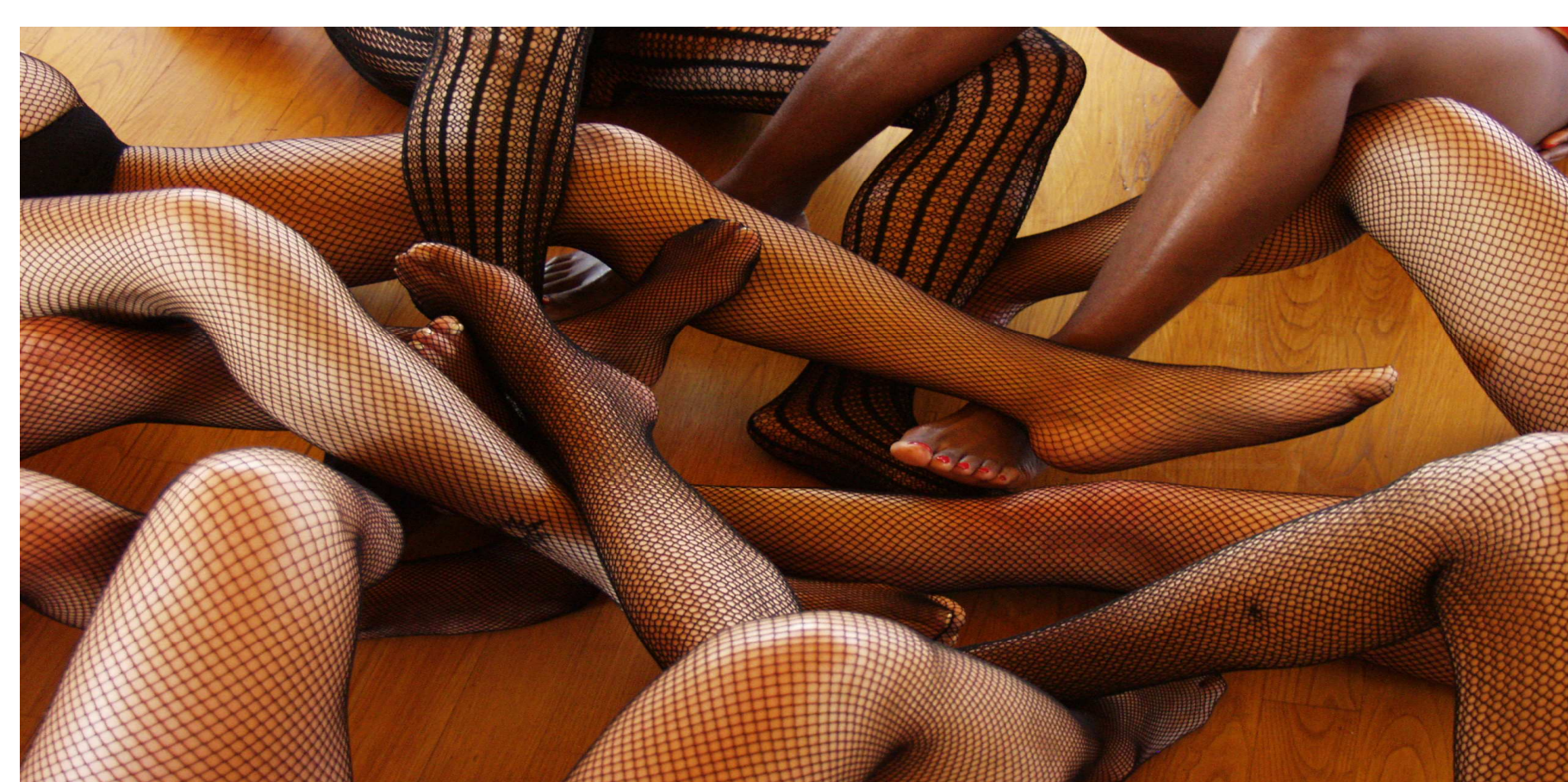


"We don't just speak about you, we work with you" – GSSG promotes sexual health rights as human rights. Our organization campaigns for the rights of people whether in sex work, with a background of migration or with special abilities/disabilities. All our projects are participatory.

- We educate and advocate in the fields of HIV and STI.
- We help to link national and international networks, activists and experts.
- We campaign against stigma and discrimination and encourage people living with HIV/AIDS and their families to claim their rights.

The GSSG only and exclusively runs participatory projects and activities. This means the content and the design of every project is planned and realized together with the people affected by it as a target group. The GSSG was founded in 2007 by Harriet Langanke, a journalist on sexual health.

Network Women and AIDS - Founded in 1992 today more than 100 women all over Germany are involved in the grassroots network: women living with and without an HIV+ diagnosis. What unites them is the will to engage for better prevention programs and better living conditions for women living with HIV.



The network gathers and spreads information on all issues concerning women and AIDS. It provides personal and political support. The members advocate women issues in prevention, advice and empowerment.

The women decide themselves to which themes they want to work such as drug use or sex work. All over Germany are women working as hubs to spread the latest news in their region. For more information: www.netzwerkfrauenundaids.de

Sexsicher.de - Sex can be something wonderful – as long as all involved enjoy themselves! And if there are no unwanted after-effects. The internet project www.sexsicher.de offers information for those who want to avoid such after effects as sexually transmitted diseases. The website addresses especially men who frequent female sex workers.



The internet is a good opportunity for discussing questions about sexuality. Help that can be found in an mostly anonymous setting at the internet can encourage men to care for sexual health issues.

Experts from various fields are part of the project: medics, people who know a lot about sex, people from AIDS organizations and health authorities. The website is available in German, English, Spanish and Turkish. For more information: www.sex-safe.info

