

'Miles of Love' LGBT+ Travel Advocacy Forum, Nov 2nd - 5th HK, 2018



Planet Ally, All Out and Eaton HK Present: Miles of Love: LGBT+ Travel Advocacy Forum

"Travel Agents of Change: bridging the gap between LGBTIQ+ travel and advocacy"

Dates: Friday 2nd - 5th November 2018

Venue: Eaton HK, 380 Nathan Rd, Jordan, Hong Kong

Event Host: Pink Season (Miles of Love Annual Forum will make its debut during Pink Season 2018)

Forum Overview:

Miles of Love: LGBT+ Travel Advocacy Forum: The travel industry has worked hard to enable both staff and customers to be themselves. But the wonder of travel is still tainted by the fact that, in many popular travel destinations, love and being LGBTIQ+ is still illegal. This Forum will be a unique opportunity to explore how the travel industry can work with LGBT+ communities and activists around the world to become real travel agents of change. High profile leaders and speakers from across the globe will offer insights, connections, solutions and training on bridging the gap between human rights and travel. [Registration Link Here](#)

Forum Format:

Fri Nov 2	9.00 - 6.00 pm	Miles of Love - Forum Day 1	Eaton HK Michelle Ballroom, 2nd Floor	Ticket Prices HKD\$500 200 max
Fri Nov 2	7.00 - 9.00 pm	Miles of Celebrations: Miles of Love Launch Prumsodun OK & NATYARASA Gay Cambodian Dance Troupe	Eaton HK 'Terrible Baby', 4th Floor	HKD\$100 (cover charge) 250 max Cash bar
Sat Nov 3	9.00am - 1.00pm	Miles of Action - Forum Day 2 Miles of Opportunities: All Out - Corporate Training Miles of Accessibility: Accessibility 101 with Intopia	Eaton HK Keno Room 1st Floor	HKD\$500 (both days - not evening launch)

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Sat Nov 3	2.00 pm onwards	Out in the Open Pink Season Finale Party	The Butchers Club	FREE
Sun Nov 4	10.00 am - 3.30 pm	Miles of Activism - Forum Day 3 All Out's Civil Society Training - Invite Only	Eaton HK Eaton House 4th Floor	FREE 50-70 max
Mon Nov 5	8.30 am - 11.00 am	Miles of Diplomacy - Forum Day 4 Diplomatic Roundtable - Invite Only	Eaton HK Anita Room, 2nd Floor	FREE 30-40 max
Mon Nov 5	7.00 pm - 9.30 pm	IGLTA Comes to Hong Kong!	Eaton HKI Music Room, 4th Floor	FREE 100

Forum Curation:

<p>Friday 2nd November 2017 Day 1: Miles of Love Travel Advocacy Forum, Michelle Ballroom, Eaton Hotel</p>
<p>8.30 am - 9.00 am Registration, Networking and Tea and Coffee</p>
<p>9.00 am - 9.10 am Welcome Remarks</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dirk Dalichau, Managing Director, Eaton HK
<p>9:10 am - 9:40 am Faith, Culture and Colonisation</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ging Cristobal, Project Coordinator for Asia, OutRight International, Board Member, IFED @gingcristobal @OutRightIntl <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jaz Dawson, Director, Kaleidoscope Australia Human Rights Foundation

@jazdawson_ @kaleidoscopeHRF @CWEquality

- Jaiyah Saelua - American Samoa international footballer, international sports inclusion advocate, "Next Goal Wins" film representative, Member, FIFA "11 For Diversity," Member, Society Of Fa'afafine In American Samoa (SOFIAS)
@jaiyahs

9.40 am - 10.00 am

**All Out Presentation: 'Plane Truths' Airline Industry Case Studies and Calls to Action
There's No Pride in Deportations!**

Speaker:

- Matt Beard, Executive Director, All Out
@MatthewBeard14 @AllOut

10.00 am - 10.10 am

ILGA Presentation: IGLTA Foundation

Speaker:

- John Tanzella, President/CEO International Gay and Lesbian Tourism Association
@JohnIGLTA @IGLTA

10.10 am - 10.20 am

Spotlight: Perspectives on Disability and Allyship

Speaker: Theresa Goh, Singapore Paralympian, Ambassador, Pink Dot Singapore 2017
@theresagoh_

10.20 am - 10.50 am

Travel, Tourism and Cybersecurity

Moderator:

- Matt Beard, Executive Director, All Out
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Speakers:

- Ging Cristobal, Project Coordinator for Asia, OutRight International, Board Member, IFED
@gingcristobal @OutRightIntl
- Sean Howell, CEO, LGBT Foundation, Co-Founder, Hornet
@howell4change @lgbt_token
- Mila Khaled, Project Manager, Mesahat Foundation for Sexual and Gender Diversity

10.50 am - 11.05 am

Country Spotlight: Cambodia

Performance:

- Prumsodun Ok & NATYARASA

Speaker:

- Prumsodun Ok, Founding Artistic Director, Prumsodun Ok & NATYARASA, TED Fellow & Speaker @TEDFellow

11.05 am - 11.20 am: **Coffee and Networking Break**

11.20 am - 11.30 am

Country Spotlight: Egypt

Speaker: Mila Khaled, Project Manager, Mesahat Foundation for Sexual and Gender Diversity

11.30 am - 11.40 am

Country Spotlight: Indonesia

Speaker: 'Nana', Travel Agent, Bali, Indonesia

11.40 am - 11.50 am

Country Spotlight: Malaysia

Speaker: Nisha Ayub, Founder, Seed Foundation Malaysia

11.50 am - 12.20 pm

Fireside: Travel Advocacy and Allyship: Supporting Egypt, Indonesia and Malaysia

Moderator:

- Matt Beard, Executive Director, All Out @MatthewBeard14 @AllOut

Speakers:

- Nisha Ayub, Founder, Seed Foundation Malaysia
- Mila Khaled, Project Manager, Mesahat Foundation for Sexual and Gender Diversity
- 'Nana', Travel Agent, Bali, Indonesia

12.20 pm - 12.55 pm

Hong Kong Gay Games: Road to 2022

Moderator:

- Brenda Alegre, Lecturer, Faculty of Arts, HKU and ILGA World Trans Secretariat @ILGAWorld

Speakers:

- Abby Lee, President, Qlove, Director of Business Success, Gay Games 11 Hong Kong 2022 and Co-Director Pink Dot HK @LeeAbby @GayGamesHK2022
- Bertrand Sallet, Managing Director, Flight Centre Asia @flight_centre

12.55 pm - 1.40 pm: **Lunch**

1.40 pm - 2.20 pm

Transgender, Intersex, Non-binary Travel:

Moderator:

- Brenda Alegre, Lecturer Faculty of Arts, HKU and ILGA World Trans Secretariat
@ILGAWorld

Speakers:

- Nisha Ayub, Founder, Seed Foundation Malaysia

- Vincy Chan, Non-binary Trans Artist/ Musician/ Advocate
@chanwanvincy

- Small Luk, Founder, Beyond the Boundary-Knowing and Concerns Intersex
@ivysmall @intersexasia

2.20 pm - 3.00 pm

Sports and Cultural Events

Moderator:

- Bess Hepworth, Founder and Executive Director, Planet Ally
@bess_hepworth @PlanetAllyApp

Speakers:

- Theresa Goh, Singapore Paralympian, Ambassador, Pink Dot 2017
@theresagoh_

- David Palumbo, Vice-Chair, Executive Board, You Can Play Project, Partner, Baker McKenzie
@palumboTO @YouCanPlayTeam

- Jaiyah Saelua - American Samoa international footballer, international sports inclusion advocate,
"Next Goal Wins" film representative, Member, FIFA "11 For Diversity," Member, Society Of Fa'afafine
In American Samoa (SOFIAS)

- Name Undisclosed, Member, Pussy Riot
@pussyriot

3.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Business Travel and Soft Diplomacy

Moderator:

- John Tanzella, President/CEO International Gay and Lesbian Tourism Association (IGLTA)
- @JohnIGLTA @IGLTA

Speakers:

- Marisa Howarth, Consul (Consular & Management), Australian Consulate-General

- Shiho Ikeuchi, Board Member, International Gay and Lesbian Travel Association (IGLTA)
- Fern Ngai, CEO, Community Business
@fern @CB_Asia

3.30 pm - 3.45 pm: **Afternoon Tea**

3.45 pm - 4.30 pm

Arts, Culture and Pinkwashing

Moderator:

- Michael Luongo, Freelance Journalist, Author, Photographer and Professor, Author, Gay Travels in the Muslim World
@michaelluongo

Speakers:

- Brenda Alegre, Lecturer, Faculty of Arts, HKU and ILGA World Trans Secretariat
- Hanan Darwashi, Palestinian Women and LGBTQIA Rights Activist
- Rojeh Khleif, Co Founder, Jazar Crew, Co-Founder Haifa Independent Film Festival

4.30 pm - 4:40 pm

Country Spotlight: Russia

Speaker:

- Mikhail Tumasov, Coordinator, Russian LGBT Network
@MikhailTumasov @rulgbtnet

4.40 pm - 5.00 pm

Fireside: Rainbow Railroad

Moderator:

- Jaz Dawson, Director, Kaleidoscope Human Rights Foundation
@jazdawson_ @kaleidoscopeHRF @CWEquality

Speaker:

- Kimahli Powell, Executive Director, Rainbow Railroad
@kimahli @RainbowRailroad

5:00 pm - 5.45 pm

Closing Fireside: Chechnya: How Can Travel Industry Respond to Crisis

Moderator:

- Bess Hepworth, Founder and Executive Director, Planet Ally
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Speakers:

- Matt Beard, Executive Director, All Out
@MatthewBeard14 @AllOut
- Kimahli Powell, Executive Director, Rainbow Railroad
@Kimahli @RainbowRailroad

- Mikhail Tumasov, Coordinator, Russian LGBT Network
@MikhailTumasov @rulgbtnet
- Name Disclosed, Member, Pussy Riot (Russia)
@pussyrrriot

5.50 pm - 6.00 pm

Closing Remarks:

Speaker:

- Dirk Dalichau, Managing Director, Eaton HK

Friday 2nd Nov - EVENING

Day 1: Miles of Love Travel Advocacy Forum, Michelle Ballroom, Eaton Hotel

7.00 pm - 9.00 pm

Miles of Celebration: Official Miles of Love Launch

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Special Performance:

Prumsodun OK & NATYARASA

Saturday 3rd Nov - DAY

Day 2: Miles of Love Travel Advocacy Forum, Miles of Action, 4th Floor, Eaton House

8.30 am - 9.00 am

Tea, Coffee and Networking

9.00 am - 10.30 am

Miles of Opportunities: All Out - Corporate Training P1

Bridging the gap between the LGBTIQ+ movement and travel executives.

Facilitator: Matt Beard, Executive Director, All Out
@matthewbeard14 @AllOut

10.30 am - 10.50 am: **Morning Tea**

10.50 am - 11.50 am

Miles of Accessibility: Intopia Digital Inclusion Session

Presenter: Chris Pycroft, Accessibility Engagement Manager, Intopia Digital, Stakeholder Director, Australian Marriage Equality The Equality Campaign, Planet Ally, Partnerships and Policy Advisor
@chrispytweets @intopia

11.50 am - 12.30 pm

Miles of Opportunities: All Out - Corporate Training P2

Facilitator: Matt Beard, Executive Director, All Out
@matthewbeard14 @AllOut

12.30 - 12.50 pm

Fireside Chat with Theresa Goh

Moderator:

- Chris Pycroft, Accessibility Engagement Manager, Intopia Digital, Stakeholder Director, Australian Marriage Equality The Equality Campaign, Planet Ally, Partnerships and Policy Advisor

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Sat 3rd Nov - AFTERNOON/EVE

Day 2: Out and in The Open, The Butchers Club

2.00 pm - 9.00 pm

Out and in The Open: Pink Season Finale Party (The Butchers Club, 18 Wong Chuk Hang Road)

The finale of Pink Season is going to be the biggest and best ever. With free food, drinks and competitions, spectacular live music and dance and even sunset yoga, this will be an awesome day not to be missed!

Sunday 4th Nov - DAY

Day 3: Miles of Activism, All Out Civil Society, Eaton House, 4th Floor, Eaton Hotel

10.00 am - 12.30 pm

Miles of Activism: All Out Training P1

Invite only for LGBTIQ NGOs and activists

Facilitator:

- Matt Beard, Executive Director, All Out
@matthewbeard14 @AllOut

12.30 pm - 1.30 pm **Lunch:**

1.30 pm - 3.30 pm

Miles of Activism: All Out Training P2

Facilitator:

- Matt Beard, Executive Director, All Out
@matthewbeard14 @AllOut

Monday 5th Nov - DAY

Day 4: Miles of Diplomacy, Diplomatic Roundtable, Anita Room, 2nd Floor, Eaton Hotel

8.30 am - 9.00 am

Registration, Networking and Tea and Coffee

9.00 am - 11.00 am

Diplomatic Roundtable

This will be an invite only event for Miles of Love global speakers and select guests from civil society, travel, business and diplomatic community, who will be invited to join in this powerful and intimate action-focused session. A White Paper will be produced as a result of the Forum and this Roundtable.

Monday 5th Nov - EVENING

Day 4: IGLTA Comes to HK, Music Room, Eaton HK

7.30 pm - 9.30 pm

IGLTA Comes to Hong Kong!

Speakers:

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- Vincy Chan, Non-binary Trans Artist/ Musician/ Advocate (Hong Kong)
- Ging Cristobal, Project Coordinator for Asia, OutRight International, Board Member, IFED (Philippines)
- Dirk Dalichau, Managing Director, Eaton HK (Hong Kong)
- Hanan Darwashi, Palestinian Women and LGBTQIA Rights Activist (Palestine)
- Jaz Dawson, Director, Kaleidoscope Human Rights Foundation (Canada/Australia)
- Theresa Goh, Singapore Paralympian, Ambassador, Pink Dot Singapore 2017 (Singapore)
- Bess Hepworth, Founder and Executive Director, Planet Ally, Founder, Miles of Love (Hong Kong)
- Marisa Howarth, Consul (Consular & Management), Australian Consulate-General (Hong Kong)
- Sean Howell, CEO, LGBT Foundation, Co-Founder, Hornet (Hong Kong)
- Shiho Ikeuchi, Board Member, International Gay and Lesbian Travel Association (IGLTA) (Japan)
- Mila Khaled, Project Manager, Mesahat Foundation for Sexual and Gender Diversity (Egypt)
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- Bertrand Sallet, Managing Director, Flight Centre Asia (Hong Kong)
- John Tanzella, President/CEO International Gay and Lesbian Tourism Association (IGLTA), (USA)
- Bella Thanakarn Vongvisitsin - Ph.D. Student, IGLTA 2018 Building Bridges Scholar (Hong Kong/Thailand)
- Mikhail Tumasov, Coordinator, Russian LGBT Network (Russia)
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Topics to Discuss:

- Transgender, Non-binary and Intersex Travel and Mobility
- Business Travel and Soft Diplomacy
- Cybersecurity
- Faith and Culture and Colonization
- Pinkwashing
- LGBT+ Disability and Travel Accessibility
- Sports and Cultural Events

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Event Partners:

- Eaton HK
- Asia-Pacific Transgender Network
- Community Business
- HER Fund
- Flight Centre Hong Kong
- Gay Games Hong Kong 2022
- Global Interfaith Network
- Hands on Hong Kong
- International Gay and Lesbian Association Foundation (IGLTA)
- LGBT Foundation
- Mesahat Foundation for Sexual and Gender Diversity
- NGLCC
- Prumsodun Ok & NATYARASA
- Rainbow Railroad
- Russian LGBT Network
- Sanctuary Resorts

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Event Organisers

Planet Ally

Founded in 2016, our mission is to build a planet of allies. As a leading nonprofit dedicated to empowering allyship, we give people the resources and tools to advance human rights and help build stronger, more resilient communities. Our flagship events are the Asia-Pacific Rainbow Families Forum, Miles of Love, LGBT+ Travel Advocacy Forum and the Human Dignity Festival. Across APAC and MENA, we empower communities online, on the ground and when travelling. "We want to live on a planet of allies!"

All Out

All Out is a global movement fighting for a world where NO ONE has to sacrifice their family, freedom, safety, or dignity because of who they are or who they love. We mobilise thousands of people around the world to stand up for LGBT rights. When a moment of crisis or opportunity comes up – like an anti-gay law going to a vote or a crackdown on a Pride march – All Out works closely with partners to come up with inspiring ways for our members to take action. From signing a petition to joining a protest, from sharing on social media to making a donation, All Out members turn solidarity into action every single day.

About Eaton Workshop:

Eaton Workshop is a global purpose-driven company and creative lab at the intersection of culture, media, hospitality, wellness, and progressive social change. Founded by Katherine Lo, whose vision is to reimagine a hotel as an inclusive gathering place for changemakers and creatives, Eaton consists of distinct parts—Hotel, House, Media, Wellness, and Impact. Collectively, the pillars serve as an incubator for arts and culture, a beacon for sustainability, a hub for impact initiatives, a holistic healing center, and a global media presence. Eaton's first properties are now open in Downtown, Washington, D.C., and Hong Kong's Jordan neighborhood, with ensuing locations to arrive in San Francisco, Seattle, and Toronto in the future. www.EatonWorkshop.com | Instagram: @EatonWorkshop

Event Host:

Pink Season

Asia's premier LGBT festival celebrating acceptance, inclusion and awareness through an exciting programme of arts, education, entertainment, sports and adventure. We are non-profit making and the organising team consists of all volunteers. Pink Season is brought to you by Hong Kong-registered charity Pink Alliance.