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Cruising the 1970s: Unearthing Pre-HIV/AIDS Queer Sexual Cultures

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Core questions:

- How can we best [reconstruct](#) and [understand](#) LGBTQ social and sexual cultures of the 1970s? What can this knowledge [contribute](#) to understandings of queer politics and identity in Europe's [present and future](#)?
- In what ways were the '[queer 1970s](#)' experienced and historicized differently in [distinct European countries](#)?
- What are the [blindspots](#) in official histories of this decade? In arriving at our current cultural attitudes and political policies towards LGBTQ people, what '[alternative histories](#)' have been [sidelined or obscured](#)?
- What [challenges](#) are posed by engaging with hidden or fleeting elements of subcultural history? For instance, how can these be [located](#) and then subsequently [archived](#)?