

# Come Out 2019

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The 2019 European Parliament elections come in an increasingly polarised social and political climate. Human rights, in particular, the human rights of LGBTI people, are facing a forceful challenge.

[ILGA-Europe's Rainbow Europe Map](#) has shown much progress in the legal and policy situation for LGBTI people across Europe in recent decades. However, increasingly, progress in some places has been accompanied by regression in others, and the strongest trend has been that of stagnation, providing fertile ground for backlash and backsliding. The current context makes it ever more important to openly “Come Out” in support of the human rights of LGBTI people, and proactively seek opportunities to ensure their protection.

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## The Come Out Pledge 2019



*I, as a candidate for the European Parliament, pledge to stand up for the human rights and equality for all lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex (LGBTI) people in the European Union and beyond, and will do so by working to:*

Strengthen **protection** in EU law and policy

Ensure an **enabling environment** for LGBTI human rights defenders

Ensure **EU leadership** on LGBTI rights

Harness the **power of my position**

Be an **ally** to under-represented voices

**Signed:**  
**Political Group:**

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## **Come Out to Vote**

Come out to vote on May 23-26! Find out whether you need to register, how to do so and how the elections work at [www.european-elections.eu](http://www.european-elections.eu).