

Call for participants: Meeting on national-level actions to end conversion practices

ILGA-Europe is inviting LGBTI activists from Europe to apply for our one-day meeting to talk about strategies, challenges, and lessons learned regarding banning conversion practices. Deadline for applications is 6 October.

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On 6 December 2024, ILGA-Europe will host a one-day in-person meeting in Brussels, Belgium, for up to 20 activists to talk about strategies and lessons learned regarding banning conversion practices.

An increasing number of countries in Europe and Central Asia have adopted or are in the process of developing bans on conversion practices. As of September 2024, [ten countries](#) have such bans in place: Belgium, Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Malta, Norway, Portugal, and Spain. Efforts to develop bans are also ongoing in several other countries in the region. According to ILGA-Europe's member organisations, there are several issues that cause regular problems in the development and debate of these bills, including sanctions and whether or how to cover conversion practices when the person subjected is an adult.

The purpose of this meeting is to gather information about the various existing and planned national-level bans, to collect good practices and responses to common issues, and to map areas where additional information is needed for advocacy in pursuit of ending these practices at the national level. The meeting is open to national level activists working on ending conversion practices, from both countries that have and have not yet adopted bans.

Logistical details

- All travel costs of selected participants, including transportation, accommodation for two nights, and subsistence, will be covered by ILGA-Europe
- The meeting is open to activists from anywhere in Europe
- Attendees will be expected to actively engage in the meeting and present about their national situation to the group (more details to be provided to selected participants)
- The meeting will take place in English
- Specific questions on transportation needs, accessibility needs, dietary requirements, etc. will be collected after selection of participants

Applications

If you're interested in attending the meeting, [fill out this application form](#).

Applications are due by 23:59 CEST on Monday, 6 October 2024. If you have any questions, please contact Cianán Russell, ILGA-Europe Senior Policy Officer: cianan@ilga-europe.org