

# Protecting the rights of LGBTI asylum seekers and refugees in the reform of the Common European Asylum System

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With this briefing, ILGA Europe sets out how to ensure that the proposed EU directives and regulations will protect the rights of LGBTI asylum seekers, and respect their specific needs in terms of reception conditions, procedures and protection status.

## **ILGA-Europe's key demands:**

- The new Qualification Regulation, the Reception Conditions Directive and the Procedure Regulation should enhance protection, reception and procedural standards offered to people persecuted on the ground of their sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression and sex characteristics.
- Outdated or inappropriate language excluding trans and intersex people or linking LGBTI people to criminal practices should be removed.
- The definition of the asylum seeker's family members should be improved to clearly include same-sex partners and their families.
- People belonging to persecuted minorities, including LGBTI people, should not be subject to accelerated procedures, like lists of safe countries of origin, safe third countries, etc.

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