ILGA-Europe Annual Conference 2017 Resolution
on the Introduction of a Voluntary Membership Fee to support ILGA-Europe’s ongoing efforts

This proposal will be discussed and consulted in the Proposals* Workshop.
The workshop will discuss possible amendments. The proposal will be put up to a vote.

As ILGA-Europe develops and becomes engaged in more challenging areas of work, the need for sustainable, flexible and non-restrictive funding also increases, as does the need for independence from traditional funding institutions. The ILGA-Europe Annual Conference 2017 in Warsaw recognizes these needs and supports ILGA-Europe in their efforts to develop new, alternative sources of financing.

Considering that the membership fee currently paid by member organizations is paid to ILGA and does not finance any activities of ILGA-Europe, the Conference encourages member organisations to contribute to strengthening the European movement by donating an separate Voluntary Membership Fee to ILGA-Europe. The Conference is also aware of the diversity in member organizations' capacities, funding schemes, programmes and the different value of money across the region. Therefore it asks member organisations to pledge a Voluntary Membership Fee between 100 € and 10 000 €, either annually or as a one-time gift, according to what amount and form is reasonable relative to the organisation's capacity. Organizations who are not able to contribute at all are encouraged to explore the possibility of budgeting a chosen fee in the future.

The ILGA-Europe staff will accommodate all needs related to fiscal requirements in order for such donations to be processed smoothly and successfully.

The ILGA-Europe Annual Conference 2017 believes that this form of engagement of the membership in the on-going development processes will not only enhance the effectiveness of ILGA-Europe, but also contribute to strengthening the movement as a whole.