ANNUAL REPORT
OUR ACHIEVEMENTS ON
THE WAY TO EUROPE
2014 was an extremely tragic and, without exaggeration, turning year in Ukraine. We all have become partakers of historical changes in the country and the revolution of dignity for the European future. LGBT community and FULCRUM were not just observers of these processes, but also active participants. We are one of the groups that are highly interested in the deep reforms of Ukraine, changing social contract and implementation of European standards both in human rights and other areas.

This year FULCRUM has launched a number of innovative programs. We have established Ukrainian Corporate Equality Index, started an updated system of free counseling and HIV testing for bisexual and homosexual men through the system of ‘friendly doctor’, expanded our parliamentary project and began to actively cooperate with business.

There were also significant changes in the organization. In particular, FULCRUM introduced associate membership and made it available to all people who support the idea of the organization. We believe that by attracting supporters, we are becoming both stronger and more open to public. Due to our close cooperation with the media, we can promote acceptance and tolerance in the society. According to recent studies of Gfk Ukraine, 34% of citizens of Ukraine support the adoption of anti-discrimination legislation based on sexual orientation (36% are opponents), although in 2013 these supporters amounted for less than 10%.

But our main struggle for civil equality and non-discrimination is still ahead. 2015 poses significant challenges: we need to implant a clearly designated prohibition of discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity into the national legislation, to continue cooperating with businesses on the implementation of policies of equality and to expand medical services provision through the friendly doctor system.

The results of our work affect thousands of people in Ukraine, and we work hard, though the main results have not been achieved yet. We are grateful to all our supporters for their care, assistance and contribution nearing our common victory day of equality!

Executive Director
Bogdan Globa
ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE YEAR

798 134
Ukrainians were involved in the discussion on equal rights and anti-discrimination through the National LGBT portal of Ukraine

5 000
798 134
We have been working in
10 REGIONS
providing direct services for MSM and LGBT
gay and bisexual men got tested for HIV

856
letters were sent to the MPs on the need to ban discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity

4
strategic litigations on discrimination and hate crimes were started. One case has already been won.

20
companies have joined the Corporate Equality Index and supported prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation in the workplace

5
regions have access to their own office of ‘Friendly doctor’

50
persons were involved into the movement of ‘Parents’ initiative TERGO’
MEDICAL SERVICES
PROGRAM «JUMP UP!»

2014 FULCRUM launched an innovative program «Jump Up!» supported by Elton John Aids Foundation and Fund Sidaction. We have significantly changed the approach in the provision of health services and used a number of innovative practices. In particular, the program includes the following innovative tools:

- **An electronic queue – making an appointment with a doctor**
  You realize that you will be alone with a doctor.

- **Complete anonymity – friendly doctor offices are based in separate locations rather than in NGOs.**
  The client is guaranteed that he won’t meet friends while visiting a doctor.

- **Friendly doctors, the staff of the offices, have obtained the special professional training and are tolerant to their customers and aware of the specifics of work.**

- **A wide range of experts, such as an andrologist or venereologist are available which makes it possible to offer various treatment to our clients.**

- **On-line treatment – through the personal profile of “friendly doctor”, an opportunity arises to get a treatment regimen, and use special assistant that helps you successfully fulfill all the doctor’s recommendations.**

Through innovative servicing and unique services, “Friendly doctor” received a wide support in the community and it is in great demand.
80% is an average fullness of schedules of doctors

150 new HIV-positive cases got diagnosed during the year

4,652 people received special prevention packages (condoms and lubricants)

32 doctor in 10 regions are involved in the program of “Friendly doctor”
Consulting representatives of LGBT community has a significant challenge for physicians in a number of areas. Also, counseling same-sex couples on sexual and reproductive health is highly specific. One of the problems why same-sex couples do not appeal to a physician with a partner is the fear of being stigmatized and discriminated against.

The medical community is said to continue stigmatizing LGBT people, considering the fact that a large number of textbooks in the medical academies still contains references to homosexuality as a pathology or disease.

In 2013, FULCRUM has developed the special training course "Friendly doctors" which idea is to provide doctors with knowledge and skills to work with the LGBT community and to offer opportunities to provide medical services to homosexual couples.

The information on the part of physicians who received special training program is available on the website https://friendly-doctor.org/ where clients can seek necessary medical professional in a certain region.
The National LGBT portal Ukraine became the largest online edition for and about LGBT in Ukraine. As a result, the editorial board managed to double the number of unique readers.

The portal became not just a favorite reading for many LGBT, but also a platform for discussion. We should mention that the portal is read by both representatives of the LGBT community and a large number of people interested in the topic.

Through our interview section, we involve well-known personalities and socially important public figures into discussions on LGBT-issues and initiate public debates on human rights.
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This project was unique in its kind, because, unlike most social and corporate ratings, the Ukrainian corporate equality index simultaneously surveys three aspects: discrimination based on disability, sexual orientation and gender identity. The cooperation of these three groups vulnerable to discrimination is unique both in Ukraine and Europe.

To implement this project, the special website www.cei.org.ua was created which contains a database of information materials for HR-managers of private companies. The site also has a number of unique services: for example, a company can automatically generate a "typical provision prohibiting discrimination."

Online Index also posted a list of companies that meet the anti-discrimination European standards (Council Directive 78/2000) and a collection of ‘Best places for LGBT’ scheduled to get released in 2015.

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The strategic direction of FULCRUM is to support parents’ movement. Promoting parents’ movement has several objectives:

- To help families with LGBT- children find harmony in relationships, prevent stigma and discrimination
- To help parents better understand their child providing access to modern scientific researches on homosexuality
- To form an active community of parents with LGBT- children ready to advocate their rights
- To create an international platform based on TERGO to exchange information and experiences between representatives of parents’ movements in post-Soviet environment.

In 2014 the organization celebrated its first anniversary. During 2014 we focused on institutional development of the organization, support of parents, and finding answers to their multiple questions. We selected a support group as our working format, and once a month the group of parents met in Kiev. The psychologist Marina Didenko performed as a facilitator of these meetings.

During 2014, we managed to create a sustainable core of initiative proactive parents who may and want to promote the rights of their children.
My only beloved son is a gay which is not a source of pride and does not make him special. It’s just an objective reality! In the time when my son realized the nature of his sexuality, almost no one knew anything about homosexuality in Ukraine, and the majority of people believed that homosexual relations should be criminalized. That is, my son mightn’t be influenced by “promotion of homosexuality” while making his choice. Now, many years later, I am firmly convinced that there is no causal relationship between propaganda and choice of sexual orientation.

Olena Hloba
Chairman of “Parents initiative ‘Tergo’”
ADVOCACY IN THE PARLIAMENT

The other strategic direction of our work is interaction with the Parliament and MPs of Ukraine. In particular, we are focusing our work on collaboration with the two parliamentary committees: the Committee for European Integration and the Human Rights Committee. We also established cooperation with some pro-European MPs.

In 2014 FULCRUM personally appealed to all MPs to lobby legal prohibition of discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity.

During the election campaign to the Verkhovna Rada of the VIII th convocation, FULCRUM filed a request to the highest-rated parties to designate their position on LGBT rights. Bloc of Poroshenko expressed a necessity to strengthen the legal responsibility for hate crimes and to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation in their letter of response.

Moreover, FULCRUM actively participated in the meetings of the Committees on Human Rights and European integration and expressed its position at the relevant meetings.
29% ЛГБТ будуть впливати через дискримінацію.

11% ЛГБТ були дискриміновані на роботі.

79% ЛГБТ стикалися з дискримінацією.

Without homophobia!!!
The introduction of innovative services, development of advocacy campaigns and troublesome everyday work for community development are impossible without a significant amount of resources. Owing to the faith of our donor teams in the idea of FULCRUM, we have made significant progress in expanding the range of services offered by the organization.

Moreover, we care about the possible creation of more effective mechanisms for use of funds, greater transparency and flexibility both for donors and for the community. We know that we are expected to achieve both significant results of our program activities and adequate value of these achievements. That is why a part of our work is a concern for the efficient spending of each hryvnia.

2014 was a good year for fundraising. We managed to raise ₴3,602,393 which is by 155% more than last year. 89% of our expenses totaled program costs.
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Our Donors

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- Sidaction
- AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION
- OPEN SOCIETY FOUNDATIONS
- INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION