

Call on MEPs to Act on Hungary's Anti-LGBT+ Laws

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Subject: Urgent: Stand Up for LGBT+ Rights in Hungary

Dear Member of the European Parliament,

I am writing to you as a concerned constituent and supporter of LGBT+ rights across the EU.

In Hungary, recent laws have created a deeply hostile environment for LGBT+ people. The Government has introduced a law and amended the Constitution to prohibit assemblies that support LGBT+ rights, effectively banning Pride. The basis for these laws is the 2021 "propaganda law", which bans any representation of LGBT+ identities in education, media, and advertising. Simultaneously, the amendment to the Hungarian Constitution enshrined the denial of gender recognition for transgender, non-binary, and intersex people.

These laws not only violate the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights, but have also emboldened wider discrimination and censorship.

Now a proposed "Transparency in Public Life" law threatens to shut down civil society and media critical of the government. If enacted, the Bill would enable the government to target, defund and dissolve any organisation it designates as "a threat to Hungarian sovereignty".

As an MEP, you have a critical role to play in defending the values of equality, dignity, and freedom that the EU stands for. I am asking you to:

- Publicly speak out against Hungary's anti-LGBT+ and anti-civil society laws, and call for them to be repealed;
- Call for the EU institutions to use all available enforcement mechanisms to protect fundamental rights in all member states;
- Support funding and protection for grassroots LGBT+ groups working under threat whose funding has been cut from national sources in Hungary and in the aftermath of the Trump Administrations cut backs/attacks on DEI programmes.

With Budapest Pride and Dublin Pride both taking place this weekend, now is the time to show that Europe will not tolerate the erosion of human rights.

Please stand in solidarity with Hungary's LGBT+ community.

Kind regards,

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