

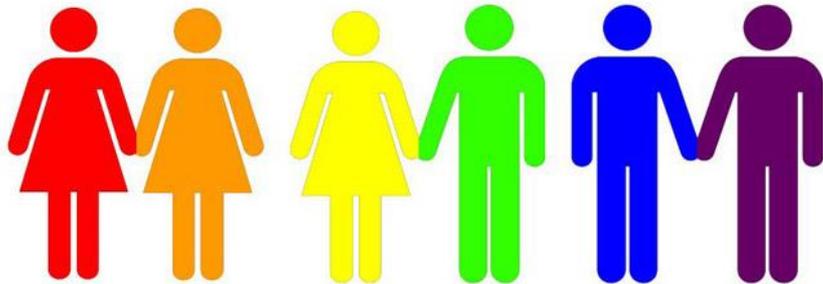
IDAHOBIT – International Day Against homophobia, biphobia and transphobia



**INTERNATIONAL DAY
AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA,
TRANSPHOBIA & BIPHOBIA**

A Worldwide Celebration of
Sexual and Gender Diversities

MAY 17



EQUAL PEOPLE

EQUAL RIGHTS

EQUAL LOVE



What is it?

- Every year the global community of sexual and gender minorities identifies one specific focus issue for the celebrations around May 17th. This year, the proposal is to focus attention on **ALLIANCES for SOLIDARITY as the global theme**
- Indeed, no battle can be won in isolation. We all need to keep strengthening alliances, especially when we need to ensure safety, fight violence, lobby for legal change, and/or campaign to change hearts and minds.
- Putting the focus of the Day on Solidarity and Alliances can create a valuable opportunity for all of us to reach out to our current partners to reinforce our bond, to reach out to new partners to raise awareness of our commonalities, and to engage in collective action around the Day.
- This focus should also be a welcome reminder of the need for solidarity within the communities of sexual and gender minorities, as the rights of one specific group cannot be solidly secured if the rights of other groups are left unchallenged.
- The focus on alliances should also highlight the necessity for sexual and gender minorities to be allies to other vulnerable groups (e.g. migrants, people living in poverty, vulnerable children, etc.).

LGBT



Lesbian: refers to a woman who has an emotional, romantic and/or sexual orientation towards women

Gay: refers to a man who has an emotional, romantic and/or sexual orientation towards men. Also a generic term for lesbian and gay sexuality -some women define themselves as gay rather than lesbian

Bisexual: refers to a person who has an emotional, romantic and/or sexual orientation towards more than one gender

Trans: Trans is an umbrella term to describe people whose gender is not the same as, or does not sit comfortably with, the sex they were assigned at birth. Trans people may describe themselves using one or more of a wide variety of terms, including (but not limited to) transgender, cross dresser, non-binary and/or gender queer.

Why is it important?

**I AM
~~GAY~~
~~STRAIGHT~~
~~BI~~
~~TRANSGENDER~~
...A PERSON**

Do any of
these
statistics
surprise you?

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4.7 BILLION PEOPLE LIVE UNDER REGIMES THAT RESTRICT FREE EXPRESSION OF SEXUAL AND GENDER RIGHTS.

THAT'S
70%
OF THE WORLD
POPULATION!



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OVER 1,500
PEOPLE
HAVE BEEN
KILLED
IN TRANSPHOBIC
HATE CRIMES
IN THE LAST 6 YEARS WORLDWIDE

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WE LIVE IN
A WORLD
WHERE

81 COUNTRIES
OUTLAW
SAME SEX
RELATIONSHIPS.

11 OF THEM
WITH
THE DEATH
PENALTY.



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People were asked what messages of support they wanted to pass onto young people on IDAHOBIT day. Here's what they had to say:

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zsz_5mMEgls
- What would your messages of support be?

Dear Year 7 self...

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VTaE7yJAQY>
- People were asked what message they would give to their Year 7 selves about understanding homosexuality and homophobia. This is what they want to say to their Year 7 self!

IDAHOBIT around the world

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9WlXhgyJuD8>

How can we promote equality?



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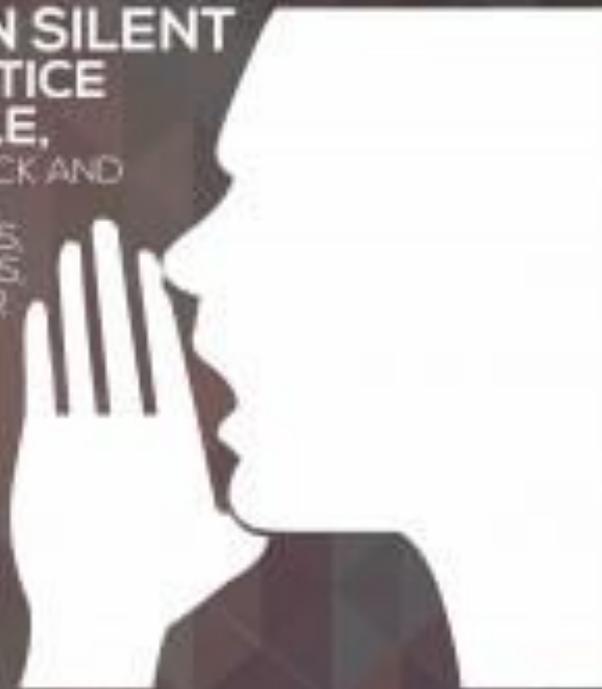
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**I REFUSE TO REMAIN SILENT
IN THE FACE OF INJUSTICE
AGAINST LGBTI PEOPLE,**

JUST AS MUCH AS WOMEN, BLACK AND
MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITIES,
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, MIGRANTS,
PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITIES,
PEOPLE PERSECUTED FOR THEIR
FAITH, SPIRITUALITY OR WAY OF LIFE,
PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS,
THE POOR AND EXPLOITED,
PEOPLE LABOURING UNDER
UNJUST REGIMES AND SUBJECT
TO GLOBAL ECONOMIC INEQUALITIES,
AND EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE
SUFFERING IN A THOUSAND
DIFFERENT WAYS

**ONE LOVE, ONE FIGHT,
HUMAN RIGHTS!**



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THIS IS YOU
TAKING
ACTION FOR
IDAHOT



THIS IS YOU
AND YOUR FRIENDS
TAKING ACTION
FOR **IDAHOT**



THIS IS THE WHOLE WORLD
TAKING ACTION TO BRING CHANGE
ON **IDAHOT** EVERY MAY 17