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## Dreilinden's 5th monitoring study published

# "German funding for LGBTIQA+ human rights work in the Global South and East" –

## On International Day against Homo-, Bi-, Inter- and Transphobia

On the occasion of the International Day against Homophobia, Bi-, Inter- and Transphobia on May 17, the German Institute for Human Rights together with Dreilinden gGmbH publishes the 5th Monitoring Study on Rainbow Philanthropy. The study surveys and documents funding from Germany for LGBTIQA+ human rights work in the Global South and East for 2018 and 2019.

"The Covid-19 pandemic is exacerbating disparities between people and societies with and without resources. For vulnerable minorities worldwide, such as LGBTIQA+ persons, difficult human rights situations have turned into acute emergencies", explains Ise Bosch, Executive Director of Dreilinden gGmbH. For example, she says, LGBTIQA+ persons are disproportionately often employed in sectors where lockdown measures have led to high income losses or where there is an increased risk of infection with the Covid-19 virus.

"After more than a year of crisis, we see a much changed picture. Civil society organizations that previously ran campaigns and educational programs are now distributing food, organizing housing for those who have become homeless, and advising the many people who have no access to the healthcare system. Emergency aid provided by the state or organized through larger humanitarian agencies barely reaches LGBTIQA+ communities, if at all," Bosch continued.

The Rainbow Philanthropy series traces how government funders implement their human rights commitments in concrete terms. "Although there has been an increase in government donors since 2010, there is still room for improvement," explains Beate Rudolf, Director of the German Institute for Human Rights. "The 5th study shows that the share of funding for LGBTIQA+ human rights work from the German development budget was only 0,01 percent in 2018, even though Germany is the second largest donor country within the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). This should change in the new legislative period," said Rudolf.

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In March 2021, the German government adopted an inclusion concept with which it intends to consistently take into account the human rights of gays, lesbians, bisexuals, trans and inter persons in foreign policy and development cooperation. "This is gratifying. For this, new measures to promote the rights of LGBTIQA+ must be initiated and sufficient financial resources must be made available," explains Beate Rudolf.

## **Further Information:**

Rainbow Philanthropy 5 (2021): German Funding for LGBTIQA+ Human Rights Work in the Global South and East. Ed.: German Institute for Human Rights, Dreilinden gGmbH. https://dreilinden.org/deu/index.html

or

www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/publikationen/detail/regenbogen-philanthropie-5

Factsheet on Rainbow Philanthropy 5 with charts for download (Funding organizations by funding amount and number of projects 2018 and 2019, World regions by funding amount and number of projects 2018 and 2019, Target groups by funding amount 2018 and 2019.)

www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/publikationen/detail/zur-regenbogen-philanthropie-5

## **Rainbow Philanthropy Materials 5 - Graphics at a glance**

https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/materialien-zur-regenbogen-philanthropie-5

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