

ILGA-Europe's Communications Support Group

Starting February 2025, ILGA-Europe are excited to launch a regular Communications Support Group for LGBTI activists. These lunchtime sessions are designed to inspire and empower you by spotlighting innovative communications experiences from your peers while offering a safe space to share your own challenges, insights, and successes.

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This group is a **semi-facilitated space**—not a lecture or formal training. (If you're looking for structured learning, check out our <u>Skills Boost sessions</u>.) Here, you're encouraged to ask questions, share your opinions and experiences, experiment with ideas, and most importantly, enjoy the process! Of course, you're welcome to simply listen in, but we hope you'll dive in and make the most of this collaborative space.

Join us every three months for a 60-minute online session where we'll:

- Learn from each other: Hear from LGBTI activists across Europe and Central Asia, sharing their unique communication journeys.
- Explore our questions and dilemmas: Get fresh perspectives and support from the group.
- Foster meaningful connections: Network with like-minded professionals tackling the same work as you.

Together, we'll explore comms challenges, celebrate wins, and even vent (because we know a good vent can lead to valuable learning!). The first topic we'll explore is: **Should we make a statement?** Activists often face pressure to respond to current events, but how do we determine when to speak out and when to stay silent? Join this session to engage in a thoughtful discussion with others!

Your hosts will guide the conversations in English. Take this opportunity to connect with fellow activists, grow your skills, and find solidarity in shared experiences.

The groups are planned on:

- 1. February 26, Wednesday, 12:00 CET. **Should we make a statement?** How do we determine when to speak out and when to stay silent? <u>Register for the first meeting</u>.
- 2. May 28, Wednesday, 12:00 CEST. Register for the second meeting.
- 3. September 24, Wednesday, 12:00 CEST
- 4. November 26, Wednesday, 12:00 CET