

# Joint Statement: Deletion of equality principle from the EC proposal of CPR

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**Nine civil society organisations – including ILGA-Europe – have written to the Council of the European Union, the Commission and the European Parliament on the deletion of the equality principle from the European Commission draft proposal of the CPR and the exclusion of the references to accessibility for persons with disabilities in the draft European Social Fund+.**

“We regret to hear that the equality principle has been deleted from the European Commission draft proposal of the CPR and that references to accessibility for persons with disabilities have not been included in the draft European Social Fund+ regulation.

It is within the EU funding principles to promote equality between women and men and combat all forms of discriminations.

We call for a horizontal principle on promotion of equality between men and women, accessibility for persons with disabilities and non-discrimination to be included in the Common Provisions Regulation (CPR) 2021-2027 and in all Funds specific regulations as it is now article 7 of the CPR 1303/2013. The principle should be taken into account and promoted throughout the preparation and implementation of programmes, including in relation to monitoring, reporting and evaluation.”

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