

Rainbow Family Rights in Europe – Part 4: At a Crossroads in Ukraine

This podcast was recorded almost a year before the February 2022 Russian invasion of Ukraine. It charts the situation for rainbow family rights in the country at the time.

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Several pathways for partnership rights were part of the Ukraine took in EU-Ukraine Association agreement 2014-2016.

Based on it the Ukrainian government developed a human rights strategy plan 2013-2019 which included specific commitments to LGBT rights, but many elements of this strategy were not implemented, and civil partnership was dropped from it. However, post-revolution and against the backdrop of Russia's ongoing military intervention, it is a crossroads time for LGBTI and partnership rights in the country.

In the fourth part of our mini-series on rainbow family rights, during which we we're looking at the issues affecting LGBTI partners, parents and their children across Europe, we are joined by activists Olena Shevchenko, from the Kyiv-based organisation, Insight and Andriy Maymulakhin, from Nash Mir in the city of Luhansk, about the outlook for partnership rights in Ukraine.