



# Lithuanian Gay League (LGL)

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## Annual Report for 2010-2011

### I. About LGL

Lithuanian Gay League (LGL) is a national non-profit, non-governmental organization which advocates for the rights of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual, and transgender individuals in Lithuania against homophobia, discrimination and social exclusion. LGL has been in existence since 1993 and was officially registered by the Ministry of Justice in Lithuania in 1995, making it one of the oldest NGOs in the country. It is also a member of the International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA) since 1994, and a coordinator for sexual orientation ground in national Diversity and Equality Forum.

Through education, support, representation of LGBT community and international collaboration, LGL envisions a respectful, open, and inclusive Lithuanian society. LGL works to make this vision a reality, focusing on issues such as:

- equal rights and equal opportunities
- employment and issues of inequality at the workplace
- social inclusion
- family rights and health
- empowerment of organizations members and encouragement of society groups to participate in organization's activities
- organization's competence and capacity building.

The supreme administrative body is the LGL general assembly, which passes the regulations of organization, elects board members, and decides on the essential issues of organization's activities. The board is a continually functioning body of organization, preparing our activity plan, structuring the organization's budget, and representing LGL with public institutions, NGOs, etc. Our current board consists of 10 persons, from which a chairman is elected.

LGL is running LGBT support and information centre in capital Vilnius since 2004. During 2010 over 50 different events which attracted around 1000 participants took place in LGBT centre. Within the centre various groups are established, also **internet café "Rainbow"** and **library** are open for visitors.

LGL also includes **Youth Group**, which unites young LGBT persons aged up to 27 years. The Group is engaged in educational activities, e.g. publishing materials, building websites, etc. ; supports peers (through help line, support groups, coming out groups) ; joins different social activities, e.g. sports, movie screenings, discussions, etc. ; learns and is having fun together, e.g. camping, participating in various youth activities at home and abroad ; also cooperates with other European LGBT youth organizations/groups or networks.



**Homozigotai (Homozygotes)** is an LGL group uniting homosexual couples/families in Lithuania, established in the spring of 2004. This group concentrates on developing mean of communication, socializing between homosexual couples in Lithuania, and communicating with other similar groups/associations abroad.

Also a Sports Fan Club (SMK) group is established within organization. It gathers LGBT and other friendly people who enjoy sports as their leisure. The group meets every Saturday for basketball and other sports.

Our international collaborations, trainings, and research were based on good practice methods, involving research and training in Stockholm with RFSL, establishing a working group for partners in ILGA-Europe, and hosting an international conference.



## II. Ongoing and implemented projects (2010-2011)

### Partnership for Equal Rights

**Period: 2009-2010 (12 months)**



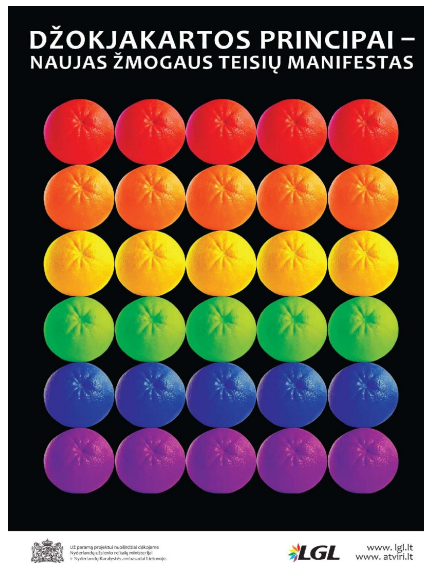
The overall aim of the project was to promote human rights, equal opportunities, social inclusion and health among LGBT community in Lithuania. The more specific aim was to strengthen the capacity of LGL through sharing of best practices, training by and cooperation with RFSL in Sweden.

Project consisted of 2 props:

- Strengthen the community through information and support centre in Vilnius (10 seminars on topics: Social policy, Health, Education, Culture, Media, City for you, Law, Youth, Sport, Seniors);
- International collaboration, trainings and research based on good practice:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> step: research based on good practice, training in Stockholm - visiting RFSL, meeting with representatives of state institutions in Vilnius;
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> step: working group for partners in ILGA-Europe conference in Valeta;
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> step: final International Conference in Vilnius.

More at: [http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/partnership\\_for\\_equal\\_rights/2397](http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/partnership_for_equal_rights/2397)

## Yogyakarta Principles - a new tool for human rights Period: 2009-2010 (12 months)



The specific objective of this project was to empower and build the capacity of LGL as well as other national human rights NGOs to advocate for the improvement of the legal and social position of LGBT people by introducing the Yogyakarta Principles as a new tool of change.

Activities of this project included three main components:

- Awareness-raising: the targets of the awareness-raising in this project were different stakeholders, such as legal practitioners, government administrations, police, educators and civil society actors. Main products of this component will be the Guide (booklet) and poster of 1,000 copies that give advice on how to prevent discrimination.
- Advocacy at the national / regional levels: the second publication - a Lithuanian version of the Yogyakarta Principles brochure of 1,000 copies was produced and distributed to politicians, civil society, media, educational professionals and legal practitioners. LGL organized 2 1-day seminars at the national level (in Vilnius) for key professional groups: journalists, psychologists, civil society leaders and educational workers. The project coordinators conducted three workshops in other three towns in Lithuania.
- Advocacy at the European level: the project was seeking that human rights violations against LGBT people in Lithuania would be mentioned in reports of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe monitoring reports, statements by the Council of Europe's Human Rights Commissioner, EU human rights dialogues, etc.

More at: [http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/the\\_yogyakarta\\_principles\\_a\\_new\\_tool\\_for\\_human\\_rights/2416](http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/the_yogyakarta_principles_a_new_tool_for_human_rights/2416)

## Baltic Pride 2010 Vilnius

**Period: 2010 (5 months)**



The Baltic Pride event was an unique opportunity for human rights defenders across Europe to get together and discuss common problems and challenges, share experiences and best practices on tackling discrimination and advancing equality and human rights for LGBT people, as well as celebrating achievements.

Baltic Pride 2010 in Vilnius, Lithuania which took place on 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> May 2010 brought together LGBT community and members of other groups of society from the whole Europe, participants from different NGOs and political and legacy institutions as well. It encouraged intercultural debate among participants, promoted a European discourse of tolerance based on the generation of coexistence and respect arguments, recognition of the difference and preventing European citizenship from any kind of discrimination attitudes, discourses and stereotypes.

Throughout the week 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> of May numerous events took place. Main focus was held on the awareness raising regarding discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation, the causes and consequences of homophobia.

- Film Festival Baltic Pride 2010 Vilnius was held on 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> May in cinema centre "Skalvija", Vilnius.
- Photo exhibition "27 picture of Pride" was on exposition from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> May.
- During 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of May active political discussions, cultural events, a social program and march for equality gathered hundreds of people from Lithuania and abroad. The international human rights conference took place on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> May at the Vilnius Conti hotel. Around 200 participants from all Europe participated. The topic of the discussion was „Human Rights Combating Fear and Prejudice“.
- The march for equality in central Vilnius took place on Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> of May. Around 500 participants attended the event.

More at: <http://www.balticpride.eu/>



## EQUAL JUS - European network for the legal support of LGBT rights

**Period: 2010-2011, ongoing (18 months)**



The project EQUAL JUS – European network for the legal support of LGBT rights, partly financed by the EU Commission under the Programme “Fundamental Rights and Citizenship 2007-2013” seeks to combat homophobia and transphobia by moving from a general analysis of the fundamental rights as recognized by and within the EU and aims at reaching an increasing awareness among people that European citizenship includes a new dimension for protection of fundamental rights and a push for social inclusion of all individuals. Project aims at promoting, guaranteeing and sustaining LGBT rights, through the elaboration of legal tools, vocational training and communication.

The partners of the Equal Jus Project are the University of Udine – Department of Legal Sciences (Italy) to-gether with Avvocatura per i diritti LGBT (Italy, leading partner), IMED Istituto per il Mediterraneo (Italy), KPH Kampania Przeciw Homofobii (Poland), Réseau d'aide aux victimes d'agression et de discrimination (RAVAD) (France), Lithuanian Gay League (LGL) (Lithuania), SOS - Homophobie (France), Haute Autorité de Lutte contre les Discriminations et pour l'Égalité (HALDE) (France, Associate partner).

More at: [http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/equal\\_jus/news/3161](http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/equal_jus/news/3161);  
<http://equal-jus.eu/>

## Promoting Legal Support for LGBT Rights in Lithuania

**Period: 2009-2011, ongoing (24 months)**

The overall aim of the two year project is to ensure democracy and rule of law, promote human rights, acceptance and non-discrimination among LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) community in Lithuania. The more specific aim is to create a national network for the legal support of LGBT rights and boost its advocacy efforts.

Project activities and outcomes will be based on three main pillars:

- Advocacy and case-promoting: legal advice to LGBT community members, anonymous online and interactive consultation to members of LGBT community on concrete discrimination cases on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity (including multiple discrimination cases if applicable), followed (if needed) by case-bringing legal support to LGBT community members, etc.
- Awareness raising (improving level of legal competence among stakeholders and members of LGBT community): production of legal manual for practitioners, 3 legal trainings, etc.
- Monitoring, reporting and documentation: developed legal database, collection of legislation and case-law from Lithuania on LGBT issues and subsequent translation to English; acquisitions of legal publications on LGBT issues and creation of a freely accessible library/archive covering legislation, case law and scholarly literature as well as establishment of a library of hard copy items, etc.

More at (in Lithuanian only):

[http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/teisines\\_paramos\\_didinimas\\_lgbt\\_teisems\\_lietuvoje/apie\\_projekta/2134](http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/teisines_paramos_didinimas_lgbt_teisems_lietuvoje/apie_projekta/2134)



## Empowering Women: education and advocacy for the rights of lesbian and bisexual women

Period: 2010 – 2011, ongoing (12 months)



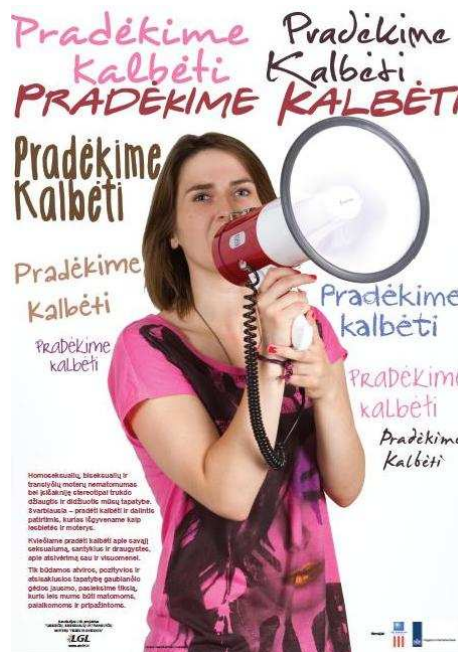
The overall aim of this project is to raise public awareness on lesbians and bisexual women's rights and needs and to reduce social exclusion of lesbian and bisexual women in the society in Lithuania. The project is designed to operate on two levels simultaneously. On one hand, we hope to increase visibility of the needs of the lesbian and bisexual community; on the other hand, we want to provide the education for this community and fellow human rights activists, on how to advocate for the rights of lesbian and bisexual women.

This project focuses on advocacy for lesbian and bisexual women's rights, improvement of mental, sexual, and reproductive health care for lesbian and bisexual women.

More at: [http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/empowering\\_women/3659](http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/empowering_women/3659)

## EVS project „Moving forward for Diversity”

Period: 2010-2011, ongoing (12 months)



Project "Moving forward for diversity" is implemented in the framework of *Youth in Action Programme, Action 2. – European Voluntary Service*. An overall objective of the project "Moving forward for diversity" is to bring together LGL knowledge, views with volunteer's ideas, initiatives in developing new tools for overcoming homophobia and social exclusion of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people in

Lithuania and Europe.

The project aims to:

- Develop new means, approaches and methods of work with local LGBT youth community
- Strengthen and developing international cooperation and communication
- Encourage active participation of young LGBT persons in organizations activities
- Facilitate a learning process for the volunteer to develop practical skills, acquire knowledge, express own ideas

## The Changing Face of the LGBT Movement in Lithuania: Baltic Pride's influence on the Promotion of Human Rights

**Period : 2011–2012 (11 months)**



This project will document the changing representations of LGBT individuals within the media since Baltic Pride in Vilnius, as this representation within the media has a direct influence on public opinion and how society views and treats LGBT individuals.

After collecting images, words and sounds in order to build an archive of information and documentation regarding how the media represented and responded to Baltic Pride and other LGBT issues within the last year, a report will be written and published as an updated picture of the current situation. Then it will be shared with politicians, lawyers, and advocates, highlighting the implications that the media's presentation of LGBT issues has on the legal process. This new analysis of this information will be strong evidence which LGL can use for lobbying for freedom of speech, assembly, and expression in the future.





## Destination – Equal Rights

**Period: 2011–2012 (12 months)**

An overall objective of this project is to combine knowledge and experience of LGL with volunteers' fresh ideas and creative initiatives in order to develop new tools for overcoming homophobia and social exclusion both in Lithuania and Europe. Volunteering will be achieved through assistance with LGL's international projects, involvement in administrative tasks related to ongoing projects, support to the work of the Coordinator of LGL Youth Group, and also communication using various tools (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, blogs, YouTube channel, LGL's websites, newsletters ect.) and coordination in the organization of Baltic Pride 2012 in Riga.

Project's aims are to:

- Develop new means, approaches and methods of work with local LGBT youth community
- Strengthen and developing international cooperation and communication
- Encourage active participation of young LGBT persons in organizations activities
- Facilitate a learning process for the volunteers developing practical skills, acquiring knowledge, expressing own ideas

LGL will also take part to the "Grundtvig Programme: Beyond Borders" which aims to develop adult educational strategies for the social inclusion of LGBT people from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds (including migrants) in order to fight against issues of racism, homophobia, transphobia, intersectional discrimination (against individuals perceived as belonging to more than one disadvantaged group) and social exclusion. In collaboration with five other European organizations, LGL will exchange good practise examples of multi-strand and intersectional equalities work and network with local LGBT, race and migrant organisations. As a result of this project a multilingual best practice blog for LGBT activists will be developed, with a focus on advocating strategies for combating racism, transphobia, homophobia and intersectional discrimination.

Other and former projects of LGL can be found at : <http://www.lgl.lt/projektaie.php>



### III. Advocacy and Litigation

#### Advocacy for Trans Rights

**January, 19<sup>th</sup> 2010**

LGL sent a letter to the Lithuanian Equal Opportunities Ombudsman Office in order to promote the enforcement of gender equality and anti-discrimination legislation at national level. More specifically, LGL urged the Ombudsman to:

- Be pro-active in enforcing anti-discrimination legislation to improve trans equality and human rights
- Monitor the implementation of case-law and gender equality legislation vis-à-vis trans people
- Include trans people in gender mainstreaming measures
- Produce guidance on trans-rights and equality
- Support trans people in taking forward cases of discrimination to courts and/or respective entities
- Make sure that future gender equality legislation expressly includes gender identity and gender expression
- Research, collect and publish data on trans equality and human rights issues
- Consult and involve trans equality and rights organisations in national gender equality and human rights policy development

#### Legal debate with the Equal Opportunities Ombudsman Office to the Supreme Administrative Court of Lithuania

**April, 7<sup>th</sup> 2010**

LGL founded its complaint in appeal on the violation of articles 5 and 12 of the Law on Equal Opportunities. LGL had contacted the Ombudsman in order to complain about the prohibition of events aimed at the promotion of anti-discrimination by the Vilnius Authorities and it had not received any reply.

In particular, LGL claimed that the Mayor of Vilnius Juozas Imbrasas was publicly encouraging the discrimination of an individual social group through his statements on TV about the arrival of the Tolerance Truck to Vilnius.

Furthermore the organisation denounces the Vilnius City Municipal Government Council's resolution (No. 1-582 of July, 16<sup>th</sup> 2008) which states that "a decision may be taken to refuse to issue a permit for events, which, in the opinion of the police or of the commission, may result in riots or if such events, due to their nature, may lead to a negative public reaction or resistance, or objective data or other information about possible violations has been received [...]". LGL considers that this statement violates the freedom of assembly and expression while forcing peaceful and pro-equality events to be held in closed spaces.

## Complaints on the incitement to violence and hatred (prevention of hate crime)

**April, 22<sup>nd</sup> 2010**

LGL filed a complaint to the Prosecutor General's Office about the incitement to violence and hatred against LGBT pride organizers and participants on the internet blog [www.blogorama.lt](http://www.blogorama.lt).

In the article named "Video lessons – How faggots are stopped" unknown author made video entries which were named as educational materials: 1. How Serbians dealt with perverts in Belgrade; 2. How Russians stopped unauthorized rally of faggots in Moscow centre. These two videos showed how violence was used towards homosexual people groups gathered for peaceful march and rally.

LGL turned to Prosecutor General's Office asking to investigate if these actions of unknown author violated Article 169 "Discrimination on Grounds of Nationality, Race, Sex, Descent, Religion or Belonging to Other Groups" and Article 170 "Incitement against Any National, Racial, Ethnic, Religious or Other Group of Persons" on Lithuanian Criminal Code.

Division of Special investigations at the Prosecutor General's Office started pretrial investigation (registered number 01-2-00079-10) on violation of Article 170 "Incitement against Any National, Racial, Ethnic, Religious or Other Group of Persons" on Lithuanian Criminal Code on April 28, 2010.

On June 3, 2010 LGL was informed that all procedural decisions of the investigation of actions of author who was already identified, will be also sent to Chief Prosecutor of the Division of Special investigations at the Prosecutor General's Office.

## Baltic pride Pro-Equality march case

**May 2010**



LGL has taken an important part to the legal proceedings about the holding of the Pro-Equality Parade (or Baltic Pride Parade) on May, 8<sup>th</sup> 2010, in collaboration with Amnesty International.

Indeed, the organisation of the event had been permitted by Vilnius municipality in January, 26<sup>th</sup> 2010 ("order No 40-55 of 26 January 2010 of the head of Vilnius City Municipal Government Administration on permission to organise the Pro-equality parade"), then one more time in April, 23<sup>th</sup> 2010 ("order No 40-352").



In March, 10<sup>th</sup> 2010 Petras Gražulis gathered 53 signatures for a petition to ban the event as violating the "Law on Detrimental Effect of Public Information on Minors" which entered into force in March, 1<sup>st</sup> 2010. This petition has been considered as having no legal basis by the Lithuania's Prosecutor General's Office, according to national legislation and international conventions.

However Raimondas Petrauskas, Lithuania's Interim Attorney General and Stanislovas Buškevičius, member of the Kaunas City Council, applied to Vilnius County Administrative Court in order one more time to ban the parade under the pretext of potential security risks. The Court ruled in May, 5<sup>th</sup> 2010, i.e. 3 days before the holding of the event, that the Parade "could provoke unrest among residents of the Republic of Lithuania" and "would cause a lot of intense harm to values that families in the Republic of Lithuania hold dear, including morals, fidelity, fertility and human dignity", and suspended the permissive orders.

Then followed an appeal procedure by LGL through its members to the Supreme Administrative Court of Lithuania based on the fact that this ruling went against the freedom of assembly and expression. The Supreme Court finally overturned it according to European legislation (on freedom of expression and assembly as on duty for States to ensure security for peaceful assemblies) in May, 7<sup>th</sup> 2010, so that the event occurred at the right date.

More information in Lithuanian at: <http://www.lvat.lt/lvat.aspx>

## Collaboration with ILGA-Europe

### **March 2011**

LGL, which closely works with ILGA-Europe, has been a stakeholder and a partner of two actions led in March 2010.

The first one has been the preparation of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) 12<sup>th</sup> session of the United Nations Human Rights Council. In the documents sent, the two organisations provide a picture of the situation of LGBT people and their Human Rights in Lithuania.

The second action has been a document delivery, as well as other European co-submitters (Arcigay (Italy), Casal Lambda (Catalonia/Spain), ILGA-Portugal (Portugal), Labris (Serbia), Lesbian Group Kontra and Iskorak (Croatia), Kaos GL, Pembe Hayat and Izmir Black Pink Triangle (Turkey), Mozaika (Latvia), RFSL (Sweden), SETA (Finland), SKUC-LL (Slovenia)), to ILGA-Europe in order to prepare the OSCE/ODIHR 2009 Hate Crimes reports. This report is constituted by data on homophobic and transphobic incidents recorded and some press releases.



## Meetings with representatives of the US State Department and Commissioner Reding

**May-June-July 2011**



The first meeting took place in May, 17<sup>th</sup> 2011 at the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (IDAHO). LGL founders were present together with representatives of ILGA-Europe, Kaisa (Finnish national) and Richard Köhler from Transgender Europe to meet Viviane Reding, Vice-President of the European Commission and Commissioner for Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship. She reminded her concern towards the issues of LGBT people in Lithuania and said she was personally attentive to the process. She also expressed her interest for trans issues and assured she would be inclined to consider it.

The next meeting was held in Vilnius by the U.S. Secretary of State with the title „Human Rights and Democracy Working Group of the Strategic Dialogue with Civil Society“ in the framework of „Community of Democracies“. LGL responded to the invitation in order one more time to expose particular issues of LGBT community in Lithuania and its advocacy for Human Rights.

The last meeting occurred at the LGBT center of Vilnius with renewed participation of the U.S. Secretary of State representatives. This meeting has also been attended by MP Aušrinė Pavilionienė, the Lithuanian Center for Human Rights and the Tolerant Youth.

## Participation in the drafting of a report for the UN Human Right Council **July, 22<sup>nd</sup> 2011**

LGL has been a provider of information and a privileged contributor to the work of the Human Rights Council of the United Nations Organisation carried out in July, 22<sup>nd</sup> 2011. As a stakeholder in Joint Submissions (JS) 3, 4 and 5, it helped to draw a picture of Lithuanian legal framework.

First JS 5 considered that the controversial Article 39 of the 2010 Law on Provision of Public Information “obviously meant to restrict information and “promotion” of homosexual relationships” and recommended its withdrawal from Lithuanian legislation. JS 3 then noted the lack of medical and administrative assistance for gender reassignment. It also underlined a discriminatory conception of family as “married heterosexual couple with children” in 2008 Conceptual Framework for National Family Policy. Thus other family structures, especially homosexual couples, still cannot be registered through a civil partnership.

Moreover, JS 5 regarded that the 2010 legislative amendments to the Code on Administrative Offense aimed to criminalize “promotion of homosexual relations in public places” and it called for a constructive public and political debate on the rights of LGBT people”. It furthermore alluded to the 2010 petition signed by 53 MPs (out of 141) in order to ban the LGBT Pride event as violating the 2010 Law on the Protection of Minors against the Detrimental Effect of Public Information, as well as the legal proceedings which followed it (see hereinafter). JS 5 then urged Lithuania to respect the rights of assembly and freedom and to provide protection from homophobic violence.

More information at: [www.ohchr.org](http://www.ohchr.org)



## Constitution and Development of a network of lawyers

The project has been established during the period November 2009 - March 2010. It consists in the regular meeting of a group of 6 lawyers from NGOs and academic sector focusing on LGBT issues. This network aims to give legal advice and support to LGBT community members.

As well, several legal seminars have been held in Kaunas (June, 18<sup>th</sup> 2010) and Vilnius (February, 19<sup>th</sup> 2010; June, 28<sup>th</sup> 2010; October, 22<sup>nd</sup> 2010; February, 11<sup>th</sup> 2011). Lectures have been given by lawyers and lecturers for example from Mykolas Romeris University or the Human Rights Monitoring Institute. The topics covered were theory and practise of the antidiscrimination law, strategic litigation and legal mechanisms in protecting LGBT Rights. During these seminars publications have also been presented, as the guide "Feel safe – you are protected by the law" or "The Yogyakarta Principles – a new tool for Human Rights".





## IV. Publications

A large majority of online publications of LGL can be found at :

In Lithuanian : [http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/asociacija\\_lgl/leidiniai/1367](http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/asociacija_lgl/leidiniai/1367)

In English : <http://www.atviri.lt/index.php/lgl/publications/1661>

As well, LGL's newsletters are regularly produced and sent to around 3000 subscribers, including, among others, MEPs, embassies in Vilnius, Council of Europe, UN, media, ministries, etc.

- One guide " Feel Safe - You are Protected by Law" has been produced. It gives advice on how to prevent discrimination against individuals on grounds of sexual orientation in accessing services and public functions. It aims to advance the elimination of discrimination against individuals on grounds of sexual orientation and to encourage good practice. It has been handed out in bars, clubs and student unions, and it is as well available online.

[http://www.atviri.lt/uploads/files/dir70/dir3/2\\_0.php](http://www.atviri.lt/uploads/files/dir70/dir3/2_0.php)

- Some other documents can be found on other platforms: at [www.equal-jus.eu](http://www.equal-jus.eu), you can find three publications which have been realised in collaboration with LGL's partners on Equal Jus project :

The first one, called [Heading in the Right Direction](#), is addressed directly to LGBT people. It gives clear explanations on the EU running, binding laws and jurisprudence cases in order to make people aware of the tools that they can use to defend their rights. It also stresses the importance that each LGBT citizen should be active in this advocacy.

A second document, the [Handbook on the protection of LGBT people](#), is intended to persons or bodies specifically interested in the protection of LGBT rights, such as NGOs or employers. Attached to the assistance of LGBT people facing homophobia and discrimination, it presents samples of "Good practices" realized by governmental and non-governmental bodies and analysed by the Fundamental Rights Agency, as well as a list of some supporting organizations in European countries.

[The Equal Jus Legal Handbook to LGBT Rights in Europe](#) finally is especially dedicated to lawyers in order for them to take into account legislation and case-law on the international, European and national levels. Thus the document inventories bodies which have been legislating on LGBT rights issues, as well as jurisprudential precedents on diverse legal topics such as discrimination in family life, employment, freedom of assembly and expression, etc.

- Translation of the Yogyakarta Principles. The specific objective was to empower and build the capacity of national lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) organisation LGL as well as other national human rights NGOs to advocate for the improvement of the legal and social position of LGBT people by introducing these Principles as a new tool for change. The publication has led to several seminars in February and June 2010.

[http://www.atviri.lt/uploads/files/dir68/dir3/11\\_0.php](http://www.atviri.lt/uploads/files/dir68/dir3/11_0.php)

- Participation to the realization of the Rainbow Europe Map for ILGA-Europe, available at :

<http://www.ilga-europe.org/>

## V. Financial Report

### Sources of Funding:

SOURCES	GRANTED in USD	DECISION DATE	PROJECT END DATE
Fundamental Rights and Citizenship Programm 2008, "EQUAL-JUS European network for the legal support of LGBT Rights"	\$57.600	01/12/2009	31/05/2011
OSI support foundation, "Promoting Legal Support for LGBT Rights in Lithuania" (Grant Number 20027377)	\$120.000	01/11/2009	01/11/2011
The Netherlands Embassy, "Education and advocacy for the rights of lesbians and bisexual women" (LT/MRF/013/10)	\$14.000	01/12/2010	01/12/2011
U.S. Embassy, "Empowering women to advocate for lesbians and bisexual women rights" (S-LH500-11-GR0030)	\$10.000	04/04/2011	04/04/2012
Human Rights Violations Documentation Fund, ILGA-Europe, (C08-1)	\$7.193	16/05/2011	30/04/2012
The Netherlands Embassy (LT/MRF/005/11)	\$4.316	16/05/2011	30/05/2012
The Flemish Representation at Belgian Embassy in Warsaw	\$4.316	16/05/2011	30/05/2012
EU Youth Programme, EVS project 2010 "Moving forward for diversity" (LT-21-36-2010-R4)	\$12.369	01/11/2010	30/11/2011
EU Youth Programme, EVS project 2011 "Destination-Equal Rights" (LT-21-25-2011-R3)	\$19.163	11/12/2011	12/09/2012
Grundtvig project "Beyond borders -sharing knowledge and strategies on improving support and social inclusion for culturally diverse LGBT people living in Europe" (LLP-GRU-MP-2011-LT-00133)	\$22.300	01/08/2011	31/08/2013
National Anti-Discrimination Programme "Anti-discrimination Forum"	\$5.833	01/09/11	31/12/11
<b>TOTAL USD :</b>	<b>277.090</b>		

## VI. Balance Statement

<b>2011.04.06</b> (date of financial accountability)				
<b>2005.01.01 -            2009.12.31</b>		Litas, (1 EUR = 3,4528 Lt)		
No.	Article	Comment No.	Financial Year	in EUR
<b>A.</b>	<b>LONG-TERM ASSETS</b>		<b>5.732</b>	<b>1.659,96</b>
I.	INTANGIBLE ASSETS		1.385	401,10
1.	Patents, licenses		0	0,00
2.	Software products		1.385	401,10
3.	Other intangible assets		0	0,00
II.	TANGIBLE ASSETS		4.347	1.258,86
1.	Land		0	0,00
2.	Buildings		0	0,00
3.	Machines and facility		0	0,00
4.	Vehicles		0	0,00
5.	Other facilities		0	0,00
6.	Unfinished construction		0	0,00
7.	Other tangible assets		4.347	1.258,86
III.	Financial assets		0	0,00
1.	Sums to be got per year		0	0,00
2.	Other financial assets		0	0,00
<b>B.</b>	<b>SHORT-TERM ASSETS</b>		<b>137.287</b>	<b>39.761,15</b>
I.	RESERVES, PREPAYMENTS AND UNFINISHED IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENTS		302	87,47
1.	RESERVES, PREPAYMENTS AND UNFINISHED IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENTS		0	0,00
2.	Prepayments		302	87,47
2.1	Prepayments for suppliers		302	87,47
2.2	Costs for further period		0	0,00
2.3	Unfinished implementation agreements		0	0,00
II.	SUMS TO BE GOT PER YEAR		1.040	301,11
1.	Buyers debt		327	94,80
2.	Other sums got		712	206,31
III.	OTHER CURRENT ASSETS		0	0,00
1.	Short-term investment		0	0,00
2.	Fixed-date deposit		0	0,00
3.	Other current assets		0	0,00
IV.	MONEY AND THEIR EQUIVALENT		135.946	39.372,58
			<b>143.019</b>	<b>41.421,11</b>
<b>C.</b>	<b>EQUITY CAPITAL</b>		<b>-83.443</b>	<b>-24.166,83</b>
I.	CAPITAL		0	0,00



II.	RESERVE REVALUATION		0	0,00
III.	OTHER RESERVES		0	0,00
IV.	ACTIVITY OUTCOME		-83.443	-24.166,83
1.	Financial year activity outcome		-83.443	-24.166,83
2.	Last year activity outcome		0	0,00
<b>D.</b>	<b>FINANCING</b>		<b>188.034</b>	<b>54.458,38</b>
1.	Subsidy		0	0,00
2.	Objective contribution		173.261	50.179,79
3.	Member fees		0	0,00
4.	Other financing		14.773	4.278,59
<b>E.</b>	<b>PAYABLE SUMS AND COMMITMENTS</b>		<b>38.428</b>	<b>11.129,56</b>
I.	LONG-TERM COMMITMENTS		0	0,00
1.	Financial debts		0	0,00
2.	Other long-term commitments		0	0,00
II.	SHORT-TERM COMMITMENTS		38.428	11.129,56
1.	Long-term debts part for current year		0	0,00
2.	Financial debts		31.668	9.171,69
3.	Debts to suppliers		6.803	1.970,22
4.	Prepayments gotten		0	0,00
5.	Commitments related to employment		-41	-11,87
6.	Other short-term commitments		-2	-0,47
	<b>EQUITY CAPITAL, FINANCING AND COMMITMENTS IN TOTAL</b>		<b>143.019</b>	<b>41.421,10</b>

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