





# Writing for diversity LGBTQ issues in cross-border journalism



#### **Our mission is:**

- To promote cross-border collaboration between journalists and LGBTQ activists from Germany, Moldova and Ukraine
- To strengthen civil society work in the fields of LGBTQ, human rights, feminism and the prevention of discrimination
- To increase public awareness of LGBTQ issues by means of stories which need to be told
- To have a good time whilst expanding your knowledge during our meetings, workshops and formats of exchanges of experiences

## Your part in our project:

Would you like to carry out research on the topics of diversity and LGBTQ, working together with colleagues from Germany, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine, and to publish your contributions in an English speaking, civic society environment? This project offers you lots of opportunities! We put you in contact with exciting actors and NGOs from the partner countries and support you in your research through our contacts and networks. Workshops, lectures and network meetings offer you the basis for familiarising yourself with LGBTQ issues in the partner countries and for you to expand your personal networks and contacts.

After completion of the project, we expect you to publish at least one journalistic article on the home page of the **Gender Z** and **GENDERDOC-M NGOs** – further research and publications via other media channels are also desired.

We plan to award the three best contributions with an amount up to 300 €.

# Our project activities:

June 2021. The project begins: Please take the time, from 4pm to 7pm (Berlin time) every Thursday in June 2021, to take part in our workshops, lectures, network meetings and formats for the exchange of information among colleagues.

From July 2021, you will have time for your own research, portraits, documentation and interviews. We will support you, as and when needed, by means of our community management, for example, in your search for interview partners and other contacts.

**Simultaneously, in autumn 2021**, we will be offering an optional programme consisting of, inter alia, readings, background discussions, digital museum visits and lectures. If you wish, you are welcome to contribute and join in with a lecture or a presentation on your ongoing research.

**On Human Rights Day (10th December 2021),** we will present all the published contributions – a jury will then award the three best research projects.

#### Who can apply?

The project is aimed at journalists, activists, representatives from NGOs and bloggers who enjoy researching LGBTQ topics and exchanging information with colleagues. You should come either from Germany, Ukraine or the Republic of Moldova. You can be a freelancer, or work for a particular media.

### How do I apply?

Until 26th April 2021, you should apply with your:

- **1. Letter of motivation** please, briefly explain why you are interested in the program. Please also tell us your journalist/blogger/activist's background here.
- 2. Brief outline of the idea for your research project what topic around LGBTQ issues you are willing to investigate, in what format, maybe with rough ideas of who you would like to interview or to find for taking part in it.
- 3. Curriculum Vitae

Your application must be submitted in English.

Your application should be submitted via mail. Should you have any question or need more information, please contact:

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