

# Manifesto 2024



## For the Full Equality of Rights and Duties of LGBTI People in Europe

In the vibrant heart of Europe, where liberty and equality are not just ideals but a lived reality, the Rainbow Liberal Manifesto 2024 emerges as a clarion call for unyielding commitment to LGBTI rights. Fueled by a liberal spirit that has historically ignited transformative change, we stand at a critical juncture, poised to shape a future where every individual—regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or expression—lives freely, equally, and safely. As staunch champions of freedom of assembly and speech, we advocate for a Europe where LGBTI events flourish unhindered, where open dialogue thrives without inciting hate, and where controversial views are met with conversation, not censorship. This manifesto is more than a document; it's a declaration of our unwavering resolve to build a Europe that celebrates diversity and individual freedom as its greatest strengths.

#### Family Equality, No Borders

Your family's rights should not stop at a border. We demand immediate, universal recognition of same-sex marriages and parenthood across all EU countries if they are certified in another Member State. If consensus falters, we will push for enhanced cooperation to ensure your family is respected everywhere.

#### Reproductive Freedom, No Exceptions

Your body, your freedom—everywhere in the EU. Engage in legal reproductive practices like egg donation or surrogacy in one country, and that choice is honoured in all. No penalties, no questions, just respect.

#### Equal Treatment, No Half-Measures

We call for the fast-tracking of the Horizontal Equal Treatment Directive to guarantee robust equal rights for LGBTI individuals in every sphere of life.

#### A Bold EU LGBTI Strategy

We advocate for a groundbreaking EU LGBTI Strategy with clear, measurable commitments. This strategy will mainstream equality in all EU policies, legislation, and funding, holding Member States accountable for its full implementation.

#### 💙 Rule of Law, No Compromise

LGBTI rights are non-negotiable and must be integrated into all EU Rule of Law monitoring and Article 7 procedures. Your rights will be defended at the highest echelons of power.

#### Democracy, Civic Space & Rights, No Barriers

We are bolstering the Defence of Democracy Package to protect not just the pillars of democracy but also your civic freedoms. Human rights defenders will be shielded, public participation promoted, and Strategic Lawsuits Against LGBTI activists (SLAPP) stopped in their tracks. Your rights will be protected also by freezing EU payments to countries that violate LGBTI rights assured by the European Union.

#### 🧡 Asylum & Safety, No Questions

The EU will be a sanctuary for persecuted LGBTI, offering specialised legal counselling to uphold your individual right to asylum, even if you are from a formally 'safe' country.

### Global Rights, No Negotiation

The EU will leverage its economic might to demand global respect for LGBTI rights and decriminalisation of LGBTI lives. If the legal situation of LGBTI people worsens in a country outside of the EU, we will reassess and potentially severe financial ties and trade advantages. Positive legal actions will be rewarded in development cooperation.

#### Awareness & Funding, No Shortcuts

We will boost EU funding for initiatives and civil society organisations that raise LGBTI rights awareness and combat discrimination. This manifesto is our solemn promise that your rights, dignity, and freedom will always be our top priority. Together, let's build a Europe that does not just speak of diversity and equality but lives it every day.

