

Hate Crime within EU Legislation competencies

The Council of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) Party convening in Bratislava, Slovakia, on 2-3 December 2022:

Recognises:

- That following the shooting of Matus Horvath and Juraj Vankulic on 12th October 2022 at an LGBTQI+ venue in Bratislava, the gunman left a manifesto decrying the rights of the LGBTQI+ community, challenging the values of the EU as a whole;
- That following the tweet from Helena Dalli recognising the need for an EU wide strategy, the EU Council must ensure there is dedicated legislation with regards to LGBTQI+ hate crime and that to be supported across ALDE / RENEW parties;
- That following the example of the UK Equality Act 2000, which is referred to more often than to just specifically "hate crime" but also covers harassment, victimisation or bullying;
- That LGBTQI+ hate crimes are sadly mostly underreported because of the stigma and nervousness around the issue.
- That means there will be a requirement for education and awareness training to further strengthen our values, in which Rainbow Platform will perform an important advisory role.

Calls for:

- ALDE Party members to unreservedly support the need to create Europe wide legislation on LGBTQI+ hate crime and to pressure EU member states in the Council of Europe to hold to their international commitments enshrined in the European Convention on Human Rights;
- The ALDE Council to immediately take up the cause of the plight of LGBTQI+ people in Slovakia, recognising and finding ways to counter the threat of political rhetoric inciting violence and hate against the LGBTQI+ community, and intervene to raise awareness and support internationally for their situation.

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