

ICP-AGIR Best Practice for Toronto (Canada) / Frankfurt am Main (Germany)

Strategy Countering Anti-Queer Violence in Frankfurt am main	
	Frankfurt am Main (Germany)
Departments / Institutions involved	Department for Anti-Discrimination Frankfurt (Stabsstelle für Antidiskriminierung) Police Department City of Frankfurt
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Description of the best practice	Set up of a LGBTIQ* Coordination Committee to counter Anti-Queer Violence, together with Executive Department for Anti-Discrimination, the Police Department of the City of Frankfurt and civil society actors (Initiated by the Mayoress of Frankfurt and the President of the Police Department Frankfurt)
Theme and sub-theme if appropriate	Countering LGBTIQ* violence

Description of Best practice	
Challenge Addressed	To counter the rising queerphobic violence in the night-time economy in queer spaces, namely the "Bermuda Triangle" area, in the city of Frankfurt, the <i>Strategy LGBTIQ Coordination Committee</i> works together with the civil society, the Frankfurt City Council and the police to ensure that the strategies of safety, prevention, awareness concepts and empowerment are worked on.
Solution Implemented	The City of Frankfurt recognised that a more holistic approach was required to counter Anti-Queer Violence. The strategies of protection and security of the affected people also needed accompanying strategies of awareness raising of the issue and struggle for safe spaces for queer persons for the general public and empowerment of the affected groups. Therefore, alongside the quarterly meeting with the Mayoress of the City of Frankfurt, President of the Police Department of Frankfurt and civil society actors, a coordination of two working groups (1. protection and security and 2. awareness raising

	and empowerment) have been but in place and moderated by the Executive Department for Anti-Discrimination Frankfurt. The aim of the working groups is to work on concepts that increase the awareness of this issue, participation of the community and the wider society, protection and security and empowerment projects, such as organising the Pride Month that should take place every year from the Summer of 2023.
Partnerships	Partnership with 25 Organisations / Initiatives within the LGBTIQ* community or working on the intersection
Lessons Learned	Establishing a LGBTIQ* Coordination Committee requires a diverse range of groups of people and intersectional positionalities. Soon after setting up the committee, it was quickly recognised that the presence of more BIPOC persons is required to consider the intersection of "race" within the Queer communities and the role it plays in violence against many groups of Queer people. The Committee has committed to remaining semi-open in order to remain flexible to work with different topics that concern different groups of Queer people.
Main Milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establishing a LGBTIQ* Coordination Committee that meets once every quarter with the Mayoress and the Police President of Frankfurt, which is moderated by the Executive Department for Anti-Discrimination. - Establishing two working groups with members from the civil society, the police and the Department of Anti-discrimination: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Protection and Security (2) Awareness Raising and Empowerment

Materials for promotion	
Quote from city representative	N/A
Graphic Material	videos, images, documents
Online links	Links to websites, social media, etc