

COOPERATION WITH CIVIL SOCIETY AND DECISION-MAKERS TO GUARANTEE NO PERSON LEFT BEHIND WITHIN THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS FRAMEWORK

THE SITUATION IN SURINAME



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The situation in Suriname

Background

National legislation of Suriname:

Lawmaking framework of Suriname effectively protects and promotes the rights of all individuals regardless of their sexual orientation and gender identity.

According to the constitution of Suriname:

Art. 8, 175, 176 and art. 500.

SURINAME HAS RATIFIED INTERNATIONAL TREATIES FOR EXAMPLE, HUMAN RIGHTS LAW AND IS IMPLEMENTING THEM AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL.

THE IMPLEMENTATION IS AN COOPERATION WITH DIFFERENT MINISTRIES AND INSTITUTIONS, IN THIS:

- THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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- MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND POLICE
 - MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE
 - MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
 - STAKE HOLDERS ETC.

THE PGA NATIONAL GROUP IN PARLIAMENT WILL COOPERATE WITH:

- COMMISSION OF JUSTICE AND POLICE IN PARLIAMENT
- COMMISSION OF EDUCATION IN PARLIAMENT AND
- COMMISSION OF HEALTH IN PARLIAMENT

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- THE COMMITTEE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVENESS
 - THE LBGTI PLATFORM

THE PGA NATIONAL GROUP IN PARLIAMENT

PURPOSE:

- TO BUILD UP AND STIMULATE THE EFFORTS AND ENGAGEMENT WITHIN THE PARLIAMENT.
- LAWMAKING FRAMEWORK EFFECTIVELY PROTECTS AND PROMOTES THE RIGHTS OF ALL INDIVIDUALS, INCLUSIVE THE LBGTI GROUP.

FOCUS:

- HEARINGS WITH COMMUNITIES IN GOVERNMENT REGIONS AND CIVIL SOCIETY (PILOT PHASE).
- ADVOCATE WITH CIVIL SOCIETY AND WITH THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY TO INTRODUCE MORE LBGTI-FRIENDLY POLICIES.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- ROUNDTABLE ON EQUALITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION BASED ON SOGI (2015).
- DIALOGUE BETWEEN PARLIAMENTARIANS AND LGBTI CIVIL SOCIETY (2015).
- COLLECTIVE LABOR AGREEMENT (CAO'S)

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- INSTALLATION OF THE COMMITTEE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVENESS BY THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE.
- DISTRIBUTION OF THE HANDBOOK ENTITLED "ADVANCING THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND INCLUSION OF LGBTI PEOPLE"

THE **STATUS** OF THE LBGTI GROUP IN SURINAME IS IN GOOD TRACK:

- MEETING WITH THE COMMITTEE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVENESS, 14 MARCH 2017
- HEARINGS WITH PARLIAMENTARIANS ABOUT SOGI, IN MAY 2017

THE SURINAMESE PARLIAMENT:

- SHALL SUPPORT THE PLATFORMS OF LBGTI PEOPLE
- SHALL MAKE SURE THAT NO ONE LEFT BEHIND WITHIN THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS FRAMEWORK
- STRENGTHENING COOPERATION WITH CIVIL SOCIETY AND DECISION-MAKERS

Thank you!!



TILL NEXT MEETING