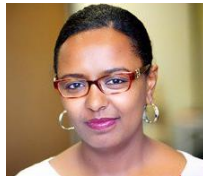


The International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association – ILGA and the International Service for Human Rights (ISHR) have compiled a series of factsheets highlighting the work that UN special procedures – independent human rights experts, appointed to monitor and report on human rights violations – have undertaken to defend the human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex (LGBTI) persons. The factsheets compile the references and recommendations made by these experts to LGBTI persons, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, and sex characteristics (SOGIESC). They cover all thematic reports, country visit reports, and communications sent to States between January 2011 and November 2018.



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## WORK SUMMARY

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### COUNTRIES VISITED

#### ADDRESSES SOGIESC ISSUES:

- **Chad** – (December 2017) Report, paras. 26, 61, 75o.
- **Samoa** – (August 2017) Report, paras. 35, 70, 97d.
- **Kuwait** – (December 2016) Report, paras. 35, 91.
- **Hungary** – (May 2016) Report, paras. 10, 12, 33, 68, 81, 95, 100d.
- **United States of America** – (November/December 2015) Report, paras. 18, 20, 63, 79, 87.
  - **Senegal** – (April 2015) Report, para. 83.
  - **Spain** – (December 2014) Report, paras. 21, 62.
- **Peru** – (September 2014) Report, paras. 14, 59, 80, 86d, 89l.
- **Chile** – (September 2014) Report, paras. 15, 69, 70.
- **China** – (December 2013) Report, paras. 77, 78, 110a.
  - **Iceland** – (May 2013) Report, paras. 24, 25.
- **Moldova** – (May 2012) Report, paras. 17, 21, 25, 58-60, 88, 89c.

#### DOES NOT ADDRESS SOGIESC ISSUES:

- Tunisia (January 2013)
- Morocco (February 2012)

### ANNUAL THEMATIC REPORTS

**Reasserting equality, countering rollbacks**  
June 2018 (38th Session Human Rights Council (HRC))

Brief reference to SOGII.  
(Mentioning participation of a WG member in the dialogue on SOGII between the IACHR, ACHPR and UN HR mechanisms.)  
Para. 5.

**Compendium of good practices in the elimination of discrimination against women**  
June 2017 (35th Session HRC)

Brief references to SO.  
(Intersectional discrimination and violence/case studies.)  
Paras. 41, 90.

**Eliminating discrimination against women in the area of health and safety, with a focus on the instrumentalization of women's bodies**  
June 2016 (32nd Session HRC)

Strong references to SOGI(E).  
(Criminalisation; humiliating treatment within the health-care system; intersectional discrimination; corrective rape; compulsory medical interventions; so-called "conversion therapy".)  
Paras. 17, 42, 58.

**Eliminating discrimination against women in cultural and family life, with a focus on the family as a cultural space**  
June 2015 (29th Session HRC)

Good references to lesbian, LBT, LGBTI.  
(Discrimination, violence and stigmatization in the context of cultural diversity/stereotypes; diverse families and LGBTI families.)  
Paras. 21, 23, 25, 46.

**Eliminating discrimination against women in economic and social life with a focus on economic crisis**

June 2014 (26th Session HRC)

Brief reference to “sexual identity”.  
(In the context of multiple discrimination.)  
Para. 24.

**Eliminating discrimination against women in political and public life with a focus on political transition**

June 2013 (23rd Session HRC)

Good references to SOGI, LBT women, SO, SOGI (CEDAW General Recommendation; LBT women human rights defenders’ risks; ICTs as used by women attacked because of their SO; stereotypes.)  
Paras. 28, 47, 48, 70.

**First annual report on historical overview, conceptual framework, thematic priorities for 2012-2013, methods of work and overview of activities**

June 2012 (20th Session HRC)

Brief references to SO, SOGI.  
(Intersectional discrimination; vulnerability/violence.)  
Paras. 13, 28.

### INDIVIDUAL COMPLAINTS

COUNTRY/DATE	EXPERTS	SITUATION
<b>Guatemala</b> 31 August 2018	Health SOGI Women in law and practice	Upcoming approval of draft ‘Law for the protection of life and family’, which would, inter alia, further restrict the concepts of marriage and family and prohibit public and private educational institutions from teaching “gender ideology”, sexual diversity, or presenting as normal any sexual behaviour other than heterosexuality.
<b>Russian Federation</b> 9 May 2018	Disability Freedom of opinion and expression Health Women in law and practice	Information received concerning the removal of two foster children from the home of Yulia Savinovskih.
<b>Brazil</b> 22 March 2018	African descent Extrajudicial executions Foreign debt Housing Human rights defenders Poverty Racism SOGI Violence against women Women in law and practice	Killing of Marielle Franco (and her driver) an Afro-Brazilian human rights defender working for the rights of women, people of African descent, LGBT people, and populations from the favelas, also elected member of City Council of Rio de Janeiro.
<b>Honduras</b> 10 July 2017	Extrajudicial executions Freedom of assembly and association Human rights defenders SOGI Violence against women Women in law and in practice	Information received in connection with the recent murder, in the vicinity of the capital, Tegucigalpa, of a transsexual woman, who was also an LGBTI rights activist, Ms. Sherlyn Montoya.

<p><b>El Salvador</b> 26 May 2017</p>	<p>Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Human rights defenders SOGI Violence against women Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>Information received regarding 3 murders of trans women in San Luis Talpa, as well as allegations of acts of intimidation and threats, including acts of extortion against a human rights defender.</p>
<p><b>Ireland</b> 17 April 2015</p>	<p>Health Women in law and practice</p>	<p>Allegations regarding the discriminatory effects of certain provisions contained in the Gender Recognition Bill, with concern raised at provisions about mandatory medical certification, and disproportionate safeguards applied to children.</p>
<p><b>Egypt</b> 17 April 2014</p>	<p>Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of religion Minority issues Torture Violence against women Women in law and practice</p>	<p>Alleged arrest, detention, conviction and sentencing of four individuals on the sole basis of their sexual orientation and/or gender identity.</p>
<p><b>Kuwait</b> 5 February 2014</p>	<p>Arbitrary detention Violence against women Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>Allegations of arbitrary arrest and detention of a Kuwaiti national on the basis of her gender identity and expression. She was reportedly charged with “imitation of the opposite sex”, which is a criminal offence under Amendment 198 of the Kuwaiti Penal Code.</p>
<p><b>Republic of Moldova</b> 29 July 2013</p>	<p>Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Health Housing Human rights defenders Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>Alleged risk of restrictions on the rights to freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly.</p>
<p><b>Iran</b> 28 June 2013</p>	<p>Extrajudicial executions Freedom of religion Iran Torture Violence against women Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>The revised Islamic Penal Code: death penalty for some non-violent acts, including “for sodomy for the non-Muslim party in same-sex relations.”</p>