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ILGA World's **UN Treaty Bodies Quarterly Report** provides main information on SOGIESC references made by UN Committees in their Lists of Issues and Concluding Observations under country periodic review process, as well as adopted General Comments and Individual Communications.

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!!! Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, several sessions of Treaty Bodies were postponed and some of them are held online.

**SOGIESC-inclusive
Concluding Observations**

- ⇒ Check LGBTI recommendations to your country
- ⇒ Organize follow-up activities to inform your community about recommendations and to encourage your government to implement the recommendations

Bahrain	Netherlands
Belarus	Panama
Bolivia	Peru
Cambodia	Qatar
Czech Republic	Senegal
DRC	Serbia
Dominican Republic	Switzerland
Gabon	Uganda
Iraq	Uzbekistan

**SOGIESC-inclusive
Lists of Issues**

- ⇒ See what information was requested from your country before the formulation of recommendations
- ⇒ Collect information and provide your comments to inform Treaty Bodies' future recommendations

Albania	Indonesia
Australia	Iraq
Brazil	Kyrgyzstan
Belarus	Sao Tome and Principe
Costa Rica	Timor-Leste
Egypt	Turkmenistan
EU	

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COUNTRY-SPECIFIC QUESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

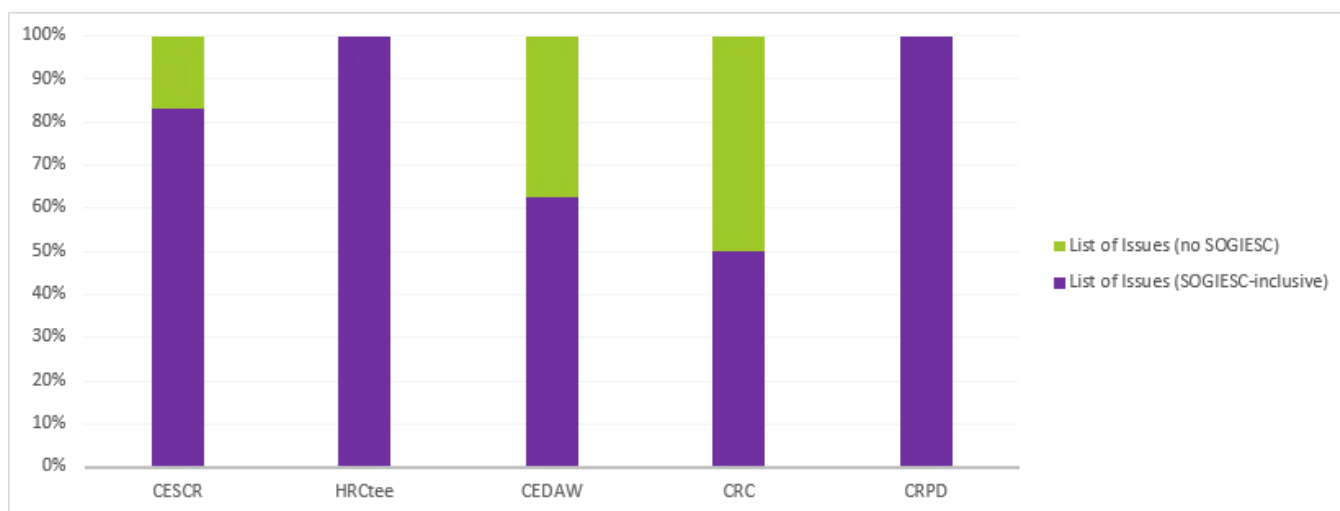
This section contains information about recommendations in Concluding Observations, as well as questions in Lists of Issues to specific countries under country periodic review process.

[**Bold**] = SOGIESC-inclusive questions or recommendations

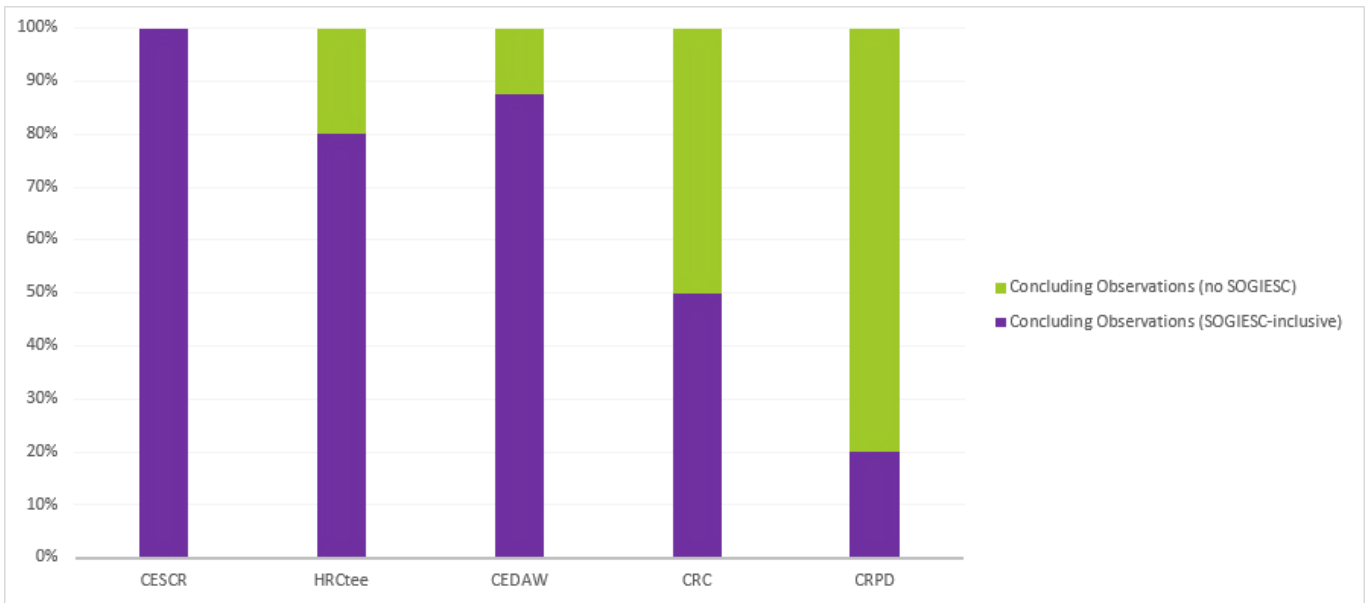
Committee Session / PSWG		Countries
CESCR 71 Session : 14 Feb – 04 Mar 2022 70 PSWG : 07 Mar – 11 Mar 2022	Lists of Issues:	Albania, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Kyrgyzstan; Australia
	Concluding Observations:	Bahrain, Belarus, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Serbia, Uzbekistan
	Follow up:	Bulgaria, Denmark, Ecuador, Slovakia, Switzerland
HRCtee 134 Session : 28 Feb – 25 Mar 2022	Lists of Issues:	Brazil, Egypt Turkmenistan
	Concluding Observations:	Bolivia, Cambodia, Iraq, Israel, Qatar
	Lists of Issues:	Albania, Costa Rica, France, Gambia, Malawi, Sao Tome and Principe, Timor-Leste; Belarus
CEDAW 81 Session : 07 Feb – 25 Feb 2022 83 PSWG : 28 Feb – 04 Mar 2022	Concluding Observations:	Dominican Republic, Gabon, Lebanon, Panama, Peru, Senegal, Uganda, Uzbekistan
	Concluding Observations:	Madagascar, Netherlands
CRC 89 Session : 31 Jan – 11 Feb 2022	Lists of Issues:	European Union (EU)
	Concluding Observations:	Hungary, Jamaica, Mexico, Switzerland , Venezuela

PSWG – Pre-Sessional Working Group | CERD – Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination | CESCR – Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights | HRCtee – Human Rights Committee | CEDAW – Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women | CAT – Committee against Torture | CMW – Committee on Migrant Workers

Percentage of SOGIESC-inclusive Lists of Issues (January-March 2022)



Percentage of SOGIESC-inclusive Concluding Observations (January-March 2022)



GENERAL COMMENTS

This section contains information about General Comments (General Recommendations) adopted by Treaty Bodies. These documents provide the Committees' interpretation of the content of human rights provisions regarding thematic issues or methods of work.

Committee

General Recommendation

CESCR

No new general comments adopted in January-March 2022

HRCtee

No new general comments adopted in January-March 2022

CEDAW

No new general comments adopted in January-March 2022

CRC

No new general comments adopted in January-March 2022

CRPD

No new general comments adopted in January-March 2022

INDIVIDUAL COMMUNICATIONS

This section contains information about decisions made by the Committees on individual complaints. Individual complaint is a formal complaint, from an individual who claims that their rights under one of the treaties have been violated by a State party, which most of the treaty bodies are competent to consider.

Committee | Decision

Treaty's articles | Issue | Result

Arts. 2(a) and (c)-(g), 5(a), 7(c), 15 and 16 in conjunction with art. 1 of the CEDAW Convention

Criminalisation of same-sex sexual activity under section 365A of the Sri Lankan Penal Code of 1883; persecution and harassment of a lesbian activist and her LGBTI organisation; the right to autonomy and choice of the family life

Violation

SUMMARY OF SESSIONS: COUNTRY PERIODIC REVIEWS

This section contains more detailed information on SOGIESC questions, recommendations and follow-up reviews adopted by specific Committees under the country periodic review process.

[**Bold**] = SOGIESC-inclusive recommendations in the Concluding Observations

[Light] = SOGIESC-inclusive concerns and questions in the Concluding Observations and List of Issues respectively

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

[71 Session](#): 14 Feb - 04 Mar 2022 | [70 PSWG](#) 07 Mar - 11 Mar 2022

Seven LGBTI-inclusive **questions** in the Committee's List of Issues:

[Albania](#) (para 6)

[Indonesia](#) (para 11)

[Iraq](#) (para 9)

[Kyrgyzstan](#) (paras 22, 26)

[Australia](#) (paras 9, 23)

- Progress achieved in preventing and combating discrimination against LGBTI persons (Albania, Iraq)
- Progress made in repealing discriminatory laws based on SOGI (Indonesia)
- Measures to protect LGBTI persons from discrimination by private landlords (Kyrgyzstan)
- Trans specific question: information on the implementation and dissemination of the manual on the provision of medical and social care for transgender, transsexual and gender non-conforming persons (2017) (Kyrgyzstan)
- Access to healthcare for LGBTI persons (Kyrgyzstan)
- Information on reforming the existing anti-discrimination legislation and its discriminatory effects against LGBTI teachers and students in religious educational institutions (Australia)

Five LGBTI-inclusive **recommendations** in the Committee's Concluding Observations:

[Bahrain](#) (paras 14, 15)

[Belarus](#) (para 9)

[Czech Republic](#) (paras 12, 13)

[DRC](#) (paras 28, 29)

[Serbia](#) (para 29)

[Uzbekistan](#) (paras 20, 21)

- Measures against negative stereotyping and stigmatisation against LGBTI persons (Bahrain)
- Combat discrimination against LGBTI persons (Czech Republic)
- Measures and awareness raising campaigns to combat discrimination and stigmatisation of LGBTI persons; stop misuse of criminal legislation for persecution of consensual same-sex relations (DRC)
- Comprehensive anti-discrimination legislation; measures anti-LGBTI hate speech, discrimination and stigmatisation; equality test by public authorities when preparing new regulations or policies (Serbia)
- Decriminalisation of consensual same-sex sexual acts; awareness-raising campaigns for public, healthcare providers, law enforcement, and other public officials (Uzbekistan)
- First SOGIESC recommendations from this Committee for Bahrain, Belarus, Czech Republic, DRC and Uzbekistan

One LGBTI-inclusive recommendation selected for the **follow up** assessment in the Committee's Concluding Observations:

[Uzbekistan](#) (para 65)

- Decriminalisation of consensual same-sex sexual acts (Uzbekistan)
- Awareness-raising campaigns for public, healthcare providers, law enforcement, and other public officials (Uzbekistan)

Human Rights Committee

[134 Session](#): 28 Feb – 25 Mar 2022

Seven LGBTI-inclusive **questions** in the Committee's List of Issues:

[Brazil](#) (paras 3, 4, 12, 27, 28)

[Egypt](#) (para 6)

[Turkmenistan](#) (para 6)

Five LGBTI-inclusive **recommendations** in the Committee's Concluding Observations:

[Bolivia](#) (paras 12, 13, 14, 15)

[Cambodia](#) (paras 14, 15)

[Iraq](#) (paras 12, 13)

[Qatar](#) (paras 12, 13)

One LGBTI-inclusive recommendation selected for the **follow up** assessment in the Committee's Concluding Observations:

[Bolivia](#) (para 35)

- Measures to combat SO-based discriminatory laws and social practices (Brazil)
- Anti-LGBTI hate speech by politicians and online (Brazil)
- Disproportionately high level of homicide of LGBTI persons; measures to combat hate crimes (Brazil)
- Measures for protection of LGBTI human rights defenders (Brazil)
- Measures to protect LGBTI political candidates and politicians from violence, intimidation, threats and harassment (Brazil)
- Criminalisation of consensual same-sex relations (Egypt, Turkmenistan)
- Investigate, punish and redress for SOGI-based hate crimes (Bolivia)
- Trans specific recommendation: ensure protection of trans women within the violence against women framework (Bolivia)
- Combat anti-LGBTI discrimination and violence (Cambodia)
- Combat stereotyping and negative attitudes based on SOGI; training and awareness raising for police and judiciary; effective investigation, prosecution and compensations for SOGI-based violence; stop misusing vague morality laws to criminalise acts of persons based on their SOGI (Iraq)
- Comprehensive SOGI-inclusive anti-discrimination legislation (Iraq, Qatar)
- First SOGIESC recommendations from this Committee for Bolivia and Qatar
- Trans specific recommendation: ensure protection of trans women within the violence against women framework (Bolivia)

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

[81 Session](#): 07 Feb 2022 - 25 Feb 2022 | [783 PSWG](#): 28 Feb 2022 – 04 Mar 2022

Seven LGBTI-inclusive **questions** in the Committee's List of Issues:

[Albania](#) (paras 8, 17, 21)

[Costa Rica](#) (para 12)

[Sao Tome Principe](#) (para 17)

[Timor-Leste](#) (para 22)

[Belarus](#) (para 23)

- Temporary special measures to eliminate intersecting discrimination of LBT women and intersex persons (Albania)
- Measures to eliminate discrimination against LGBTI in the labour market (Albania)
- Information on the situation of LGBTI (Albania)
- Measures to prevent gender-based violence (GBV) against LGBTI (Costa Rica)
- Information on training for health workers on women's and girls' SRHR, specifically LGBTI (Sao Tome and Principe)
- Measures to ensure full, pre-informed and free consent for any medical procedure, such as sterilisation, conducted on trans women (Sao Tome and Principe)
- Information on situation, legislation and policies protecting rights of LGBTI (Timor-Leste)

Sixteen LGBTI-inclusive **recommendations** in the Committee's Concluding Observations:

[Dominican Republic](#) (para 22, 31, 32)

[Gabon](#) (para 37)

[Panama](#) (paras 10, 11, 12)

[Peru](#) (paras 9, 10, 13, 21, 22, 23, 24, 30, 35, 36, 47, 48, 49)

[Senegal](#)

(paras 13, 39, 40)

[Uganda](#) (paras 10, 26, 33, 42)

[Uzbekistan](#) (paras 22, 39, 40)

- Measures to combat violence and discrimination against LGBTI; ensure effective investigation, prosecution and punishment for anti-LGBTI crimes (Belarus)
- Access to medical, psychosocial and legal assistance and to victims and witness protection programmes for LGBTI survivors of GBV (Dominican Republic)
- Policies to end discrimination in schools against LGBTI students (Dominican Republic)
- Mitigating the socioeconomic impact of the pandemic on LGBTI (Panama)
- Access to complaint mechanisms in cases of GBV for LGBTI (Panama)
- Temporary special measures to provide urgent redress for historical and intersecting forms of discrimination for LGBTI (Peru)
- Comprehensive strategy to dismantle discriminatory attitudes perpetuating GBV and discrimination against LGBTI (Peru)
- Monitoring mechanisms on the enforcement of laws criminalising GBV against LGBTI; measures to prevent, register, investigate and sanction anti-LGBTI discrimination and GBV; GBV victim support services for LGBTI (Peru)
- Measures to address discriminatory gender stereotypes and practices within political parties that discourage LGBTI (Peru)
- Hiring quotas and employment retention schemes promoting access for LGBTI (Peru)
- Data collection on women deprived of liberty with a focus on the system of registration and treatment of LGBTI in prisons (Peru)
- Combating anti-LGBTI hate speech; increasing the level of their protection, providing them with access to shelters and fully investigating and prosecuting all cases of violations of LGBTI rights (Senegal)
- Collection, dissemination and analysis of up-to-date data on LGBT women and intersex persons' rights and measures taken to address discrimination and violence they face (Senegal)
- Measures, including COVID-19 recovery strategies, to redress long-standing inequalities faced by LGBTI (Uganda)
- Awareness raising campaigns on anti-LGBTI GBV (Uganda)
- Access to free antiretroviral treatment for LGBT women and intersex persons (Uganda)
- Review legislation on GBV to include needs of LGBT women and intersex persons (Uzbekistan)
- Temporary special measures to ensure access to justice, employment and health care, including sexual and reproductive health services, respecting the confidentiality of patient information, social protection and food security for LGBT women (Uzbekistan)
- First SOGIESC recommendations from this Committee for Dominican Republic, Gabon, Panama, Senegal, Uganda and Uzbekistan
- Monitoring mechanisms on the enforcement of laws criminalising GBV against and GBV victim support services for LGBT women and intersex persons (Peru)
- Measures, including COVID-19 recovery strategies, to redress long-standing inequalities faced by LGBT women and intersex persons (Uganda)

Two LGBTI-inclusive recommendations selected for the **follow up** assessment in the Committee's Concluding Observations:

[Peru](#) (para 57)

[Uganda](#) (para 55)

Committee on the Rights of the Child

[89 Session](#): 31 Jan 2022 - 11 Feb 2022

One LGBTI-inclusive **recommendation** in the Committee's Concluding Observations:
[Netherlands](#) (para 15)

- Policies and awareness-raising measures on elimination stereotyping of, prejudice and discrimination against LGBTI children (Netherlands)

Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

[26 Session](#): 07 Mar 2022 - 25 Mar 2022

Two LGBTI-inclusive **questions** in the Committee's List of Issues:
[EU](#) (paras 6, 28)

- Report on the situation of LGBTI persons with disabilities (EU)
- Measures to ensure that LGBTI persons with disabilities benefit from employment opportunities, including self-employment initiatives (EU)

One LGBTI-inclusive **recommendation** in the Committee's Concluding Observations:
[Switzerland](#) (para 10)

- Strengthen mechanisms at the federal, cantonal and municipal levels to ensure effective support and consultations with organisations of LGBTI persons with disabilities – in design, reporting and monitoring with respect to legislation and policies (Switzerland)
- First SOGIESC recommendation from this Committee for Switzerland