

Amendments Form for the ILGA World Constitution and Standing Orders

Proposal by the ILGA World Board

This proposal contains several constitutional changes:

- 1. Review of the preamble of the constitution
- 2. A review of the alternates to the board position and an addition to the board quorum rules
- 3. A review of the composition of the board (adding the ED as an ex-officio member to the board)
- 4. A review of the Steering Committees tasks
- 5. An addition to the provision of outstanding membership fees

| Constitution / Standing Order Provision No. | Current text | Proposed amendment | Explanation/Note |
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| C1.1 | C1.1 Recognising the fundamental pride that lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, trans people, and intersex people (LGBTI) have in their | C1.1 Recognising Affirming the fundamental pride that lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, trans people, and intersex lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and | The wording is outdated and not in line with the language used by ILGA World to date. |

| | gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, and sex characteristics; | intersex people (LGBTI) have in their gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, and sex characteristics ; sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions and sex characteristics. | |
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| C1.2 new | | C1.2 Recognising that there is no single issued struggle to achieve human rights and socio-economic equality for all, ILGA world strives to work through an intersectional feminist lens. | ILGA World increasingly seeks to work through an intersectional lens and that should be reflected in our core documents. |
| C 7.6 Items m) & n) | C7.6 The agenda of the World Conference shall include: m) Election of the Secretaries General and alternates n) Election of the Chairs of the Steering Committees and their alternates. | C7.6 The agenda of the World Conference shall include: m) Election of the Secretaries General and alternates n) Election of the Chairs of the Steering Committees and their alternates. | The ILGA World Board propose to remove the portfolio titled, Alternates in the Constitution and the Standing Orders based on the following assessment. Currently the alternates are elected as shadow roles in the event that a board |
| C8.3 | C8.3 Regional representatives and alternates shall be elected by the appropriate regional structures, according to their procedures. At least one of the two regional alternates must identify as a woman. If this is not possible, a regional | C8.3 Regional representatives and alternates shall be elected by the appropriate regional structures, according to their procedures. At least one of the two regional alternates must identify as a woman. If this is not possible, a regional | member can no longer serve as co-secretary general or BITWY Chairs. However, the alternates are not active board members and their additions are affected due to their absence from the governance process from the onset. For effective good |



| | caucus at a World Conference shall elect representatives until the region elects representatives according to their procedures or until the next World Conference. | caucus at a World Conference shall elect representatives until the region elects representatives according to their procedures or until the next World Conference. | governance and simply the governance structure, the board proposes: |
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| C 8.4 | C8.4 In case of a vacancy, a replacement may be elected by the region according to their procedures. If the region does not or cannot fill a vacancy, the Executive Board may appoint an interim member until the region or a regional caucus elects a new member. | C8.4 In case of a vacancy, a replacement may be elected by the region according to their procedures. If the region does not or cannot fill a vacancy, the Executive Board may appoint an interim member until the region or a regional caucus elects a new member. In case a position among the regional representatives becomes vacant, a replacement may be elected by the region according to their procedures. In case a position among the BITWY Committee Chairs becomes vacant, the respective Committee shall appoint a new | Doing away with the concept of alternates requires another way of filling vacancies in case board members resign or are suspended. In the spirit of continuity and in giving agency to both regions and BITWY committees we propose the following: Should a co-secretary general board member resign or step down during their term of office, the board will have the authority to appoint a replacement from the existing pool of executive board members. |

| | | Committee Chair from among their ranks. In case one of the Co-Secretary General positions becomes vacant, the ILGA World board may appoint a new Co-Secretary- General from among their ranks. If a region or BITWY Committee does not or cannot fill a vacancy, the Executive Board may appoint an interim member for the function until the region or BITWY committee elects a new member. | This affords an effective flow of decision making and continuity within the board. Should a BITWY Board member step down, the designated BITWY Committee will nominate/propose a board member to represent that thematic portfolio and to serve out the duration of the board term. |
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| C8.2 | C8.2 The Executive Board shall include two representatives, at least one of whom identifies as a woman, from each region, the two Secretaries-G general, and the Chairs of the Steering Committees. All full and reserve members of the board have to be from full member organisations. | C8.2 The Executive Board shall include two representatives, at least one of whom identifies as a woman, from each region, the two Secretaries-General, and the Chairs of the Steering Committees. All full and reserve members of the board have to be from full member organisations. The Executive Director of ILGA World is an ex-officio member of the Executive Board. The ED does not have voting rights. | The deletion of "and reserve" is a consequence of the changes under 7.6. In addition we propose the ED to become a non – voting member of the ILGA World Executive Board. The Governance committee recognises that Good Governance is premised two key aspects: on good and ethical oversight and secondly managing risks and building sustainability, these duties are held collectively by the elected board and the ED, and this makes up the key due diligence |



| | of the role of the board should include the ED world board aims to fo feminist approach that governance culture of transparency, collectiv leadership. The ED rej the interest of the staff board and oversees th management of opera ILGA and the elected I overseas and manage and oversees good go and sustainability in th enforcement of policie contributing towards fu and movement buildin will be recused when r the board to have a clo session or on matters unrelated to the ED. T as a non-voting memb Board but has equal co in fostering a healthy a managed Organization | ILGA's ster a creates a reve presents on the le good tions of board es the ED overnance e s and in undraising g. The ED required by osed related or The ED sits per on the ontribution and well |
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| C8.10 | C8.10 The quorum for a | C8.10 The quorum for a meeting | BITWY committee chairs should |
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| | meeting of the Executive Board | of the Executive Board shall be at | be considered for the quorum. |
| | shall be at least 50% of the | least 50% of the regions and at | |
| | regions | least 3 BITWY committee chairs | |
| | represented, and one | represented, and one Secretary- | |
| | Secretary-General present. | General present. Meetings can | |
| | Meetings can also be | also be conducted by telephone | |
| | conducted by telephone or | or electronically | |
| | electronically. | | |
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| STEERING C | COMMITTEES PROPOSALS | | |

The Executive Board proposes an immediate review of the BITWY Committee for the following reasons.

- The BITWY Committees in its current structures, required an evaluation and a review based on the following:
- The subsections in the C.6.1 C.6.5 are not governance roles and rather add programmes to ILGA, and the Board should not implement programmes, rather it must have oversight, to support, input and leverage ILGA's work for expanding ILGA's fundraising, to effect change in the world and to mitigate any risks internally and externally.
- The Executive Board believes that the BITWY committees are not truly intersectional in its design as it rather perpetuates exclusion than inclusion. For example, the inclusion of women and youth, may require further questions on the inclusion of the elderly, persons with disabilities, race, etc.

RECOMMENDATION:

- We propose a pause on adding further population groups to the Executive Board through additional committees and that the functions and effectiveness of the steering committees be reviewed and assessed with external support. To that end, a consultant/s shall be contracted to assist ILGA in developing a comprehensive intersectional tool to ensure greater inclusion and to avoid erasure of any identities that intersect with being LGBTIQ.

| C6.1.3 | C6.1.3 It is the responsibility of | C6.1.3 It is the responsibility of | The current sections C.6.1-C.6.5 |
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| | the Chair of the Women's | the Chair of the Women's | subjections a-f are not as |



| Committee to coordinate the | Committee to coordinate the work | programme implementation |
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| work of the | of the | responsibilities which is not the |
| Committee which is to: | Committee which is to: | role and function of an Executive |
| a) Collect and co-ordinate | a) Collect and co-ordinate | Board. We recommend that the |
| information/visibility worldwide | information/visibility worldwide on | BITWY Chairpersons and |
| on women's issues, in close | women's issues, in close co- | Steering Committees strengthen |
| CO- | operation with the Executive | programme implementation |
| operation with the Executive | Board; | through the functions, of |
| Board; | b) Initiate articles on women's | advisory, monitoring, |
| b) Initiate articles on women's | issues for ILGA World | collaboration with the |
| issues for ILGA World | publications; | International Programme by |
| publications; | c) Attend relevant conferences | supporting the Executive Director |
| c) Attend relevant conferences | within and outside ILGA World | in delivery a high impact |
| within and outside ILGA World | and make policy inputs to | programme. |
| and make policy inputs to | <mark>international organisations and</mark> | The amendments effectively |
| international organisations and | <mark>agencies;</mark> | avoid any conflict of interests |
| agencies; | d) Co-operate with other | such as board chairs receiving |
| d) Co-operate with other | <mark>international women's</mark> | operational programme |
| international women's | organisations; | manager, eradicates a |
| organisations; | e) Co-ordinate and arrange | duplication of programme work |
| e) Co-ordinate and arrange | women's caucuses and | at board level which in itself is a |
| women's caucuses and | workshops in co-operation with | conflict of interest and not good |
| workshops in co-operation with | <mark>the group</mark> | governance, Board has |
| the group | <mark>planning for a World Conference;</mark> | oversight function not |
| planning for a World | f) Carry out tasks allocated to it by | implementation function. |
| Conference; | ILGA World World Conferences. | |
| f) Carry out tasks allocated to it | | |

| by ILGA World World | a) | Represent women's issues in | |
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| Conferences. | | the ILGA World Executive | |
| | | Board and be a spokesperson | |
| | | for women's issues for the | |
| | | Executive Board. | |
| | b) | Represent and advance | |
| | | women's inclusiveness at the | |
| | | highest decision governance | |
| | | decision making level, | |
| | | Executive Board. | |
| | c) | Apply an intersectional lens to | |
| | | ensuring that the needs and | |
| | | advancement of women are | |
| | | protected in ILGA's policies | |
| | | and processes. | |
| | | Use the executive authority at | |
| | | Board level to strengthen, | |
| | | advise and support the ILGA | |
| | | World Programme in | |
| | | conjunction with the Executive | |
| | | Director. | |
| | | Guide, support and input into | |
| | | the preparation and effective | |
| | | delivery of a women's pre- | |
| | | conference and caucus at the | |
| | | ILGA World conferen <mark>ce in</mark> | |
| | | collaboration with the | |
| | | Executive Director | |
| | | To build partnerships with | |
| | | intersectional feminist | |
| | | movements and external | |
| | | allies. To represent ILGA | |
| | | World at relevant decision- | |



| | | making events, processes and conferences. g) In conjunction with the Executive Director, the Co-Secretary Generals, the BITY Chairs and with the steering committees convene an annual programme review with the ILGA world programme to monitor and ensure effective membership consultation on programmatic impact. | |
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| C6.2.3 | C6.2.3 It is the responsibility of the Chair of the Trans Committee to coordinate the | C6.2.3 It is the responsibility of the Chair of the Trans Committee to coordinate the work of the | Rationale see under C6.1.3 |
| | work of the | Committee which is to: | |
| | Committee which is to: | a) Collect and co-ordinate | |
| | a) Collect and co-ordinate | information/visibility worldwide on | |
| | information/visibility worldwide | t rans issues, in close co-operation | |
| | on trans issues, in close co- | with the Executive Board; | |
| | operation with the Executive Board; | b) Initiate articles on trans issues for ILGA World publications; | |
| | b) Initiate articles on trans | c) Attend relevant conferences | |
| | issues for ILGA World | within and outside ILGA World | |
| | publications; | and make policy inputs to | |

| c) Attend relevant conferences | international organisations and |
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| within and outside ILGA World | agencies; |
| and make policy inputs to | d) Co-operate with other |
| international organisations and | international trans organisations; |
| agencies; | e) Co-ordinate and arrange trans |
| d) Co-operate with other | caucuses and workshops in co- |
| international trans | operation with the group |
| organisations; | <mark>planning for a World Conference;</mark> |
| e) Co-ordinate and arrange | f) Carry out tasks allocated to it by |
| trans caucuses and workshops | ILGA World World Conferences. |
| in co-operation with the group | |
| planning for a World | a) Represent trans issues in the |
| Conference; | ILGA World Executive |
| f) Carry out tasks allocated to it | Board and be a spokesperson |
| by ILGA World World | for trans issues for the |
| Conferences. | Executive Board. |
| | b) Represent and advance trans |
| | persons inclusiveness at the |
| | highest decision governance |
| | decision making level, |
| | Executive Board. |
| | e) Apply an intersectional lens to |
| | ensuring that the needs and |
| | advancement of trans persons |
| | are protected in ILGA's |
| | policies and processes. |
| | d) Use the executive authority at |
| | Board level to strengthen, |
| | advise and support the ILGA |
| | World Programme in |
| | conjunction with the Executive |
| | Director. |



| | | e) Guide, support and input into the preparation and effective delivery of a trans pre- conference and caucus at the ILGA World conference in collaboration with the Executive Director f) To build partnerships with trans movements and external allies. To represent ILGA World at relevant decision- making events, processes and conferences. g) In conjunction with the Executive Director, the Co- Secretary Generals, the BIWY Chairs and with the steering committees convene an annual programme review with the ILGA world programme to monitor and ensure effective membership consultation on programmatic impact. | |
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| C6.3.3 | C6.3.3 It is the responsibility of the Chair of the Intersex Committee to coordinate the work of the | C6.3.3 It is the responsibility of the Chair of the Intersex Committee to coordinate the work of the | |

| Committee which is to: | Committee which is to: | |
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| a) Collect and co-ordinate | a) Collect and co-ordinate | |
| information/visibility worldwide | a) Collect and co-orginate information/visibility worldwide on | |
| on intersex issues, in close co- | intersex issues, in close co- | |
| operation with the Executive | operation with the Executive | |
| Board: | Board: | |
| b) Initiate articles on intersex | board, b) Initiate articles on intersex | |
| issues for ILGA World | b) Initiate afficies of Intersex issues for ILGA World | |
| | publications: | |
| publications; | | |
| c) Attend relevant conferences | c) Attend relevant conferences within and outside ILGA World | |
| within and outside ILGA World | | |
| and make policy inputs to | and make policy inputs to | |
| international organisations and | international organisations and | |
| agencies; | agencies; | |
| d) Co-operate with other | d) Co-operate with other | |
| international intersex | international intersex | |
| organisations; | organisations; | |
| e) Co-ordinate and arrange | e) Co-ordinate and arrange | |
| intersex caucuses and | intersex caucuses and workshops | |
| workshops in co-operation with | in co-operation with the group | |
| the group | planning for a World Conference; | |
| planning for a World | f) Carry out tasks allocated to it by | |
| Conference; | ILGA World World Conferences. | |
| f) Carry out tasks allocated to it | | |
| by ILGA World World | a) Represent intersex issues in | |
| Conferences. | the ILGA World Executive | |
| | Board and be a spokesperson | |
| | for intersex issues for the | |
| | Executive Board. | |
| | b) Represent and advance | |
| | intersex person's | |
| | inclusiveness at the highest | |
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| | advancement of intersex | |
| | persons are protected in | |
| | ILGA's policies and | |
| | processes. | |
| d) | Use the executive authority at | |
| | Board level to strengthen, | |
| | advise and support the ILGA | |
| | World Programme in | |
| | conjunction with the Executive | |
| | Director. | |
| e) | | |
| | the preparation and effective | |
| | delivery of a intersex pre- | |
| | <mark>conference and caucus at</mark> the | |
| | <mark>ILGA World conference in</mark> | |
| | collaboration with the | |
| | Executive Director | |
| f) | To build partnerships with | |
| | intersex movements and | |
| | external allies. To represent | |
| | ILGA World at relevant | |
| | decision-making events, | |
| | processes and conferences. | |

| | | g) In conjunction with the Executive Director, the Co- Secretary Generals, the BTWY Chairs and with the steering committees convene an annual programme review with the ILGA world programme to monitor and ensure effective membership consultation on programmatic impact. | |
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| C6.4.3 | C6.4.3 It is the responsibility of the Chair of the Bisexual Committee to coordinate the work of the Committee which is to: a) Collect and co-ordinate information/visibility worldwide on bisexual issues, in close co-operation with the Executive Board; b) Initiate articles on bisexual issues for ILGA World publications; c) Attend relevant conferences within and outside ILGA World and make policy inputs to international organisations and agencies; d) Co-operate with other international bisexual | C6.4.3 It is the responsibility of the Chair of the Bisexual Committee to coordinate the work of the Committee which is to: a) Collect and co-ordinate information/visibility worldwide on bisexual issues, in close co- operation with the Executive Board; b) Initiate articles on bisexual issues for ILGA World publications; c) Attend relevant conferences within and outside ILGA World and make policy inputs to international organisations and agencies; d) Co-operate with other international bisexual organisations; | |



| 6 e) Co-ordinate and arra bisexual caucuses and workshops in co-opera the group planning for a World Conference; | bisexual caucuses and | |
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| f) Carry out tasks alloca by ILGA World World Conferences. | | |
| | persons are protected in ILGA's policies and processes. | |

| | | d) Use the executive authority at |
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| | | Board level to strengthen, |
| | | advise and support the ILGA |
| | | World Programme in |
| | | conjunction with the Executive |
| | | Director. |
| | | e) Guide, support and input into |
| | | the preparation and effective |
| | | delivery of a bisexual pre- |
| | | conference and caucus at the |
| | | ILGA World conference in |
| | | collaboration with the |
| | | Executive Director |
| | | f) To build partnerships with |
| | | bisexual movements and |
| | | external allies. To represent |
| | | ILGA World at relevant |
| | | decision-making events, |
| | | processes and conferences. |
| | | g) In conjunction with the |
| | | Executive Director, the Co- |
| | | Secretary Generals, the ITWY |
| | | Chairs and with the steering |
| | | committees convene an |
| | | annual programme review with |
| | | the ILGA world programme to |
| | | monitor and ensure effective |
| | | membership consultation on |
| | | programmatic impact. |
| C6.5.3 | C6.5.3 It is the responsibility of | C6.5.3 It is the responsibility of |
| | the Chair of the Youth | the Chair of the Youth Committee |
| | Committee to coordinate the | to coordinate the work of the |
| | work of the | Committee which is to: |



| Committee which is to: | a) Collect and co-ordinate |
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| a) Collect and co-ordinate | information/visibility worldwide on |
| information/visibility worldwide | <mark>youth issues, in close co-</mark> |
| on youth issues, in close co- | operation |
| operation | with the Executive Board; |
| with the Executive Board; | b) Initiate articles on youth issues |
| b) Initiate articles on youth | for ILGA World publications; |
| issues for ILGA World | c) Attend relevant conferences |
| publications; | within and outside ILGA World |
| c) Attend relevant conferences | and make policy inputs to |
| within and outside ILGA World | i <mark>nternational organisations and</mark> |
| and make policy inputs to | agencies; |
| international organisations and | d) Co-operate with other |
| agencies; | international youth organisations; |
| d) Co-operate with other | e) Co-ordinate and arrange youth |
| international youth | <mark>caucuses and workshops in co-</mark> |
| organisations; | operation with the group |
| e) Co-ordinate and arrange | planning for a World Conference; |
| youth caucuses and workshops | f) Carry out tasks allocated to it by |
| in co-operation with the group | ILGA World World Conferences. |
| planning for a World | |
| Conference; | a) Represent youth issues in the |
| f) Carry out tasks allocated to it | ILGA World Executive |
| by ILGA World World | Board and be a spokesperson |
| Conferences. | for youth issues for the |
| | Executive Board. |

| b) | Represent and advance young | |
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| | persons' inclusiveness at the | |
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| | highest decision governance | |
| | <mark>decision making level,</mark> | |
| | Executive Board. | |
| | Apply an intersectional lens to | |
| | ensuring that the needs and | |
| | advancement of young | |
| | persons are protected in | |
| | ILGA's policies and | |
| | processes. | |
| d) | Use the executive authority at | |
| | Board level to strengthen, | |
| | advise and support the ILGA | |
| | World Programme in | |
| | conjunction with the Executive | |
| | Director. | |
| | Guide, support and input into | |
| <mark><</mark> / | the preparation and effective | |
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| | delivery of a youth pre- | |
| | conference and caucus at the | |
| | ILGA World conference in | |
| | collaboration with the | |
| | Executive Director | |
| | To build partnerships with | |
| | <mark>young activists' movements</mark> | |
| | and external allies. To | |
| | represent ILGA World at | |
| | relevant decision-making | |
| | events, processes and | |
| | conferences. | |
| g) | In conjunction with the | |
| | Executive Director, the Co- | |



| | | Secretary Generals, the BITW Chairs and with the steering committees convene an annual programme review with the ILGA world programme to monitor and ensure effective membership consultation on programmatic impact. | |
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| C4.6 | If a member does not pay the annual membership fee within 3 months after being given notice that the fee is due, the member will not be able to exercise the rights of a member as set out in this constitution until such time as any outstanding fees have been paid | If a member does not pay the annual membership fee within 3 months after being given notice that the fee is due, the member will not be able to exercise the rights of a member as set out in this constitution until such time as any outstanding last 3 years fees have been paid | Adapting the constitution to current practice. |