



Sexual and Gender Diversity in Dutch Development Cooperation

Share-Net Netherlands Community of Practice on Sexual Diversity

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Who are we?

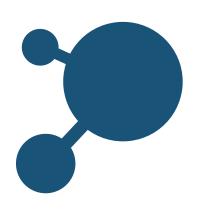
We are the Knowledge Platform on SRHR that brings together communities of practice (CoPs) around the world for knowledge management and match-making.

We currently have 4 knowledge hubs: Bangladesh (2014), Burundi (2016), Jordan (2017) and the Netherlands (since 2000).

Who are we? - Actors

SNI is a membership network working in the field of SRHR consisting of:

- Policy makers
- Researchers
- Practitioners (implementers)
- Private sector actors
- Advocates
- Students and young researchers
- Media actors



How do we do it?

We provide services to our members

- Small grants for applied research, translation of knowledge, policy influence
- Round tables, thematic meetings, workshops
- Website with resource database, newsletters and social media updates
- Structured action learning system between hubs (Collaborative Approach)
- Setting up new knowledge hubs
- Match-making young researchers
- Tailored, on-demand services



What does it all lead to?

- National, sustainable and empowered communities of practice on SRHR are established and operational.
- 2. Knowledge is applied to evidenceinformed SRHR programmes, policies and practices.

And ultimately?

Evidence-informed policies and practices that contribute to improve sexual and reproductive health and promote related rights.

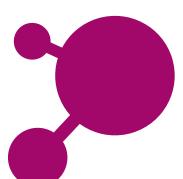


"Strength lies in differences, not in similarities"

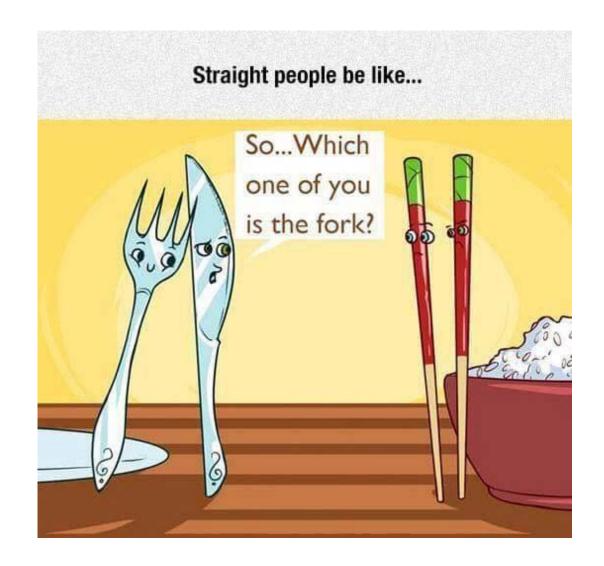
When people should focus on love instead of on sexual acts, celebrating sexual and gender diversity would more easily be appreciated worldwide.

Diversity: Love has no labels

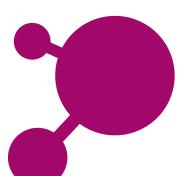
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Sexuality and Gender Diversity in Cultures



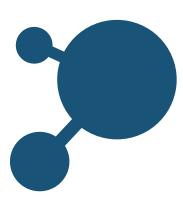




SGD: diversity in identity, love and family

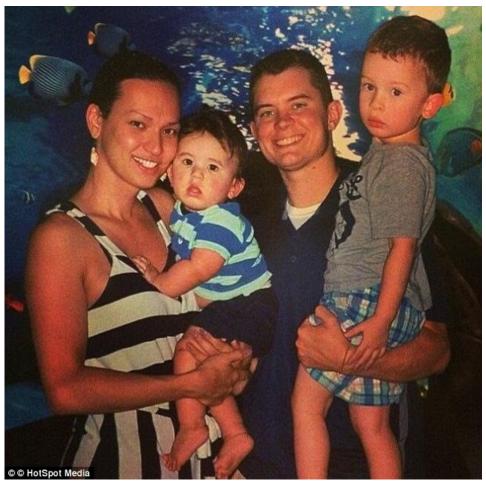


Happy Family

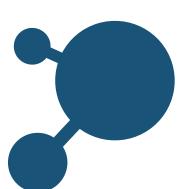


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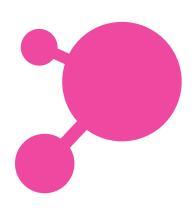
Heterosexual Family
Trans man and trans woman



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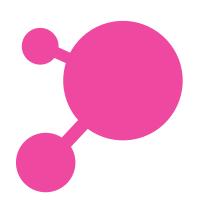
Gay Family Trans Man + Trans Man



Programme of this session

- Exercise Genderbread (30')
- Mainstreaming SGD (15') Interview with Albert Obbuyi, CEO of CSA, Kenya
- Mapping Share-Net Netherlands (15') Who is doing what and how on SGD in Dutch development cooperation



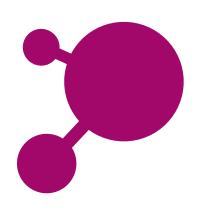


Most Dutch I-NGO's mainstream SGD to promote equality for LGBTI

Mainstreaming is:

The integration of an SGD perspective in the preparation, design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of internal and external policies, regulatory measures, advocacy, and programmes.





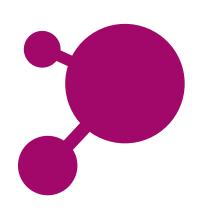
Mainstreaming SGD in Kenya and Indonesia (SRHR Alliance, Dance4Life, Rutgers)

Interview with Albert Obbuyi, CEO of CSA in Kenya

Stepwise process of internal and external mainstreaming of SGD into SRHR partners' NGO's by LGBT NGO's

- 1. Intro and Baseline & Desk Review
- 2. Discussing findings and defining Objectives and methods
- 3. Training Changemakers





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Main Steps and Activities in TLP

Step 1: Laying the basis

- Workshop Introduction of TLP to partners, participatory development of data collection methodology and baseline survey design, and planning of data collection.
- <u>Baseline survey</u> conducted to assess the degree of engagement with and coverage of sexual diversity issues at the staff, organizational and institutional levels of each partner organization.

Step 2: Preparing the action plans

Workshop 2 Sharing Baseline Findings

 based on what partners identified as practical mainstreaming strategies, provisional shortterm action plans were produced (stipulating activities, time frames, responsibilities, expected changes and reflection moments) along with joint plans for training and strategy development.

Step 3: Conducting the learning activities

Training of Change Makers

External mainstreaming

Internal mainstreaming: workshops for management and board

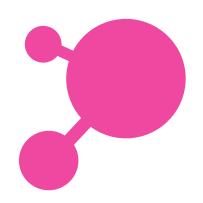
workshops for staff and volunteers

review organizational docs, human resource policy

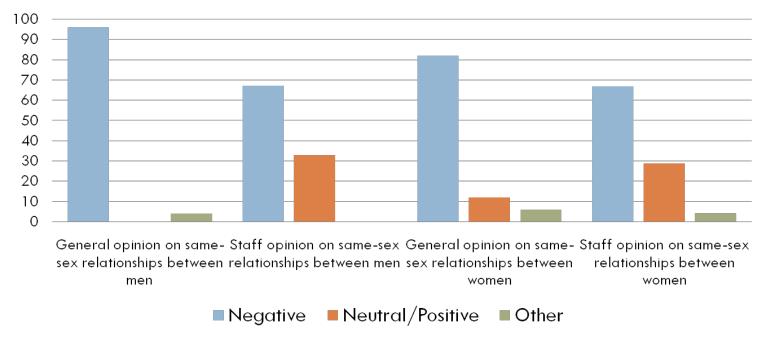
review how to mainstream in programming

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Staff's views on generally held opinions and their personal opinions on same-sex relations (%, N=55)

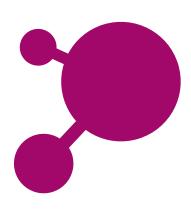


Negative opinion: "Do not tolerate (mentioned most for both sexes); Abnormal; against Christianity/ungodly; dirty; sinful"

Neutral/positive opinion: "It is nature; I have no problem with it; I don't care"

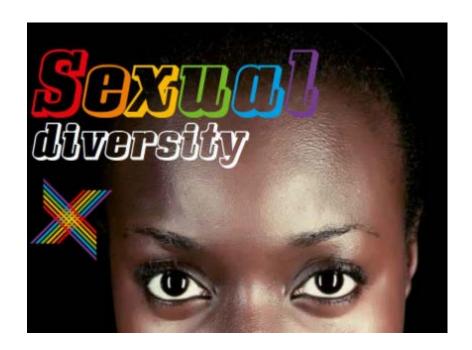
Other/in between opinion: Strange; it is a choice; still coming to terms with it; wonder how a woman gets satisfaction from a fellow woman; however considered not very nasty but still a deviation from the norm





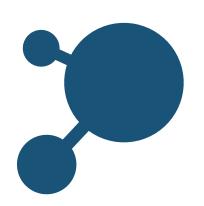
Brochure on Sexual Diversity

Building bridges towards mainstreaming of sexual and gender diversity in SRHR organisations - lessons learned in Africa and Asia.



https://www.rutgers.international/what-we-do/sexual-and-gender-diversity

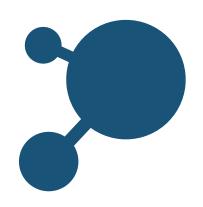




20 I-NGOs – online survey & interviews
5 Universities – online survey
2 Ministeries (MoE, MoFA) - interviews

http://share-netinternational.org/final-report-addressing-sexual-gender-diversity-dutch-development-cooperation/

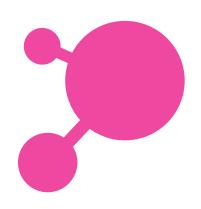




Of 20 I-NGOs:

- 13 have SGD included in their mission
- 8 actively and publicly promote involvement in LGBTI issues
- 8 implement advocacy on LGBTI
- 10 state that values and attitudes towards SGD play an important role in negotiating partnerships with the South
- 7 implement research on LGBTI issues

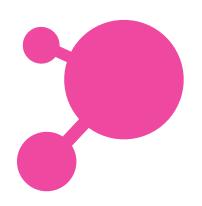




- 5 Universities
 - 4 include LGBTI-related issues in their courses
 - 4 out of 5 universities undertake research on LGBTI issue

- 2 Ministeries (MoE, MoFA)
 - part of SRHR & part of human rights

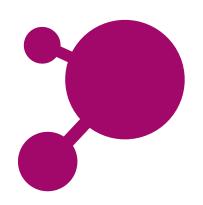




Recommendations (1):

- A true rights-based approach for SRHR unavoidably requires promoting rights for all
- Most NGOs mainstream SGD as part of SRHR work
- Tools for (self)assessment are needed to assess internal and external policies and programs

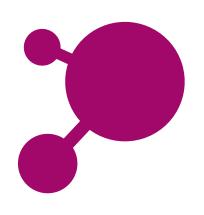




Recommendations (2):

- Strengthening partnership between mainstreaming Dutch NGOs and those who directly work with local LGBTI NGOs and activists in the Global South
- Support of a two-way model of locally mainstreaming is preferred





Recommendations (3):

 Consensus building around key concepts, most effective within different contexts, such as:

Human rights

Equality

Autonomy

Diversity

Non-discrimination

Inclusion

Injustice

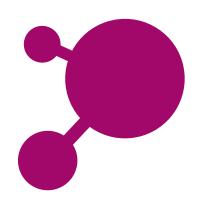
Dignity

Sexual rights

Sexual health and health for all



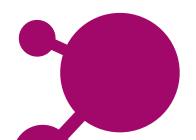




Recommendations (4):

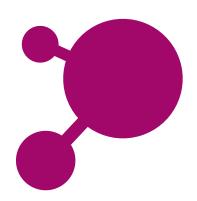
- Active role of Dutch ministries in evaluation of effectiveness of Dutch SGD interventions
- Funding collaboration in the South between non-LGBTI and LGBTI NGOs





Recommendations (1 - 4):

- 1. Most NGOs mainstream SGD as part of their SRHR work. So, tools for (self)assessment are needed to assess internal and external policies and programs
- 2. Partnership between mainstreaming Dutch non-LGBT NGOs and LGBT-NGOs should be strengthened, so they can support a two-way model of mainstreaming locally.
- 3. Consensus has to be build around key concepts, most effective within different contexts
- 4. Dutch ministries actively help evaluating the effectiveness of Dutch SGD interventions and fund collaboration in the South between non-LGBTI and LGBTI NGOs



- Link to the PowerPoint presentation:
- http://share-netinternational.org/sgd-workshop-aids-2018/



