

Proposal for Skopje Spring Congress 2020

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The Skopje Spring Congress 2020 may decide:

1 **Recognise Same-Sex Marriages in the EU**

2 This resolution archives Resolution 2.10 on "Recognise Same-Sex marriages in the entire EU".

3 *Gender and Sexual Rights, Civil Liberties, Social Rights*

4 **For consideration on the annual Congress of the European Liberal Youth (LYMEC) in**
5 **Skopje, North Macedonia on 3-5 April 2020**

6 **Considering that:**

7 - Same-sex marriages are still not legal in a number of member states of the European Union.
8 Other regulated forms of partnerships, such as civil unions or registered partnerships, are
9 available to same-sex couples in several member states, but often do not afford the same scope
10 of rights as marriage.

11 - Some member states do not legally recognize same-sex relationships at all, and in some
12 member states, the constitution limits marriage to heterosexual couples.

13 - Discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation is incompatible with liberal values.

14 - While the status of contractual interpersonal partnership is a fundamental concept in family law,
15 there are no legitimate grounds to restrict the freedom to enter into such an agreement on the
16 basis of sexual orientation, and therefore all contractual interpersonal relationships deserve the
17 same respect, recognition, rights and aid in all countries of the European Union.

18 - The free movement of individuals is at the core of the founding values of the EU.

19 **LYMEC calls for:**

20 - all family legislation and family recognition on a European level shall include same-sex couples,
21 affording equal treatment of all contractual interpersonal partnerships by the European Union.

22 - all member states to recognize same-sex couples who have married or entered into a civil
23 union, cohabitation or similar arrangement in another member state, even if the member state
24 does not itself perform such marriages or arrangements.

25 - That the European Commission step up its actions in enforcing the existing anti-discrimination
26 policy in case of violations in a Member state or a EU candidate country.

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