



BRIEF EWS RESEARCH 2023

WORK IN 2022

Background and objectives

In 2022, the EWS conducted research to collect up-to-date data that dealt with meaningful and recent topics regarding LGBTQI+. An initial literature search was conducted and composed of 18 relevant articles; they are included in the background section(s) of the research output. The research focused on 4 topics, published in the format of 4 factsheets on **(1) LBTQI+ women in sport, (2) LGBTQI+ and sport participation, (3) LGBTQI+ and safe sport and LGBTQI+ and (4) the legacy of covid-19**. Full study accessible [here](#).

Methodology and data collection

The data derived from two online questionnaire surveys (one for coaches, one for athletes) translated in 13 languages and from structured interviews (with athletes) conducted mostly during the EuroGames 2022. 186 athletes and 42 coaches filled out the online questionnaire, and 6 interviews were conducted with athletes.

WORK FOR 2023

Objectives

In 2023, EWS would like to continue work on the status of equality within sport with deepening the knowledge acquired on LGBTQI+ athletes and coaches and **focusing on the intersectionality aspect of the LGBTQI+ community** in the EU.



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Target group

The research should focus on **LBTQI+ women** and on how to increase their participation in sport via identifying the barriers and discrimination/exclusion mechanisms. The following elements could be specifically investigated: participation and experiences in sport, representation in the media, leadership and intersectionality (ex: young women, women with disabilities) through the following research questions:

- What is their experience/connection with sport?
- How has their organisation been working with sport?
- How could sport be more inclusive and safer toward FLINTA?
- What are the barriers, wishes, possible actions and good practices?

Data collection

The study would voice the active LBTQI Women as well as **FLINTA** (Frauen, Lesbien, Inter, Non-Binary, Trans, Asexual) who are *not* doing sport.

Therefore, both sport and non-sport related networks would be used to disseminate the questionnaire and run interviews. This could include advocacy groups such as TGEU, OIEE, EL*C, ILGA and (trans)national organisations such as BuNT. The following sport events could also be used as a platform to collect data: EuroGames in Bern, Switzerland (July), European Paralympic Championships in Rotterdam, Netherlands (August) and the EU Youth Sport Platform in Stockholm, Sweden (June 1-4).

RESEARCHER

The EWS is looking for a researcher to coordinate and conduct this study between April and October 2023 on a freelance basis for 8.000 EUR.



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