## **PROJECT FACTSHEET**



## Empowered LGBTI+ community and their families in Moldova

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EaP countries: Moldova

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Implementing organisation(s): GENDERDOC-M Information Centre (GDM)



Social media account links:

## **Project description:**

Funded by the EU under the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Facility, this project aims to strengthen the LGBTI+ community and their families in Moldova through targeted support services, advocacy, and awareness-raising initiatives. Implemented by GENDERDOC-M Information Centre (GDM), the project provides psychological assistance, legal counseling, and informational resources, fostering community resilience and activism.

Additionally, the project promotes awareness and education on Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Expression, and Sex Characteristics (SOGIESC) to improve understanding, reduce stigma, and foster acceptance of diverse identities. It also ensures that intersex individuals have access to specialized services tailored to their needs. Advocacy efforts focus on public awareness campaigns and engagement with state authorities, particularly in addressing bullying and discrimination faced by LGBTI+ youth in schools.

Through counseling, group activities, and policy dialogue, this initiative contributes to building a more inclusive and supportive environment for LGBTI+ individuals and their families in Moldova.

## **Expected results:**

1. LGBTI+ people and their family members are consolidated and have access to resources (psychological assistance, informational support, activism-related knowledge);

2. LGBTI+ people have benefitted by legal counseling provided by GDM;

3. more LGBTI+ people have the knowledge on SOGIESC and their level of internal stigma decreases;

4. employees effectively deal with stressful situations LGBTI+ people and their allies from Moldova have access to information and spaces to build dialogue;

5. intersex people from Moldova have the access to information and services of GDM;

6. state authorities are informed about the situation with bullying against LGBTI+ teenagers at schools.