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Fighting persecution Supporting defenders of human rights!

Persecuting people on the grounds of their sexual orientation is a grave violation of universal human rights. Homophobic attacks and penal laws infringe elementary rights which are anchored in the system of international and regional human-rights protection derived from the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The right to a life free from discrimination includes protection from discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation.

In many countries, the human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex people are disregarded; in many places, state authorities are involved in repression. In 85 states, same-sex relations are punishable by law; in at least 7 they are punishable with the death penalty. Even in societies where there is no specific legal discrimination, lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgender and intersex people are often subjected to massive infringements of their rights by state actors or are the victims of violence by paramilitary groups. Some have even been brutally murdered. In many cases, the perpetrators are never brought to justice.

The Hirschfeld-Eddy Foundation aims to foster respect for the human rights of lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgender and intersex people, contribute to international human-rights advocacy, provide active support to human rights defenders, promote awareness-raising and overcome prejudices.

We provide concrete assistance through international networking and cooperation with local partners. To this end, we cooperate with organisations working in their home countries to safeguard the human and civil rights of lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgender and intersex people and fighting to combat discrimination against LGBTI.

Should we have awakened your interest, please contact us.

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The Hirschfeld-Eddy Foundation was founded in 2007 on the initiative of the Lesbian and Gay Federation in Germany (Lesben- und Schwulenverband in Deutschland, LSVD). The foundation draws its name from two people who played a major role in the fight for the human rights of sexual minorities. Dr Magnus Hirschfeld (1868–1935) was a doctor, sexologist and activist in the German movement campaigning for homosexuals' civil rights. Fannyann Eddy (1974-2004) was a lesbian activist and human-rights defender from Sierra Leone, murdered in 2004 as a result of her work.

By combining both names, we wish to stress that the battle for the human rights of lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgender and intersex people is taking place on all continents. And this fight concerns universal principles such as the universality and indivisibility of human rights.

Dr Magnus Hirschfeld, who founded the first organisation campaigning for the civil rights of gays and lesbians in 1897, still serves today as a role model for activists and human-rights defenders on all continents. The name Fannyann Eddy symbolises this courageous battle. The Hirschfeld-Eddy Foundation aims to raise awareness of this courageous battle against repression and to achieve progress in this battle by providing concrete and flexible assistance at local level.

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