

Every year, the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia provides a moment to collectively voice the stories, the concerns, the hopes, the demands and the dreams of all people with diverse sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and sex characteristics. It is also a moment where all allies can voice their support, a moment when we can all come together, across our differences but united in the same vision of a fairer and better world.

In 2022, although the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia was still under the sign of COVID-19, it was great to see many offline events at local level, where LGBTQI+ communities, schools, healthcare centres, police stations, sports clubs, companies and local authorities of all sorts took action to observe the Day. In many cases IDAHOBIT provided the first opportunity for an LGBTQI+ support action since the easing of COVID19 restrictions in many parts of the world, and this generated much momentum and a vibrant atmosphere.

Political voices, even at the highest levels of the United Nations and several States, joined forces to give the Day a wide resonance throughout public opinion. In the face of the Russian invasion, many of these voices expressed their solidarity with the Ukrainian people, and especially with Ukrainian LGBTOI+ persons.

This year, the global annual theme "Our Bodies, Our Lives, Our Rights" resonated for all those whose bodies are policed by medical and/or administrative authorities. Particularly Women, Trans and non-binary people and Intersex people are in the frontlines of the battles for recognition, freedom and autonomy, with ableism and racial discrimination adding to the challenges that some of our community members must face.

The social media storm that the Day generates bears testimony to the strength of our movement and the force of our supporters. Yet, the conservative and hateful backlash that it also generated is a strong signal that we cannot drop our defences. We

had reports that on the day of May 17 itself a young man was beaten to death in Senegal only on suspicion of being gay. And this happens every day somewhere in the world, often going unreported. In the face of the ever increasing conservative crackdown on our bodies, our lives, our rights, the fight must continue. We hope that this photo album pays tribute to the vibrancy of our mobilisations, and brings momentum for more action in the months to come.

**Note:** This album provides a few snapshots from the many events that were recorded.

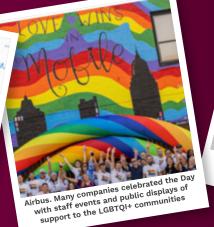
They bear testimony to the organisers' creativity and courage. Hundreds of organisations were involved in celebrations around the world. It would be impossible to mention them all.

Our Twitter feed @may17org provides more detailed coverage of events and organisers.

















City of Caracas paints

rainbow crossing and





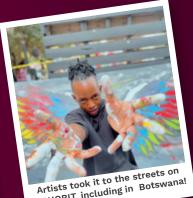


**Mobilisation** around the world









IDAHOBIT, including in Botswana!



Hundreds of political figures spoke out this May 17, as here in Minnesota, USA

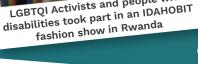






Intersex organisations also marked DIAHOBIT









their annual campaign. This year it calls for a recognition of the Day from the UN

One of the special IDAHOBIT flights

from KLM landed in Suriname



to their million-strong audience







in smaller cities, like in St Brieuc, a small French town



Liverpool, UK, shows love

rallied in Kathmandu for IDAHOBIT



participation from the most diverse and unusual allies, for example Parks Canada

Thai activists mobilised for the



Pride marches also happened







May 17 vibrates across all of Australia each year (Katoomba - Lona Logan)



community were heard around the world, as here in Kenya



As here in Laos, LGBTQI+ organisations organised hundreds of debates worldwide



Beijing queer chorus produced their very queer version of This is Me





This year's biggest LGBTQI+ protest for IDAHOBIT might have been in Seoul, Korea



Many police forces showed solidarity and support. Featured here is Cardinia,



Brussels queer choir



Celebration of #IDAROBIT2U22 III Rwanda by @UshahidiNetworK



NewZealand Parliament



ne first French Trans march sinc the outbreak of COVID19 was scheduled for IDAHOBIT.

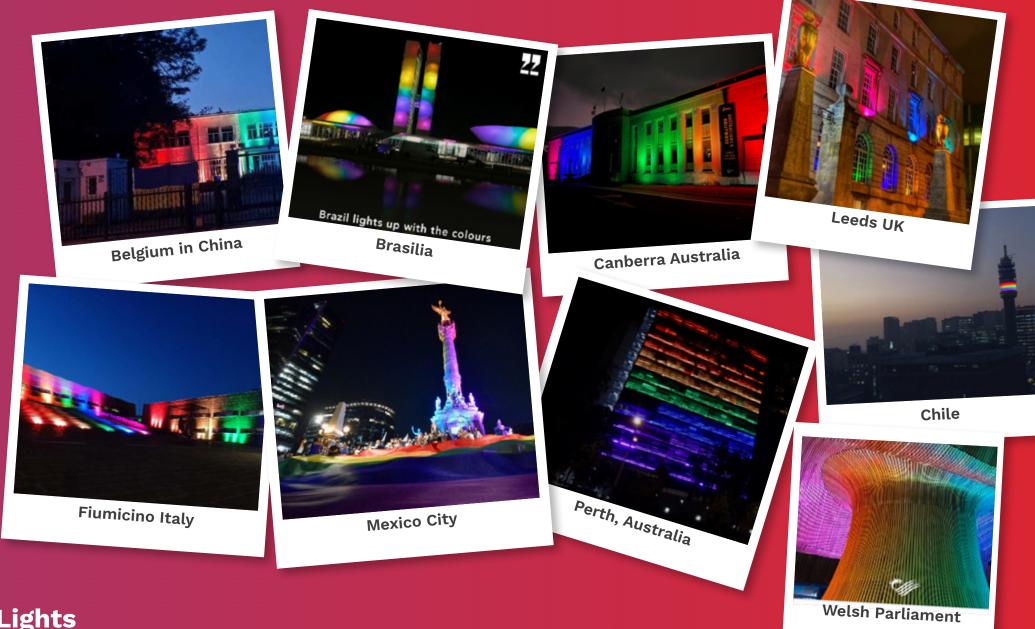


Munich, Germany, marched in solidarity with Ukraine

### **Embassies**

Around the world, many Embassies marked the Day with community events, declaration, photo shoots





## Lights

Displaying rainbow colored lights is one of the very popular ways to mark IDAHOBIT



EU delegation in Laos

Cork Ireland

EU in Brasil

Japan



President of the

**European Parliament** 

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**UN Secretary General** 

@SecBlinken

goal is a world free of

Secretary Antony Blinken

Every individual has the right to

live with dignity and respect. Our

discrimination and violence for our

**US Secretary of State** 

LGBTQI+ friends, colleagues, neighbors, and family. #IDAHOBIT

2:18pm - 17 May 2022 - Twitter for iPhone



**President of Montenegro** 

Major global political voices marked the Day again this year.



Nato

You will ALWAYS

have an ALLY in me"

#### **Posters**

Much creativity went this year again in creating visuals for the Day. The official global annual theme "Our Bodies Our Lives Our Rights" was strongly taken up by many actors.



### **Sports**









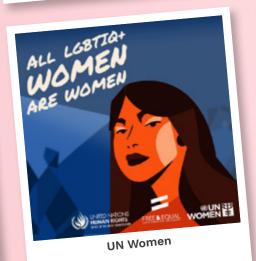
UN Free and Equal campaign released a beautiful video on family love and acceptance



UN High Commission for Refugees





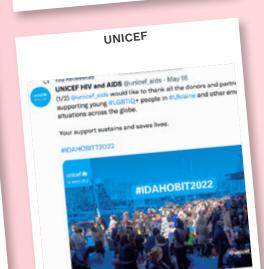






once again this year, most UN agencies marked the Day with special announcements and events.







































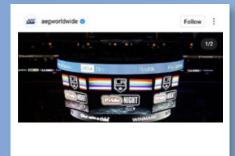






















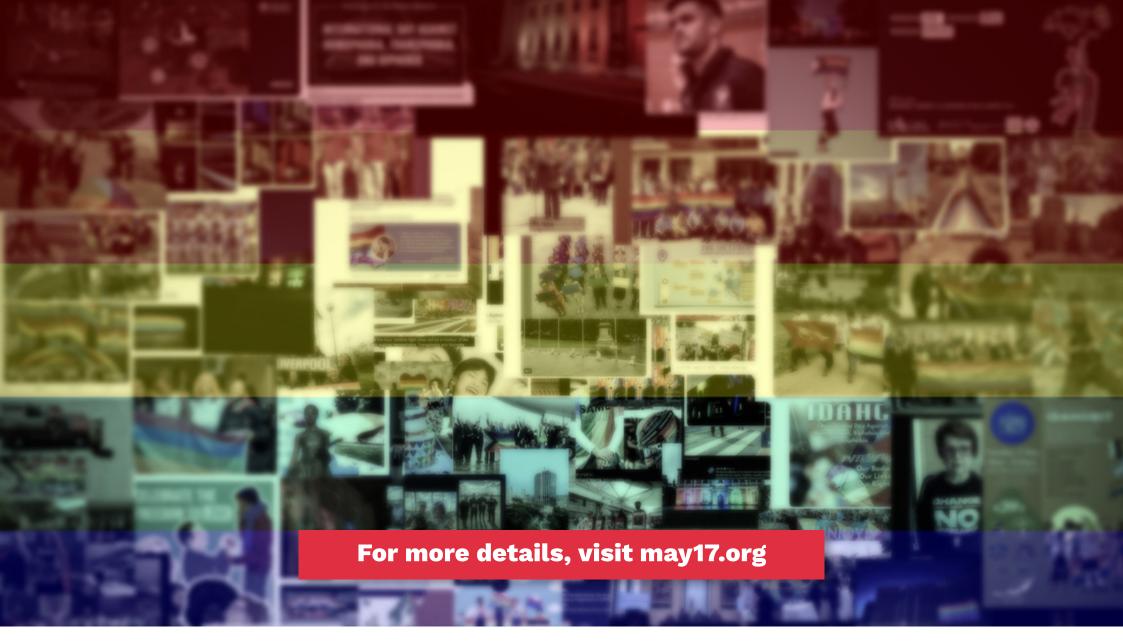








# **INSTAGRAM Snapshots**



INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA, TRANSPHOBIA & BIPHOBIA

MAY 17 A Worldwide Celebration of Sexual and Gender Diversities

