

NORDIC PARLIAMENTARIAN STATEMENT ON SRHR AND GENDER EQUALITY

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We, the Nordic All-Party Parliamentary Groups (APPGs) on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) and Gender Equality (GE), stand united in the face of rising global and regional opposition to fundamental human rights and equality. We reaffirm that SRHR and GE are cornerstones of our Nordic societies, and we commit to defending and advancing them at home and abroad.

In 2024, the Nordic ministers for Gender Equality and LGBT+ set a strong precedent through the *Pushing for Progress* strategy and in 2025 the CSO network, the Nordic Advocacy Consortium, was established to provide support for this Nordic collaboration at both parliamentary and ministerial level. Building on this momentum, we pledge to strengthen our collaboration across the Nordic countries to ensure that these rights remain protected and strengthened.

Shared Commitment and Action

We commit to:

- **Deepening Nordic Collaboration:** We will work together across Nordic parliamentary groups to share knowledge, coordinate strategies, to build capacity and resilience. We will strengthen the collaboration with other parliamentarians in the Nordic region including Iceland, the Faroe Islands, Greenland and Åland, to amplify our collective voice.
- **Unified Advocacy:** We will deliver strong, coordinated Nordic responses to counter anti-gender and anti-rights movements in the Nordics, Europe, and globally.
- **Protecting Multilateralism:** We will defend and uphold an inclusive and rules-based multilateral system grounded in international law, human rights, and gender equality.
- **Building Alliances:** We will coordinate and enhance our voice in multilateral forums and build alliances with countries and actors who share our commitment to SRHR and Gender Equality.
- **Defending Core Values:** We will actively address threats to SRHR and GE, including attacks on comprehensive sexuality education, LGBT+ rights, bodily autonomy, and human rights.
- **Raising Awareness:** We will maintain and strengthen public and political support for SRHR and GE as essential to equality, health, and human rights.

Our Ambition

Together with governments, multilateral organisations and civil society, we will build a robust, bold and proactive alliance to counter systematic and harmful anti-gender and anti-rights narratives and actions. We will take leadership in advancing human rights and gender equality at national, regional and global levels. By amplifying our collective voice, we will take strategic steps to reduce risks and safeguard lasting progress for generations to come.

We stand firmly. We act together. We are pushing for progress.

As agreed by:

The Swedish All-Party Parliamentary Group on SRHR and Gender Equality
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