



Joint Statement to mark the International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia (IDAHoBiT)

Today, on the **International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia (IDAHoBiT)**, we express our continued support for LGBTQIA+ persons. We use it as an opportunity to raise awareness, encourage dialogue, and reaffirm strong commitment to equality and non-discrimination in Kazakhstan and elsewhere.

We reiterate our pledge to advancing human rights and fostering societies where everyone can live openly and free from discrimination, participate safely in public life, and exercise their rights without fear of violence or repression.

This year’s theme, **“At the heart of democracy”** invites reflection on the importance of ensuring that democratic systems remain inclusive and responsive to all members of society. Diversity makes our societies resilient, innovative and truly representative.

Challenges persist across different regions, including discrimination, violence, and barriers to the full enjoyment of human rights by all. Ensuring that all individuals, including LGBTQIA+ persons can live freely, safely, and with dignity is essential in democracy. Equity and justice should be at the core of open and democratic societies, which are committed to the well-being and full development of every individual.

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