

Writing for diversity

Reporting on the realities of war in Ukraine and its impact on vulnerable groups

Networking trip
to Berlin

14th–20th November
2022

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Our mission is:

- Increase the visibility of the consequences of the war in Ukraine for vulnerable groups and the LGBTQ* community – also considering the topic of forced migration and the civil society's commitment in the Republic of Moldova, among other countries
- Promote cross-border collaboration between journalists and LGBTQ* activists and NGOs from Germany, Moldova and Ukraine
- Strengthen civil society work in the fields of LGBTQ*, human rights, prevention of discrimination and feminism

Your our project is about:

Russia's war of aggression is having devastating consequences for the people in Ukraine and the humanitarian situation on the ground. Countless people are experiencing bombardments, the deprivations of war, the loss of loved ones and the prospect of an uncertain future. Many people are fleeing within, or across, Ukraine's borders; they are met with great understanding and solidarity by people and NGOs from Germany and Moldova.

Everyone suffers severely when at war, but it particularly affects the most vulnerable groups in society, including representatives of the LGBTQ* community. Making the current situation of queer people visible in the media is the goal of the project. For this purpose, we invite journalists from Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Germany to a joint journalistic trip to Berlin. The study trip will focus on formats of cross-border journalistic exchange, talks with experts from the three project countries, meetings with representatives of the Ukrainian (LGBTQ*) diaspora, a professional exchange with security experts, and an intense dialogue with human rights and humanitarian organisations. We support the journalists in implementing their own journalistic projects.

Your contribution:

- Participation in the research trip to Berlin from **14th–20th November**. If required, we will cover your hotel costs (in a double-room) and your travel costs. In addition, we will gladly cover the programme and catering costs.
- You will carry out your own research project, which will be published in English on the websites

of the LGBTQ* NGOs, Gender Zed and GENDERDOC-M, after the research trip (by mid-December 2022). Further publications by you in different media are greatly desired.

- You actively contribute to the network meetings and are also willing to support other journalists with your contacts and expertise.

Who can apply?

The project is aimed at journalists from Germany, Moldova and Ukraine. We also invite journalists from the Ukrainian diaspora to apply. You should have a strong interest in civil society issues and show sensitivity when reporting on LGBTQ* issues and vulnerable groups. We place great emphasis on the diversity of the group and on different media in the project.

How do I apply?

Please apply by **30th August 2022** with your CV, a letter of motivation, and an initial research idea (the latter no more than one page) which you would like to realise during the research trip. Please submit your application in English and summarise the attachments all in one document.

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