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LGBT PROGRAMS TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN EUROPE AND EURASIA

USAID LAUNCHED LGBT RIGHTS ACTIVITIES

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USPA NEWS - This week, USAID - US Agency for International Development launched a publication to help development professionals implement LGBT-inclusive programs in the countries of Europe and Eurasia. LGBT people in Europe and Eurasia encounter a wide range of everyday discrimination, human rights violations

These violations are psychological trauma and sometimes physical violence. These legal, social and psychological conditions are described in an earlier USAID report called Testing the Waters: LGBT People in the Europe & Eurasia Region. This commitment in terms of international development was initially laid out in USAID's LGBT Vision for Action in June 2014. This week, USAID is launching a publication to help development professionals implement LGBT-inclusive programs in the countries of Europe and Eurasia: the Toolkit for Integrating LGBT Rights Activities into Programming in the E&E Region

INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENT TO HELP PROFESSIONALS IMPLEMENT LGBT PROGRAMS

"The new USAID toolkit presents case studies and advice for how LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) inclusion can advance development agendas. The programs focus specifically on LGBT rights, but also projects where LGBT people are part of a broader target population. The toolkit suggests that community leaders connect LGBT women entrepreneurs to business development programs that provide mentorship opportunities. The history of this commitment dates back to 2013 when the U.S. Embassy in Sarajevo illuminated its building with rainbow colors in support of International Day Against Homophobia". Source : Laura Adams serves as a AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellow at the U.S. Agency for International Development see <http://go.usa.gov>

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