

Action plan regarding institutional and practical matters of sexual orientation

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This is a project carried out by Co-Operation against Homophobia and ANTIGONE—Information and Documentation Centre on Racism, Ecology, Peace, and Non-Violence, within the 2007 - European Year of Equal opportunities for all.

The Aims and Objectives of the project

This project revolves around two main axes.

The Co-Operation against Homophobia is conducting research on films which address issues of homosexuality, bisexuality, and transsexuality. More specifically the objects of study are the following:

1. the homosexual, bisexual, transsexual themes addressed by directors
2. the expectations and the views of homosexual, bisexual, transsexual audiences
3. the perspectives of film distributors.

The results of this research will be useful, among others, for various bodies organising film festivals or featuring films with homosexual, bisexual or transsexual subject matter.

ANTIGONE—Information and Documentation Centre on Racism, Ecology, Peace, and Non-Violence is carrying out a survey of the views of University Professors and undergraduate/graduate students regarding the level and quality of Greek University education in the field of gay and lesbian studies. The survey examines and records whether students believe that they have sufficient knowledge of issues pertaining to homosexuality, bisexuality, and transsexuality and whether they consider that the knowledge, if any, that they have gained during their University studies, is adequate for them to deal with such issues when they start their professional activity as psychologists, educators, school teachers etc. The project is also examining whether Professors believe that the level of knowledge offered on gay and lesbian issues is satisfactory or whether they suggest the introduction of more specialised courses.

Project Activities

The project's main activities involve extensive research over the internet and through a large number of questionnaires and interviews. The results of the project will be communicated at a conference organised in December 2007 and published shortly thereafter.