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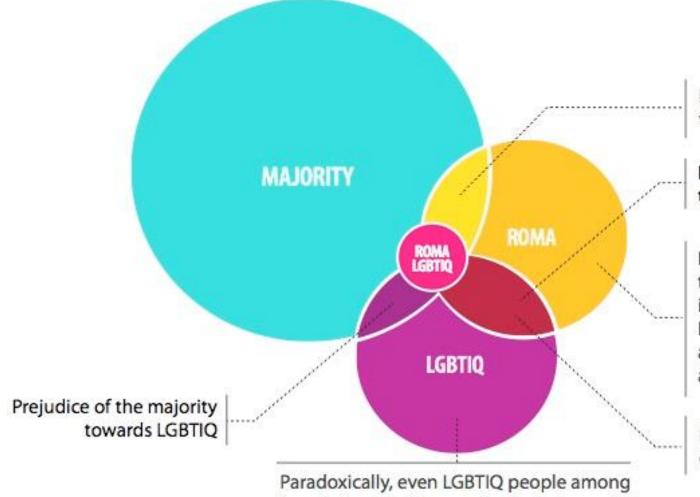


We firmly believe that all people are free and equal in dignity and in human rights.

The goal of our activities is to connect artivism, the majority society and other neglected groups such as LGBTIQ, the Roma minority, etc. We believe that through culture and through sharing of common experiences, barriers between people can be broken down.

What we want to be seen behind what we do is specific solutions for minorities and their daily difficulties.





the ethnic majority can discriminate against LGBTIQ Roma, especially on dating apps, in clubs etc.

Prejudices of the majority towards Roma

Prejudice of the Roma towards LGBTIQ

Romani culture is still very traditional and homosexuality is a taboo.

Excommunication from the family and community is not an unusual act of punishment.

Prejudice of the LGBTIQ community towards Roma



WHAT IS BEHIND US?

- **★** 2014 the first Roma LGBTIQ workshop in the Czech Republic
- ★ 2015 first international Roma LGBTIQ conference (Prague) output: Prague Declaration LGBTIQ of the Roma minority, 28 signatories from all over the world. In the same year The European LGBTIQ Roma, Sinti and Traveller Platform was created.
- **★** 2016 second international Roma LGBTIQ conference
- ★ In 2017, an online counseling center called www.reknu.to (I will say it) was established: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jVuyCEkLryE
- **★** From 2018 we have consultants in other regions of the Czech Republic (around 500 consultations provided annually)
- **★** 2019 methodology for providing counseling in working with the LGBTIQ Roma minority was published
- ★ In 2020, we received a grant from the European Commission to support systemic change at the national and international level

The consultancy I WILL SAY IT provides advice, support and help to the LGBT+Romany boys and girls in the Czech Republic. It offers counselling also to parents who do not know how to come to terms with the coming out of their children. The most frequent cases we solve.

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Excommunication from family and community



Bullying



Social Control



Fear of Coming out



"Only" the need to talk to someone



"ROMA LGBTIQ GOES VISIBLE"

What and when - the journey to systemic change?



08/2021

Analysis of the state of the LGBTIQ Roma minority

We will prepare an analysis of the situatin of the LGBTIQ Roma minority. We will ask not only the target group, but also the state authorities what they do for this group of people

09/2021-12/2021

Advocacy

We will present the results of the analysis at the round table to those who have the power to change things

04/2021-03/2022

WEB

We will publish examples of good practice, stories of LGBTIQ Roma and an interactive map of help across Europe on the web www.romalgbt.com

09/2021 - 01/2022

Awareness campaign

We will implement an online awareness campaign visible throughout Europe and we will also target the prejudices of the Roma

Are you asking how big group of people we are talking about?

15 000 000 of Roma lives in Europe

10% of Roma are from LGBTIQ community - at least 1,500,000 LGBTIQ Roma living in Europe.

Number of Roma in the Czech Republic and in the partner countries

cz approx. 300 000 of Roma - min. 30 000 Roma LGBTIQ

ни approx 750 000 of Roma - min. 75 000 Roma LGBTIQ

sк approx. 500 000 of Roma - min. 50 000 Roma LGBTIQ

Source: <u>Estimates on Roma population in European countries</u>, 2012



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