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## Resume: Board of Equinet

**Education:**

- 1994 Gimnazija Bežigrad – International Baccalaureate, Graduated
- 2002 Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ljubljana, Sociology

**Professional:**

- 2016 **Advocate of the Principle of Equality - Head of the Equality Body**  
(Setting up of the new Slovene Equality Body) ( ongoing)
- 2013 - 2016 **DIC LEGBITRA - Program director**  
(Marriage equality, HIV prevention& stigma, LGBTIQ community programmes)
- 2005 -2013 **Student Organization of the University of Ljubljana - Senior advisor**  
(Student social and economic rights policy and advocacy work)
- 2004 - 2005 **ILGA Europe - Assistant to the Director for Easter Europe, CoE and transgender issues**  
(Capacity building with members in Eastern Europe, Advocacy at CoE)

**Activism/NGO:**

- 1998 Founder of LGBT student group Legebitra
- 2001 Funder of the NGO DIC LEGBITRA (LGBT community and rights NGO)
- 2009 Founder of the Community-based HIV testing in Slovenia
- 2012 Coordinator of “Yes” campaign at marriage equality referendum
- 2014 Coordinator of Marriage equality legal change campaign (law adopted in 2016)

**International:**

- 1999 – 2002, IGLYO, International LGBT youth organization, Board member
- 2005 – 2007, ILGA Europe, International LGBT rights association, Board member
- 2019 – 2021, Equinet, European network of equality bodies, Board member

**RENEWAL OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF EQUINET – EUROPEAN NETWORK OF EQUALITY BODIES**

**MANDATE 2021 – 2023**

**CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM**

Please return this form to:

**Anne Gaspard**  
Executive Director  
Equinet Secretariat

By email: [Anne.Gaspard@equineteurope.org](mailto:Anne.Gaspard@equineteurope.org)

**Deadline for nominations: 22 October 2021**

<b>Name of the Equality Body and country</b>	Advocate of the Principle of Equality, Slovenia
<b>Name of Candidate:</b> <i>(First name Family Name)</i>	<b>Miha Lobnik</b>
<b>Position in the Member organisation:</b>	Head of the institution
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Please note that a nomination form will only be considered valid if it includes pages 1 and 2 fully completed and accompanied by a Resume/profile of the candidate in English.

The form also needs to be hand-sign and dated by the nominated candidate and the Head of the Member Organisation (if different).

The Secretariat will also need to receive a picture of the candidate (see page 4 of Elections guide).

**1. My motivation for becoming a member of the Equinet Executive Board:**

*(please explain why you would like to sit on the Equinet Executive Board)*

I aim to contribute to the work of the board team and offer my unique experience in international cooperation to the Equinet network. For the last five years, I have led the establishment of the Slovenian equality body. This year I was reelected by the Slovenian Parliament for another five-year mandate. During this time, I have gained experience that can help strengthen the network of equality bodies in Europe.


**2. Additional note or other relevant information relating to your application (if any):**

*(any information about yourself and your achievement that you think is important for people who will have to consider the quality of your candidacy)*

In the past, I have served as a board member of international organizations (IGYLO, ILGA Europe) and have experience working in international teams and organizing international events. I have worked extensively on connecting different international organizations and NGOs to coordinate efforts to achieve common goals.

As a board member of Equinet, I gained knowledge of how the organization is functioning. With this and my previous experiences from the fields of human rights, minorities and prevention of discrimination, I could contribute more to the Equinet policy and activities.

*Feel free to expand text boxes as you see fit.*

<p><b>Date:</b></p> <p>12.10.2021</p>	<p><b>Signature of the candidate:</b></p> 
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**Please note that your candidacy information will be communicated to all Equinet Members prior to the AGM**