

17 February, 2021

Dear member/ex-member,

The **Malta LGBTIQ Rights Movement** would like to invite you to the

Annual General Meeting

Date: Wednesday 17th March 2021

Venue: Zoom (online)

Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Should those wishing to volunteer or form part of the MGRM committee require an information session kindly call on 99255559. If you are interested in attending please send an email to mgrm@maltagayrights.org.

During the AGM, various important matters are dealt with, and this is why your presence would be greatly appreciated. As a member you have the right to democratically participate in shaping the organisation's short and long-term work and to become directly involved in it. You can do this through the following means:

- 1) Voting for the new Executive Board or standing as a candidate for the same Board:

Voting

Every MGRM member is entitled to vote for the persons they deem to be most fit to fulfil the several roles on the Committee. If there are candidates equal to the number of positions, a vote of confidence will be taken. Should the number of candidates exceed the number of positions, then an online voting system will be used. (Please ensure that your membership is valid; renewals can be made by sending a €20.00 cheque payable to the Malta LGBTIQ Rights Movement, specifying your name and membership number or online at www.maltgayrights.org.)

Nominations

There are the following positions on the Committee, which need to be filled, and which **may be contested**:

- i) The two Co-Coordiators
- ii) The Administrator
- iii) The Treasurer
- iv) Five members of the Steering Committee

Nominations of persons interested in contesting the various positions can be effected by filling in a nomination sheet (copy attached). Nomination sheets must be received by the Malta LGBTIQ Rights Movement (Electoral Commission) by 12.00, Monday, 15th March, 2021.

- 2) Putting forward Motions or amendments to the Statute for the consideration of the AGM.

As a member you also have the right to put forward motions (with a view to influencing the direction that the organisation is to take and to mandate the Board to take appropriate action) as well as to submit amendments to the Statute (which is the basic document of MGRM and which is available from our website). Deadlines for submitting motions or amendments is the same as that for nominations, i.e. by Monday, 15th March 2021 at noon.

The Agenda for the AGM will be as follows:

- (1) Appointment of chairperson;
- (2) Minutes: Report from the minutes and approval;
- (3) Statute: Proposed amendments and approval;

- (4) Annual Report;
- (5) Presentation of MGRM Work Plan 2021
- (6) Nomination and presentation of the candidates for the new Committee;
- (7) Election of the candidates for the contested roles;
- (8) Appointment of auditor;
- (9) Appointment of lawyer;
- (1) Decisions with regards to the motions presented by the Committee or other MGRM members.

To help you put this year's AGM in context, the minutes of last year's meeting have been attached. If you have any questions or require further details please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,

Cynthia Chircop and Colette Farrugia Bennett
Co-Coordinator
MGRM