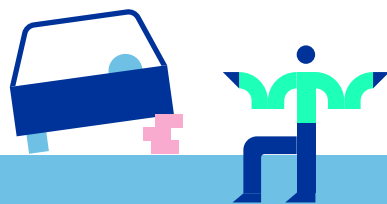


Challenges for progress towards equality

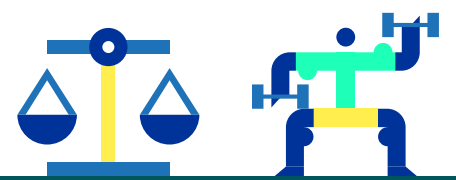
Efforts to advance equality moved ahead in some areas but remain stalled in others

EU developments

- Equal Treatment Directive still in **deadlock after 10 years of negotiations** in the Council of the EU. New EU financial instruments to support equality and non-discrimination proposed

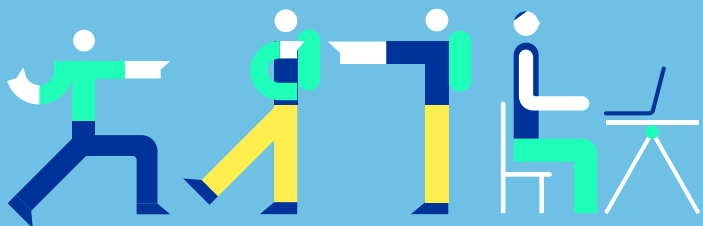


- Recommendation on standards for equality bodies highlights need to **strengthen their effectiveness and independence**



National developments

- Studies in several Member States show persistent **discrimination in employment and education** on various grounds

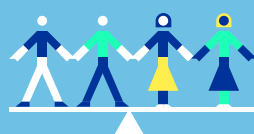


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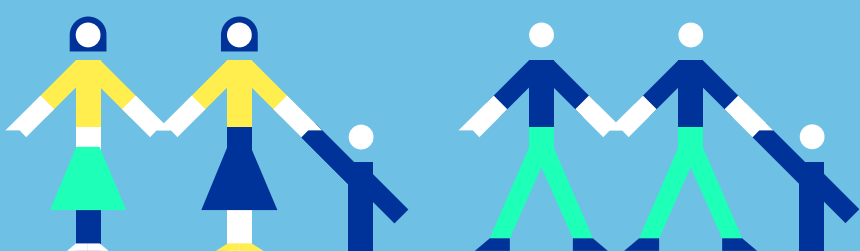


adopt action plans to improve

LGBTI equality



- Equality** 



for same-sex families advances

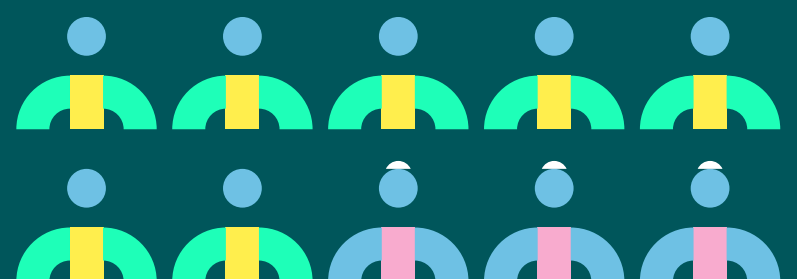
Religious symbolism controversial

- Laws banning religious clothing or symbols at work or in public spaces



continue to be questioned in court in some Member States

- 7/10** Jews



avoid publically wearing Jewish clothing or symbols, finds FRA survey