

LGBTIO+ DATA IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN



Who is involved, and where are we?

- In 2024, the <u>Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data</u> partnered with the Latin America and Caribbean (LAC) NGOs network <u>Red Sin Violencia LGBT</u> and the Colombian NGO <u>Colombia Diversa</u> to establish a space open to all actors in the data ecosystem, such as statistical institutes, civil society organizations, human rights institutions, multilateral organizations, the State, and academia.
- Under the principle "*Better data for better lives*," we established a multi-stakeholder platform for dialogue and taking action on developing and implementing a regional data agenda that promotes the use of information to guarantee human rights and improve the lives of LGBTIQ+ people.
- We held two virtual meetings in 2024, bringing together representatives from 20+ countries to discuss regional and global collaboration pathways to improve the representation and inclusion of LGBTQ+ people in data processes. We created these sessions recognizing the importance of incorporating various stakeholders and looking beyond traditional models of official data production.

Why is this initiative relevant?

Collecting accurate data on LGBTIQ+ people is essential for addressing human rights violations in Latin America and the Caribbean. Accurate and representative LGBTIQ+ data is not only necessary but also a catalyst for equitable and sustainable development.

The five prioritized work areas

- 1. Identify good practices, lessons learned, and challenges from previous measurement exercises of LGBTIQ+ data.
- 2. Formulate and implement an LGBTIQ+ data framework for Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 3. Humanize data, considering that behind the numbers, there are real-life stories.
- 4. Promote collaboration between stakeholders in the data ecosystem to improve the well-being of LGBTIQ+ persons.
- 5. Identify how to strengthen capacities and methodologies in data production processes.

Key impact

- Co-identified the five priority areas of work through consultations
- Representation and inclusion of 20+ countries across LAC
- Successful Pride Month campaign to raise awareness on the priority areas and increase advocacy for these efforts
- Currently building a robust implementation strategy for priority areas of work, with the support of partners and stakeholders across LAC, to implement activities around the five work areas within the advocacy and capacity-building scopes.

Get involved and contact us!

This initiative is a collaborative effort with ample opportunity to participate. If you work in government, CSOs, NGOs, private sector organizations, or academia and would like to learn more about this initiative, please <u>fill out this form</u>. You can also get in touch with the Global Partnership's Karen Chavez, LAC Program Manager (<u>kchavez@data4sdgs.org</u>), Fatuma Faarah, Campaign Officer (<u>ffaarah@data4sdgs.org</u>), and Red Sin Violencia LGBT's team (<u>sinviolencialgbti@gmail.com</u>).