



# 'Three Priorities'

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## The question

“From all the issues discussed at this seminar, please write down what you believe should be **our three top priorities for action and change** across the European region”

28 responses from 25 countries

# Privacy and Data Protection

10 responses focussed on data protection and privacy issues:

- 6 responses specifically referred to strengthening data protection legislation at the EU level
- 3 responses singled out confidentiality issues in healthcare settings

# Developing NGO capacity

9 responses focussed on NGO capacity in this area:

- 🎗 The main call was for best practice to be developed for European NGOs on how to advocate and litigate around HIV human rights issues
- 🎗 Linked to that were calls for financial support, and mentoring for non-EU NGOs
- 🎗 And for an improved legal standing for NGOs before the courts

## European coordination

- 8 responses stressed the need to continue and improve networking on legal, judicial and human rights issues:
- 🚫 2 responses mentioned the particular importance of this in relation to migrants, especially with the end of the AIDS & Mobility network
  - 🚫 Suggestions of a database, use of the internet, a 'forum', a 'regional structure'
  - 🚫 A comparative review of existing legislation/implementation for advocacy purposes; monitoring violation of treaties

## Other issues

- Ⓡ Access to treatment (7 responses esp. for migrants)
- Ⓡ Raise awareness of rights amongst PLWH (6)
- Ⓡ Raise awareness of HIV amongst courts, judges, police and lawyers (6 – linked to confidentiality in legal proceedings question)
- Ⓡ Non-discrimination in goods and services/insurance (5)
- Ⓡ End criminal prosecutions for HIV transmission (4)
- Ⓡ Agree European best practice on testing (4)
- Ⓡ Create 'model anti-discrimination law' re HIV (3)