

BREAKING THROUGH THE GLASS CEILING

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Session: LGBTI NGOs - Cracking the Glass

NGOs are and have been since ever the driving motor in improving the social status of their local LGBTI communities. Some of them reached their objectives, some are still fighting for basic rights. But we see also that many NGO's are looking to extend their focus and reach out to Corporates, and become more active in a business oriented environment.



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Marriage equality in the Czech Republic

What do we want?

- Marriage equality in the Czech Republic with full rights and responsibilities.



Is public ready?

61%

Czechs agree
that gays and

65%

lesbians

should be able

71%

to

Adopt

Marry

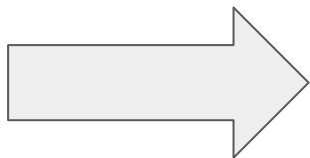
Adopt a stepchild

- **70 500** signatures under the petition for marriage equality



What is our strategy?

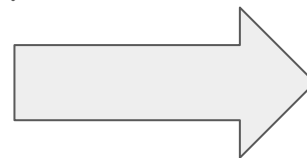
**Mobilization
of the
community**



**Public
awareness
campaign**



**Effective
Advocacy**



Who is Jsme fer?

- Coalition of 6 Czech NGOs
- 13 regional groups;
- Many supporters.



What have we done so far?



10/2017
ELECTIONS



06/2018
THE BILL

04/2017
START



05/2018
PETITION



What's next?



POSLEANEČKÁ
SNĚMOVNA
PARLAMENTU
ČESKÉ REPUBLIKY

Ongoing
Talk to them
campaign



Upper chamber
of the
Parliament



Lower chamber of
the Parliament



Ongoing
Public awareness
campaign

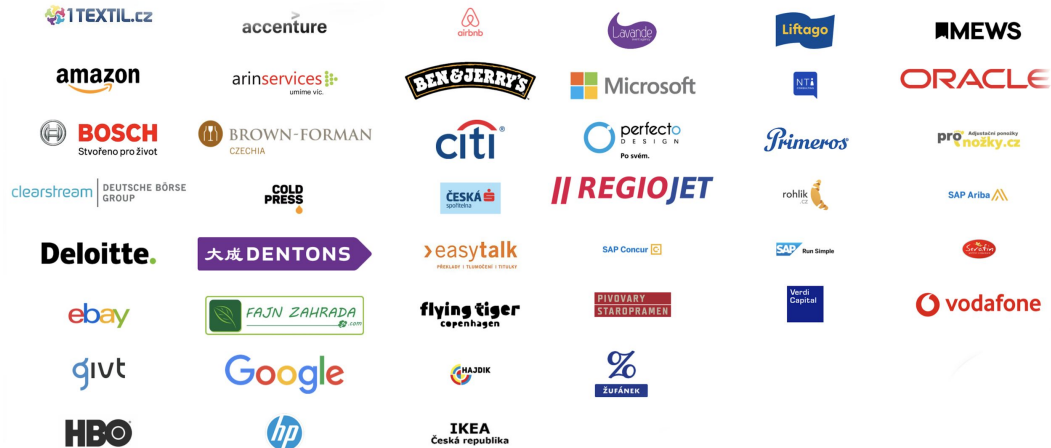
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PARLAMENTU ČESKÉ REPUBLIKY

President



Outside support

- Mayors, believers; organisations; celebrities
- **Business**
 - Pledge (62 companies, including traditional Czech companies)
 - Open letter to PM (12 CEOs)



Thank you
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