

**48 Session of the UPR working group**

**Recommendations by Finland to Italy**

**20th January 2025**

Chair,

Finland welcomes the engagement of Italy in the UPR process. We acknowledge the actions of Italy to counter gender-based violence.

In a spirit of dialogue we recommend:

1. First, to establish without delay an independent national human rights institution, in full compliance with the UN Paris Principles,
2. Second, to enhance enforcement of anti-discrimination laws and to further tackle gender-based violence and strengthen support systems for victims of domestic abuse.
3. Third, to improve legal protection of LGBTIQ+ people, and to promote legislation that recognizes both same-sex parents, as well as access to adoption for same-sex couples.

We wish Italy a successful review.

Thank you.