**Statement by Iceland**

**UPR38 - Estonia**

Madam President,

Iceland welcomes the delegation of Estonia. We welcome Estonia’s commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights and note in particular the clear progress in the field of gender equality and the well-developed system of protection and support for victims of gender-based and domestic violence.

Iceland makes the following recommendations:

1. Amend the Equal Treatment Act so that discrimination is prohibited on all grounds in all spheres of society.

2. Adopt marriage equality legislation, extending full marriage rights to same-sex couples.

3. Add gender identity to the prohibited grounds in Articles 151 and 152 of the Criminal Code.

4. Change the regulation of gender recognition by separating the processes of medical and legal gender recognition and ensure that legal gender recognition is based on self- determination.

I wish Estonia all success for its review.

I thank you