

## Technical Review Panel Member

### Curriculum Vitae

Name: Anna Kirey

Nationality: Ukraine

Additional languages: English, Russian, Ukrainian

Expertise: gender, human rights, LGBTI issues, Central Asia, Eastern Europe

### Qualifications

Qualification	Institution	Department	Year
Master of Arts	University of North Carolina	Russian and East European Studies	2015
Master of Arts	UN-mandated University for Peace	Gender in Peacebuilding	2004
Bachelor of Arts	American University of Central Asia	Journalism, International and Comparative Politics	2003

### Employment History

Employer	Position	Place	Year
Amnesty International	Deputy Director for Campaigns in Russia and Eurasia	London, the UK	2016-present
Open Society Foundations	Senior Program Officer	New York, United States	2014-2016
Human Rights Watch	Researcher, Fellow	New York, United States	2012-2014
University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill	Teaching and research fellow	Chapel Hill, United States	2010-2012
Sexual Rights Initiative	Consultant	Global	2008-2011
LGBTI Organization Labrys	Senior Advisor (previously executive director, advocacy coordinator) LGBT Organization "Labrys", Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.	Kyrgyzstan	2005-2012

## Relevant Publications

### Academic research

*Homosexuality: realities of Kyrgyzstan* ed. (Labrys, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan 2007) in Russian and Kyrgyz, available at [http://labrys.kg/files/gomoseksualnost\\_v\\_kg.pdf](http://labrys.kg/files/gomoseksualnost_v_kg.pdf)

Wilkinson, Cai and Kirey, Anna(2010) 'What's in a name? The personal and political meanings of 'LGBT' for non-heterosexual and transgender youth in Kyrgyzstan', *Central Asian Survey*, 29: 4, 485 – 499  
<http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/02634937.2010.533970#preview>

Research report with Kartini Network. Oral history of activism, formal and non-formal organizing by women-loving women and transgender organizing in Central Asia (2011)  
<http://www.isiswomen.org/phocadownload/print/isispub/Women-Loving-Women.pdf#page=6>

### Selected UN submissions

Joint submission on sexual rights in Kyrgyzstan which led to a number of recommendations accepted by the Kyrgyz government during the UPR session in May 2010. Report is available here: [http://lib.ohchr.org/HRBodies/UPR/Documents/Session8/KG/JS1\\_UPR\\_KGZ\\_So8\\_2010\\_Joint\\_Submission1.pdf](http://lib.ohchr.org/HRBodies/UPR/Documents/Session8/KG/JS1_UPR_KGZ_So8_2010_Joint_Submission1.pdf)

Joint submission on sexual rights in Kazakhstan <http://sexualrightsinitiative.com/wp-content/uploads/Kazakhstan-UPR-7.pdf>

Joint submission on sexual rights in Azerbaijan <http://sexualrightsinitiative.com/wp-content/uploads/Azerbaijan-UPR-4.pdf>

Joint submission on sexual rights in Uzbekistan <http://sexualrightsinitiative.com/wp-content/uploads/Uzbekistan-UPR-3.pdf>

Human Rights Watch's submission for UN Human Rights Committee's review of Ukraine  
<http://www.hrw.org/news/2013/06/20/submission-ukraine-un-human-rights-committee>

### Op-eds and press releases

Open Society Foundations:

To Stem Violence, States Must Recognize Trans Identities, November 20, 2015.

<http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/voices/stem-violence-states-must-recognize-trans-identities>

Huffington Post:

November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013 'Evaluated' to Be Yourself: Ukraine's Flawed Gender Recognition Procedure.

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/anna-kirey/evaluated-to-be-yourself\\_b\\_4318276.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/anna-kirey/evaluated-to-be-yourself_b_4318276.html)

November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008. A Land Where Nobody is Safe. [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/anna-kirey/a-land-where-nowhere-is-s\\_b\\_134972.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/anna-kirey/a-land-where-nowhere-is-s_b_134972.html)

Human Rights Watch:

"They Said We Deserved This": Police Violence Against Gay and Bisexual Men in Kyrgyzstan, Human Rights Watch (January 2014)

Ukraine: EU Should Raise LGBT Rights at Summit

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2013/02/21/ukraine-eu-should-raise-lgbt-rights-summit>

Ukraine: Reject Discriminatory LGBT Laws <http://www.hrw.org/news/2013/04/16/ukraine-reject-discriminatory-lgbt-laws>

Ukraine: Investigate Violence Against LGBT Activists

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2013/05/30/ukraine-investigate-violence-against-lgbt-activists>

Dispatches: To Be or Not to Be - Anti-discrimination and LGBT Rights in Ukraine

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2013/11/04/dispatches-be-or-not-be-anti-discrimination-and-lgbt-rights-ukraine>

Russia: Reject Homophobic Bill. Investigate Threats, Attacks on Peaceful Protests

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2013/01/26/russia-reject-homophobic-bill>

Dispatches: Kyrgyzstan Picks Homophobic Bill Over Europe Ties

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2014/04/15/dispatches-kyrgyzstan-picks-homophobic-bill-over-europe-ties>