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Milla Aaltonen
Milla Aaltonen works as a Project Manager coordinating Facts Against Hate Project at the Ministry of Justice. The project develops actions against hate crime and hate speech. Previously Aaltonen has worked in human rights organisations focusing on discrimination, equality and rights of a child.

Thomas Blomqvist
Thomas Blomqvist (RKP) is the Minister for Nordic Cooperation and Equality of Finland since 2019. Before being elected to Member of Parliament in 2007, he worked as a farmer and an entrepreneur. He still has his farm and home in Raseborg, in southern Finland, where he lives with his family.

David Brax
David Brax, PhD, is a Senior Advisor at the Swedish Secretariat for Gender Research. He has worked with hate crime in different research projects since 2011. Brax was an editor of a hate crime special issue of the Journal of Interpersonal Violence (2014) and co-editor of the book series “The psychology of hate crime as domestic terrorism” (2016).

Eyrún Eyþórsdóttir
Eyrún Eyþórsdóttir is an assistant professor in police studies in the faculty of social science of the University of Akureyri, Iceland, and a former police detective chief inspector in hate crimes and police minority relations. Eyrún is defending her PhD in Social Anthropology from the University of Iceland next January. Her main research interests are hate crimes, hate speech and discrimination, police relations to minorities, migration and migrant identities. Eyrún teaches police and diversity, hate crimes/biased crimes, prejudice, minority relations and white supremacy/extremism both at the University of Akureyri and the Police continues education center.
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Pål Tore Haga
Pål Tore Haga is Police Chief Superintendent in the Norwegian police with more than 20 years’ experience. He has specialized into serious sexual gender-based violation, including murder crime investigation, both as investigator and head of investigations. Since 2016 Haga has worked as Head of Western Police district educational and overall prevention work against radicalisation and violent extremism.

Antero Kiviniemi
Antero Kiviniemi works at the European Commission (DG JUST) on equality and non-discrimination issues. He is actively involved in the preparation and implementation of the Union of Equality priority initiative. The EU’s first-ever LGBTIQ Equality Strategy from November 2020 is part of that initiative. Kiviniemi is responsible for running EU’s newly established governmental LGBTIQ expert group.

Johanna Korhonen
Johanna Korhonen is a journalist with professional interest and personal experience of discrimination. Recently, she has been working as a freelance editor producing material for Facts Against Hate Project at the Ministry of Justice.

Paula Lehtomäki
Paula Lehtomäki is the Secretary General of the Nordic Council of Ministers, since 2019. She has served as an MP for 16 years, and during that time she was Minister of Foreign Trade and Development and also Minister of the Environment. Lehtomäki also served as a member of the Nordic Council from 1999 to 2003.
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**Line Christmas Møller**
Line Christmas Møller manages the Nordic Council of Ministers’ work on mainstreaming gender perspectives, youth and sustainable development, in line with the Council’s newly endorsed policy. She also advises on and develops projects for the Nordic ministers for gender equality and LGBTI, such as State of Nordic Fathers and the initiative behind Seven challenges for LGBTI equality.

**Ole Ritter**
Ole Ritter is a police officer, working in the Danish National Police with crime prevention. Since 2020 he has been responsible for the area of hate crime prevention. Ritter’s field of work includes e.g. education of police officers and dialogues with stakeholders.

**Kina Sjöström**
Kina Sjöström is team leader at RFSL Support Service – a national support for LGBTQI victims of harassment, threat and violence in Sweden. She has been working with victims of hate crime since 2012. Sjöström works with both emotional and practical support, as well as educating and advocacy within the field.

**Corinna Tammenmaa**
Corinna Tammenmaa is Head of the Unit for Autonomy and Equality. The Unit’s tasks include matters related to the autonomy of the Åland Islands, linguistic rights, Sámi and indigenous peoples’ rights and equality. Before this, she worked several years at the Ministry as Senior Adviser for Language Affairs.
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