# Urgent Letter to President of Portugal: Don’t Turn Back the Clock!

Two weeks ago, the Parliament of Portugal was celebrated for adopting a law that would base legal gender recognition on self-determination. In what should only be a formal procedure, the president of Portugal is now threatening to jeopardise what has been developed in a democratic process by announcing his intention to veto the law. If he proceeds with this, once sent back to Parliament, the proposal would need a 2/3 majority to be adopted.

Echoing a letter from 14 Portuguese civil society organisations, TGEU, ILGA-Europe and OII Europe have written to the president urging him NOT to turn back the clock, but to sign the law to make self-determination a reality in Portugal.

Read the letter