INTERSEX PEOPLE FACE OBSTACLES IN REGARDS OF LEGAL RECOGNITION

One in five intersex survey respondents faced obstacles when registering their civil status or gender in a public document.

These include bureaucratic obstacles

58%

41% denials of service or ridicule or harassment by officials or staff

44% and violations of privacy: personal or sensitive data was exposed or not protected

19%

Reasons given by intersex respondents for not yet having legal gender changed:

- I don't want to
- I don't think it's necessary
- I would like to do so in the future
- I think it's too expensive
- I do not agree with the provisions of the law
- I do not fulfil the requirements of the law
- I don't know if I can
- I think it's too difficult
- There is no legal procedure in this country to change my legal gender

16% of intersex respondents changed their legal gender status

7%

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On Gender Classifications

Excerpt from Malta Declaration (Decisions of the Third International Intersex Forum 2013):

- To register intersex children as females or males, with the awareness that, like all people, they may grow up to identify with a different sex or gender.
- To ensure that sex or gender classifications are amendable through a simple administrative procedure at the request of the individuals concerned. All adults and capable minors should be able to choose between female (F), male (M), non-binary or multiple options.
- In the future, as with race or religion, sex or gender should not be a category on birth certificates or identification documents for anybody.

https://oiieurope.org/malta-declaration/