

Queer Activism

About the Destruction of Gay Life

Unconditional obedience is once again being demanded from gay men. Not by “heteronormative” men, but by queer activists and their supporters. What is sold as “progress” amounts to the destruction of gay life.

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A truly glorious future is allegedly awaiting gay men in Germany: Diversity, variety, and tolerance are supposedly at the top of the agenda, and many people continuously show their solidarity. They leave no opportunity to emphasize how progressive they are. Anyone who does not participate is lectured on what is right, and entire societal sectors – such as culture – are firmly in rainbow hands.

There is almost a competition of political correctness taking place. Beautiful, colorful flags are everywhere, and the public broadcasting service shines through an omnipresent diversity offensive aimed at increasing the acceptance of queer lifestyles. It seems as though a continuous celebration of tolerance is occurring, and Germany appears to be a safe harbor for gay men and others in the rainbow.

However, the realization is spreading that it is all more of a facade. The diversity offensive from the media, politics, and “Allies” – as heterosexual allies of queer people refer to themselves – is apparently leading to increased rejection. Those who do not agree with a certain worldview are fundamentally suspected. Instead of bringing people along, a heavy-handed approach is used – and more and more observers see the proud “progressive flag” as a symbol of failed queer politics, which stands against the rights of women and homosexuals.

The shiny world is cracking, and tolerance is reaching its limits. After a few years of calm, things have become turbulent, and how it will end is still uncertain. Not only do gay men reject the label “queer” for themselves because they struggle with the associated politics and toxic atmosphere, but others do as well. This politics has consequences, and these consequences are becoming increasingly evident.

The Rejection is Obvious

Actual neo-Nazis are back on the streets, openly displaying their hatred. Critical gay men are marginalized, ostracized, and defamed by state agencies and parts of the rainbow. No-go areas in Berlin, Islamism, and the increasing rejection of our way of life by people from cultures that are hostile to us. This can no longer be denied. While some denounce Islamophobia and racism, a gay teacher is simultaneously bullied, and other issues are surfacing.



Gay men who have supposedly left discrimination by religious fanaticism, intolerance, and hatred behind them are once again confronted with it. Welcome to Germany in 2025 – a country that disenfranchises gay men and can once again shine with an anti-gay law that at least morally criminalizes gay men and threatens them with fines. However, the culprits are not supposedly conservatives or heterosexuals, but a completely misguided policy in the name of tolerance and the rainbow, accompanied by an overheated atmosphere that excludes and divides. When was the moment that advocating for one's own needs and demanding one's own safe spaces was declared a moral crime?

The Consequences are Becoming Visible

The so-called Self-Determination Act is increasingly interfering in everyday life. The public prosecutor's office is addressing the issue of misgendering, i.e., the accusation of addressing a person with supposedly incorrect pronouns, despite biology saying otherwise. The first legal disputes are already known, and it is being clarified, for example in the dispute over the access rights of biological men to safe spaces for women, whether house rights still apply or not.

Many still remember the words of Minister Marco Buschmann (FDP), who assured at the presentation of the Self-Determination Act that nothing would change for anyone and that house rights would still apply. How wrong he was is shown by several cases, and after just a few months, the predicted disaster is becoming apparent. The most prominent case is probably that of a trans woman demanding membership in an Erlangen gym that is only for women. This case has even made it into national news.

Everyone should take the time to read the Self-Determination Act to understand how deeply it impacts society, restricts freedom of expression, and cuts parental rights. For example, if parents oppose a change in their child's gender registration, the family court gets involved.

The problem lies not only within the Self-Determination Act. It is a mixture of various factors that should be considered as a whole. Many want a lot of good, but unfortunately, much of what follows harms more than it helps.

The main problem can be summarized in one word: coercion. Gay men are supposed to be forced to open up; they are to be compelled to redefine themselves. They are to be made to lie while simultaneously keeping silent and accepting everything as it is presented to them. Unconditional obedience is expected, and those who do not follow are out. However, it is not the "heteronormative" man who shows critical gay men the door, but colorful activists and their "Allies."

Why the Self-Determination Act is Rejected

What is sold as "progress" is nothing but the destruction of gay life. The Self-Determination Act redefines the gay man. What counts is identity, social gender, and gender role (gender), not biological sex (sex). But what is homosexuality when it is replaced by gender? Nothing. There is a clear new definition of gender, along with a new definition of sexual orientation. Sex is, however, fundamental to the rights of gay men.

Gay man equals adult person of male gender. Sexual orientation is homosexuality – “same sex attracted.” That is the definition from Just Gay Germany. An organization that the author of these lines leads, which advocates for the interests of gay men based on biological sex. Those who believe that the foundation of gender is a sexual identity or a gender identity fall under the umbrella of freedom of expression. The problem, however, is what has transpired: homosexuality is being rendered into an identity. This leads to the loss of gay spaces and their infrastructure. What matters now? Sex or gender? The answer is “gender.” Not only does the law confirm this, but so does the funding policy of the federal government, states, and municipalities. There is virtually no gay infrastructure left, and the last “gay” spaces are being made compliant through funding policies. Funding is given only to those who are inclusive, not exclusive.

The prohibition of disclosure, part of the Self-Determination Act, even stipulates fines of up to 10,000 euros if the actual gender is mentioned. It is one of the most absurd passages of the law because everyone can change their gender annually. We are to be forced to lie, which is a clear attack on free speech. There is a risk of being legally prosecuted because Just Gay Germany receives accusations of discrimination. Practically, this means that Just Gay Germany would be forced to accept women who declare themselves to be men.

Further Causes of the Current Situation

Not so long ago, an organization that advocates for the needs and interests of homosexual men would have been celebrated. But those times are over. The author of these lines receives calls from desperate gay men who are effectively ostracized from everything for criticizing queer politics and expressing pro-Just Gay views. Every debate is stifled at its inception. Those who refuse to be educated must leave. Even state agencies are excluding Just Gay Germany on the grounds that we are exclusive and have problematic attitudes toward gender issues.

There have unfortunately been repeated instances in the past where history has been falsified and reinterpreted. The events of Stonewall (a series of legendary protests primarily from the gay scene that took place in June 1969 in New York City; editor’s note) have long been misrepresented, and facts have simply been distorted. They are told that it was not gay people in the forefront but queers and trans people. Gay men are confronted with this assertion to demand more gratitude from them. However, this is not only inappropriate but outright historical revisionism.

One explanation of how all this could take hold is, among other things, that millions in funding have flowed over the years, allowing queer politics to gradually establish itself in the world of the rainbow. That activists would use this to push critical gay men out came as a surprise, unfortunately.

Are Queers Solely to Blame for the Misery?

Are queers and their politics now solely to blame for the dilemma? That would be too simple, as this group is not homogeneous either. They do not represent all any more than we represent all gay men. It is not about the queer person but parts of the policy and the developments that stem from it. There are also queers who express criticism and find it absolutely inappropriate how gay men and women are treated. They also view the mentioned developments with great concern.

A misdevelopment began after the “Marriage for All.” Volunteer positions were abandoned; these seemed no longer necessary. We did not want to and could not see that queer and gender would increasingly assert themselves as a political force and use established structures for their benefit. Another problem is that there has never been a clear definition of gender in Germany. The biological sex of the man was so self-evident that there was no reason to question it.

However, we should have seen and intervened early when it became increasingly evident that identity was now the key factor and not the gender as we define it. Alarm bells should have sounded when terms like “sexual identity” and “gender identity” were introduced and when the Self-Determination Act came into discussion. For many of us, it was simply not foreseeable what this would mean and what consequences it would all entail.

What are the Consequences?

Forcing gay men to recognize women as gay men when they define themselves as such is nothing other than humiliation. Justifying this with diversity and tolerance is perfidious. It is evidently about nothing other than enforcing one's own political goals. This begins with language. Those who force gay men through moral condemnation and fines to use language that recognizes women as gay men not only act in a gay-hostile manner but also ultimately endorse the conversion of gay men.

In the past, not everything was better, but at least there was the principle of respecting the boundaries of others. An elemental question arises now: Must organizations like Just Gay Germany actually beg for their fundamental rights again and justify themselves for being an organization that is exclusively open to gay men according to their definition? Just Gay Germany says no.

In summary, we see the beginning of disenfranchisement and the criminalization of gay men. The toxic atmosphere, the funding policies, the increasing uncertainty, and the loss of safe spaces mean the total destruction of gay life. It is therefore urgently necessary to resist and set boundaries against others. And yes, more and more groups based on sex are being formed around the world. Brave women and now increasingly more homosexuals are rising up and clearly distancing themselves from queer politics. We are also receiving increased support from heterosexuals.

Worldwide, the Counter-Movement is Growing

I am receiving news that another LGB group has been established in the USA and Ireland, explicitly stating that TQ will be excluded – and with a clear distancing from queer politics. It seems as though everything is falling apart, and alongside the polarization, the division is being driven further. Time cannot be turned back, but for the future, we can do many things better. For example, we should no longer be so naive and trust that everything is given and will remain so.

Meanwhile, the new government is urgently advised to find solutions and bring all sides together for the announced evaluation. The author of these lines has reached the end and receives the news that there will be a female Queer Commissioner in the future government under a new title. There are nice words like “sensitization” and “building bridges” being heard. The former Queer Commissioner applauds, and political representatives with the progressive flag in the background show enthusiasm. Not a good sign.

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