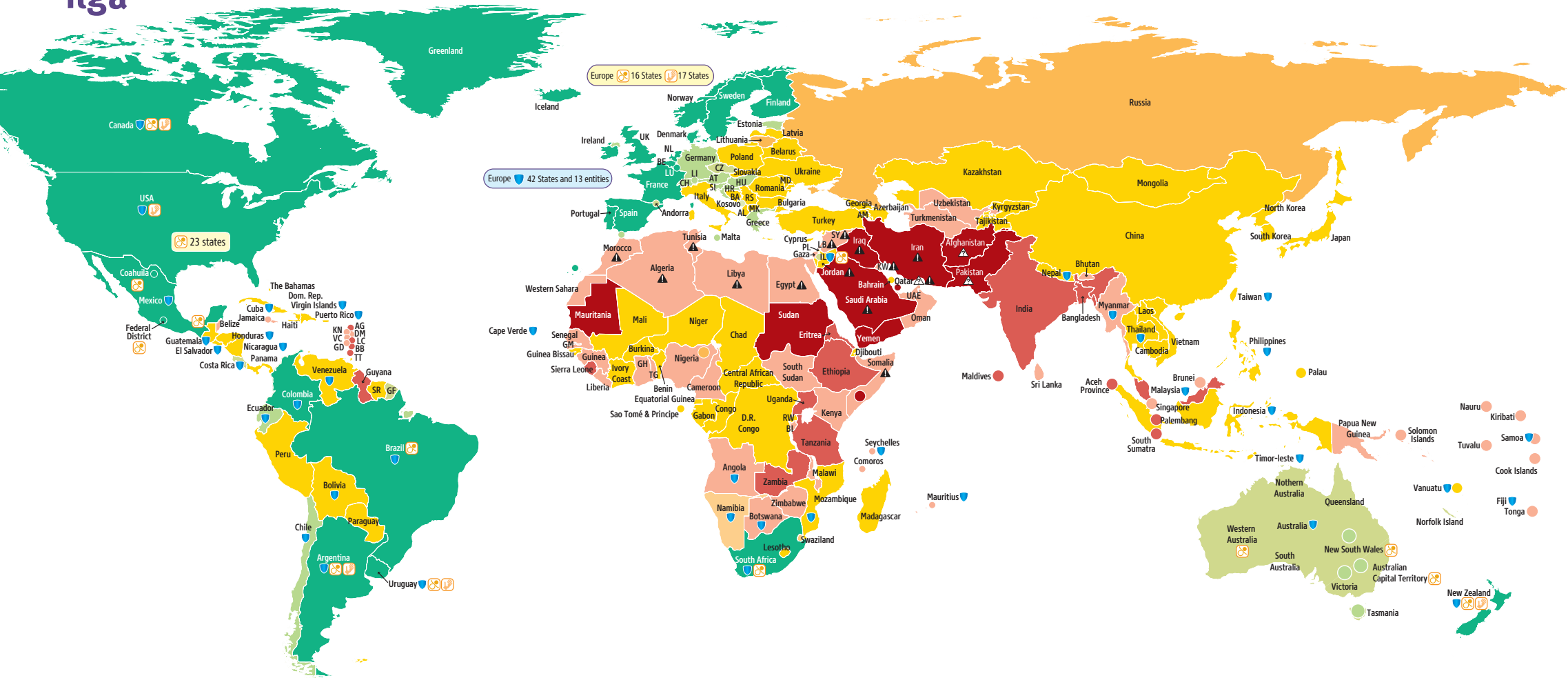




SEXUAL ORIENTATION LAWS IN THE WORLD - OVERVIEW

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CRIMINALISATION

IMPRISONMENT
75 countries and 5 entities

DEATH PENALTY
13 States [or parts of]

Death penalty not known to be implemented

Morality laws (religion-based) that limit LGB freedom of expression and association

Death penalty
Imprisonment 14 Y - Life
Imprisonment up to 14 years
Promotion ('propaganda') laws limiting freedom of expression
No penalty specified

PROTECTION

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAWS
76 countries and 85 entities

Includes employment, Constitution, other non-discrimination protections, hate crime and hate speech.

NO SPECIFIC LEGISLATION

Laws penalising same-sex sexual acts decriminalised, or never existed

RECOGNITION

RECOGNITION OF SAME-SEX UNIONS
34 countries and 65 entities

JOINT ADOPTION
27 countries and 28 entities

SECOND PARENT ADOPTION
17 countries and parts of Italy



Marriage
Equal (almost equal) substitute to marriage
Clearly inferior substitute to marriage

The data represented in this map, and the three accompanying separate maps on Criminalisation, Protection and Recognition, are based on *State-Sponsored Homophobia: a World Survey of Sexual Orientation Laws: Criminalisation, Protection and Recognition*, an ILGA report by Aengus Carroll. The report and these maps are available in the six official UN languages: English, Chinese, Arabic, French, Russian and Spanish on www.ilga.org. This edition of the world map (May 2016) was coordinated by Aengus Carroll and Renato Sabbadini (ILGA), and designed by Eduardo Enoki (eduardo.enoki@gmail.com).