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Empowering LGBTIQ+ Employee Networks

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# Background of Rainbow Lions

### **Our history**

- Rainbow Lions NL founded in 2003
- Global Rainbow Lions networks in Australia, Belgium, Germany,
  Luxemburg, Netherlands, Philippines, Spain, Poland, United Kingdom,
  United States.

#### **Current board**







Sophie Jeckmans Vice Chair



Ezra Clarke



Rick Pieters Treasurer



Marc Smulders



Sandra van Scheppingen



Bernado Domingos



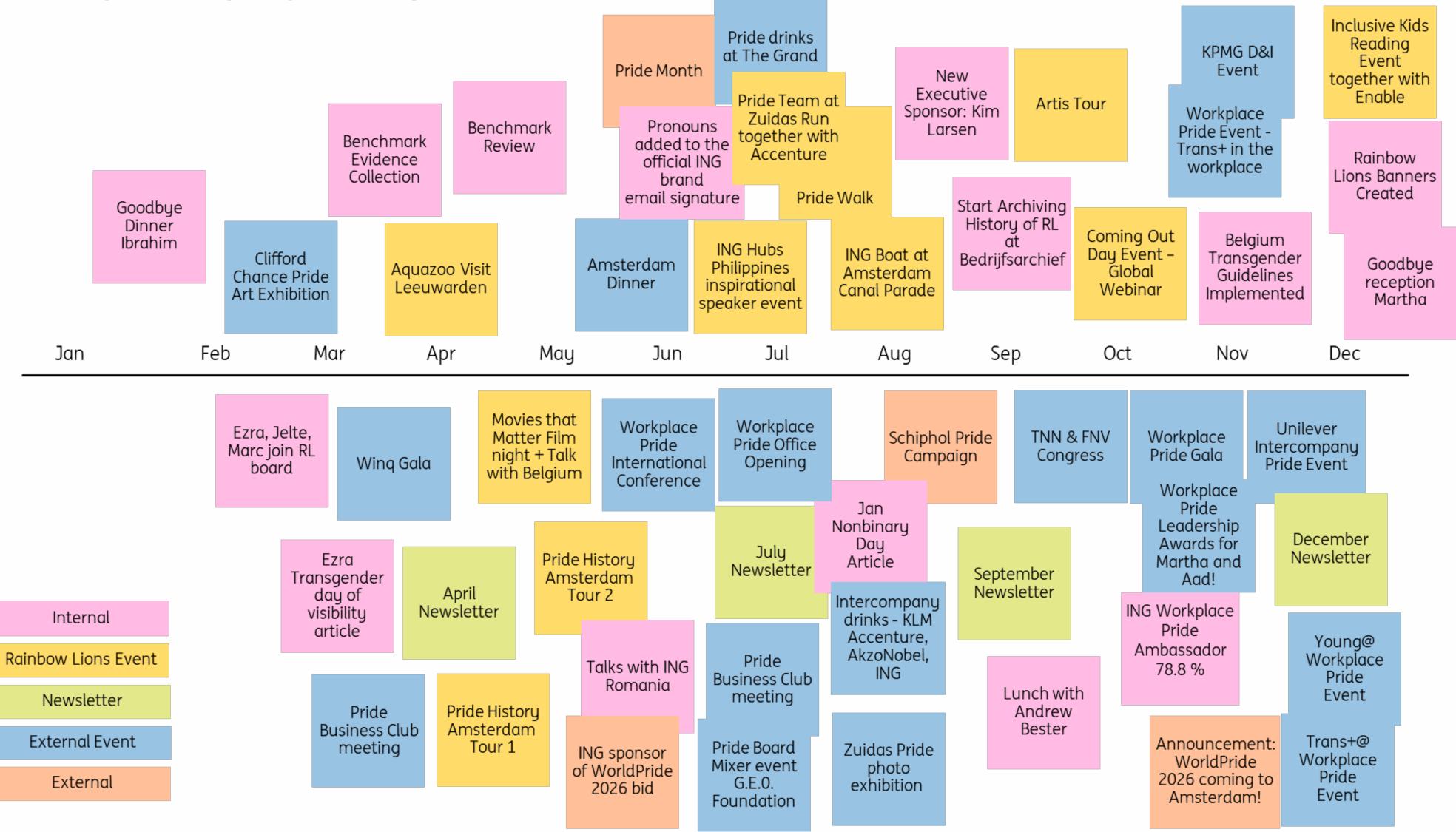
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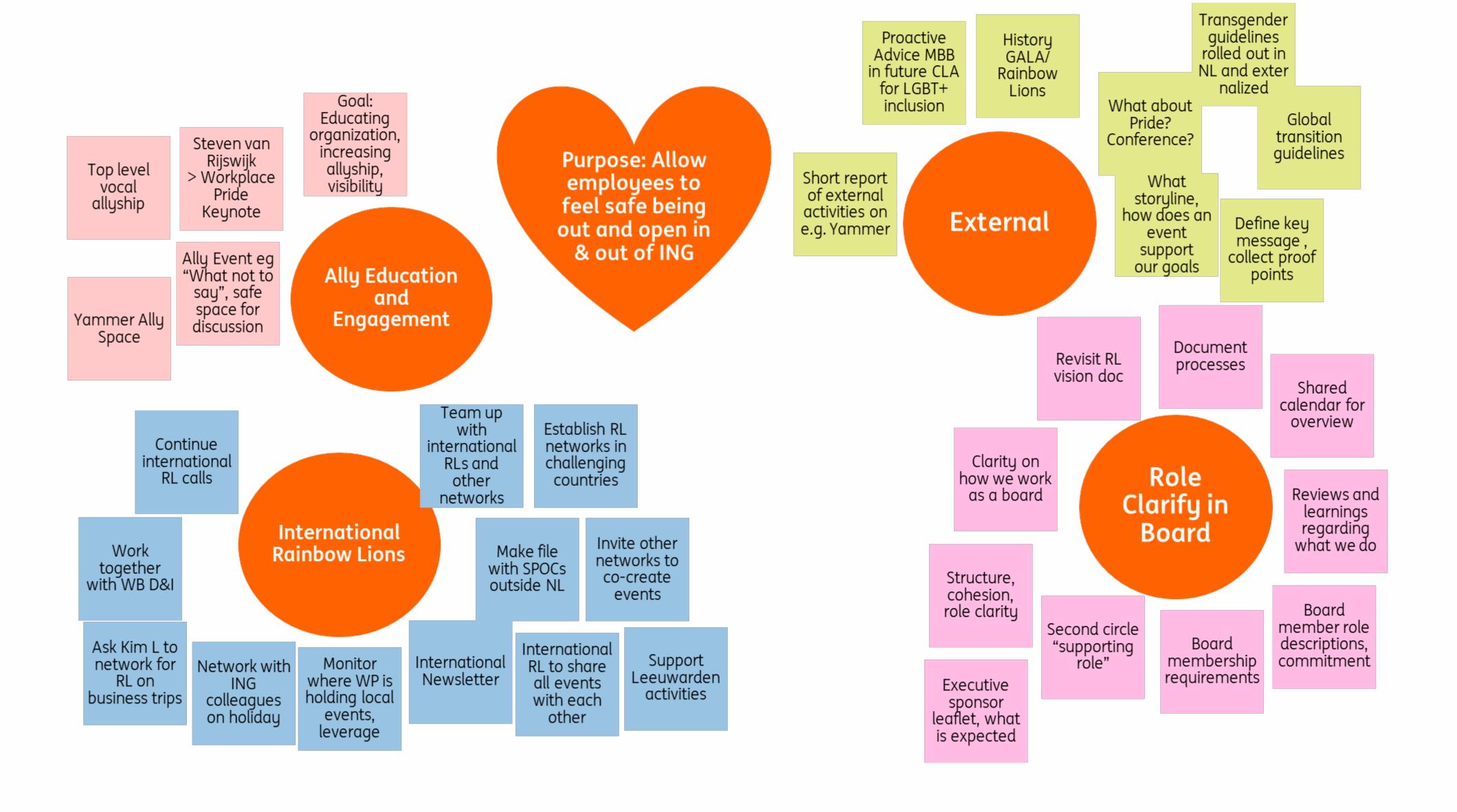


## Timeline of 2022





### Focus Points & Ideas 2023

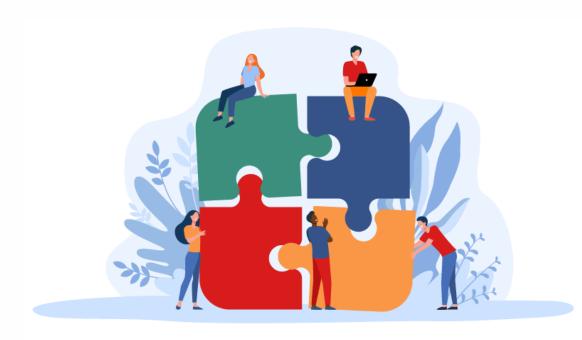


# Our Recipe & Advice

#### Board

- Diverse (Letters, gender, background, department)
- Steady core team (experience, network, resilience)
- Enthusiasm, responsibility and commitment
- Clear roles (Chair, treasurer, communication etc.)
- Succession management





#### Management

- Direct contact with senior management
- Good contact with communication departments
- Guidance and support from D&I team
- Acknowledgement and appreciation

#### **Network**

- Interaction with other companies' LGBT+ ERGs
- Align with other ERG dimensions in your company
- Align with LGBT+ ERGs in other countries/regions
- Collaborate with other countries and ERGs
- Organize impactful events

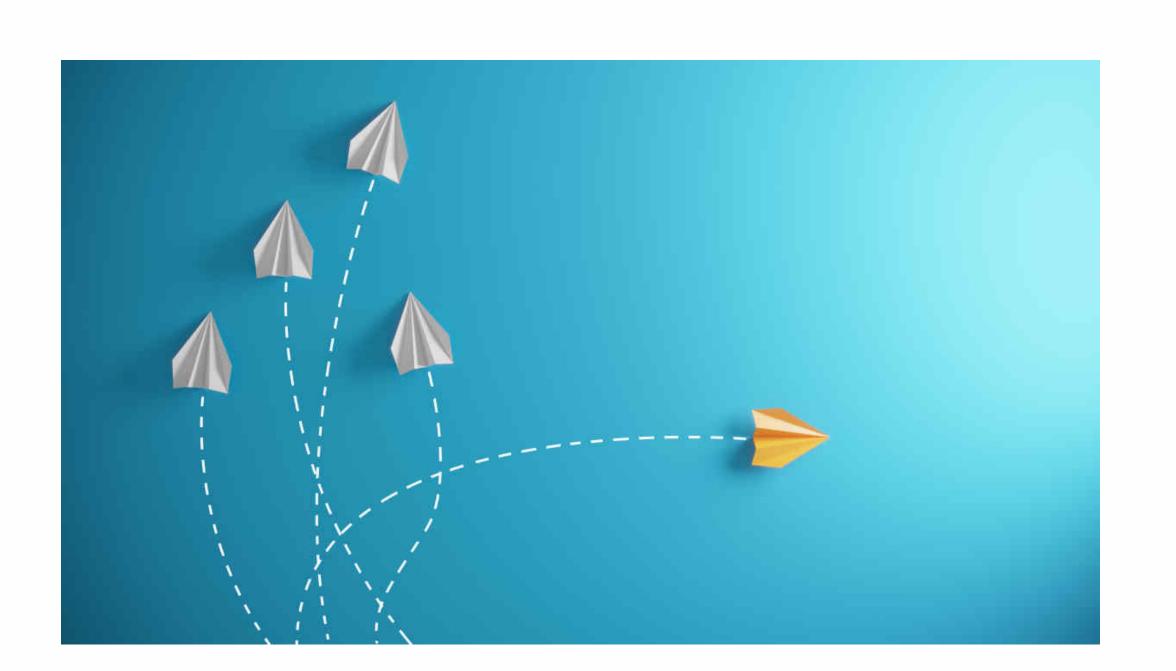


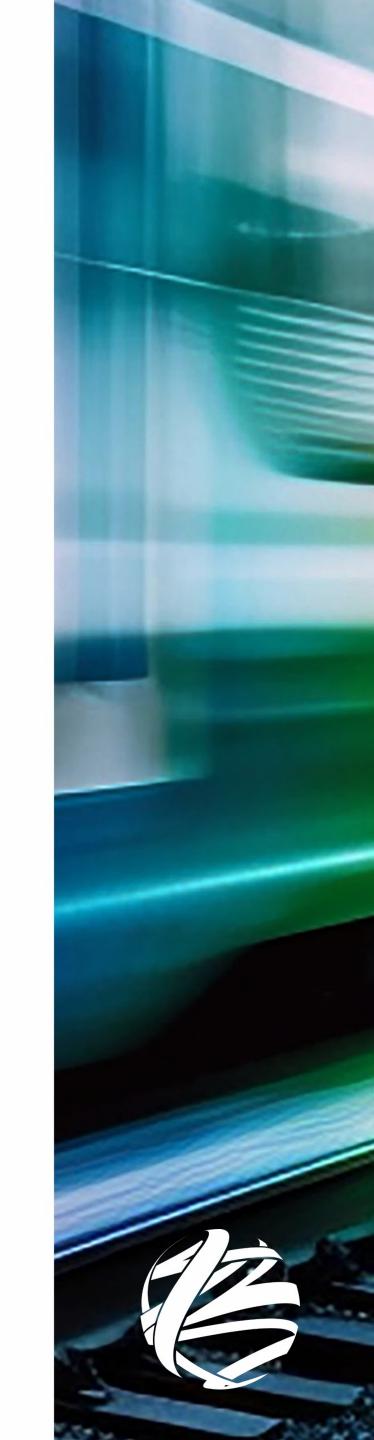


# Our Challenges

Every ERG has ups and downs!

- Core members leaving
- New board members
- Capacity for doing ERG work
- Organizational / Management changes





### **Break-out Session**

Form small groups and discuss...

- What are the good practices in your ERG you'd like to share?
- Decide together on one good practice you'd like to share plenary to inspire the group with.



