

## Brazilian Gays Discuss Same-Sex Marriage in Congress

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Today, in the National Congress in Brasília, capital of Brazil, the Brazilian Association of Gays, Lesbians, and Transgendered (ABGLT), are holding the National GLBT Seminar, around the theme: Commitment to Respect and Equality.

The Gay Association is being joined by the Commission on Human Rights and Minorities, the Commission on Education and Culture, and the Joint Parliamentary Front for Free Sexual Expression,

Two bills that are already in Congress will be discussed: same-sex civil unions and a constitutional amendment criminalizing acts of discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

"This event represents a moment of reflection on the social inclusion of and government policies for the GLT (gays, lesbians, and transgendered).

We have two proposals before the Congress, and we will discuss ways to accelerate these projects," says the president of the ABGLT, Marcelo Nascimento.

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