In 2008 the FRA, following a request by the European Parliament, published a comprehensive EU comparative legal report on the situation concerning homophobia and discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity. This project contributed towards the achievement of specific objectives 1, 3, 5 and 6. The Agency updated this report in 2010 with policy relevant data. In 2012 the FRA, upon a request by the European Commission, conducted a large-scale on-line survey on homophobic hate crime and discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity. This report was published in May 2013. Following the launch of the report, a renewed interest in comparative legal data on the subject matter became evident. This project will update the 2010 report including collecting these data for the first time for Croatia. The project will also inform the AWP 2013 project’s ‘LGBT Indicators’ and the work conducted with ‘public authorities’ within the ‘Surveying LGBT persons and authorities’ project.

Objectives
The Agency, following up on the results of the external evaluation on the project, will continue to update the legal comparative work undertaken in 2010. The aim will be to continue to raise awareness of particular issues which were identified in the Agency’s studies on LGBT, to inform the policy making process and develop cooperation within a broader section of specialised bodies, service deliverers, EU Member States, European Institutions and civil society.

Overall outputs
An updated report “Homophobia, transphobia and discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity”.

Beneficiaries and target groups
- European Commission
- European Parliament
- EU Member States
- Council of Europe
- Local Authorities
- Civil society

Activities and results achieved so far
In 2008 and 2009 the Agency published Legal and Social comparative reports on “Homophobia and Discrimination on Grounds of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity in the EU Member States”. The reports have shown that LGBT discrimination and hate-motivated incidents, including expressions and violence based on prejudice and stigma, are a common phenomenon in the EU today. In 2012 the Agency launched a large on-line survey on homophobic hate speech and hate crime and discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity in selected EU Member States and an EU wide Online survey documenting the extent of discrimination and victimisation experienced by LGBT persons. The results of this survey were published in 2013 and communicated to stakeholders. The launch of the report was the largest ever in the history of FRA.