From CommsLabs 1.0 to 2.0

CommsLabs have evolved and grown from the work of many in movement. As one of the key partners in organizing several CommsLabs gatherings with Astraea, Research Action Design (RAD) developed a set of templates based on learnings to support the participatory design of future CommsLabs organizing. In 2019, Association for Progressive Communications (APC) was invited by Astraea to continue the shared task of designing, planning, implementing, and coordinating CommsLabs.

At the end of four years of collaboration, APC contributed to two CommsLabs and this collection we're calling CommsLabs 2.0 - a resource for future collaborators and activists working to build participatory gatherings with, by, and for advancing LGBTQI rights. It aims to offer guidance for convening coordinators, facilitators, and actors interested in addressing remote continuous communication with engagement and participation. Special attention is given to ensuring privacy, confidentiality, safety, and ease of access.

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