



# CONSPIRACY THEORIES AGAINST LGBTQI+ PEOPLE: PAEDOPHILIA AND GENDER IDEOLOGY

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# CONSPIRACY THEORIES

“The belief that certain events or situations are secretly manipulated behind the scenes by powerful forces with negative intentions” (European Commission, 2022).

1. “An alleged secret plot.
2. A group of conspirators.
3. Evidence that seems to support the conspiracy theory.
4. They falsely suggest that nothing happens by accident and that there are no coincidences; nothing is as it seems and everything is connected.
5. They divide the world into good guys and bad guys.
6. They use individuals and groups as scapegoats”.



**LGBT**

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# CONSPIRACY THEORIES, LGBTQI+ AND GROOMING

1. Delegitimisation of credibility based on sexual orientation and gender identity.
2. Criminalising or suggesting criminal behaviour of LGTBIQ+ persons directed at minors [sexual deviance, paedophilia, corruption of minors].
3. Association of sexual orientation with vices, sexual abuse of minors, perversion, sin, mental illness, HIV, etc.
4. Public figures and institutions accused of grooming. **#irenemonteropederasta - #boycottdisney - #budlight.**
5. Threats of "gender ideology" to children and the traditional family, society and cultural models.
6. Trans people pose a danger to children: genital mutilation, hormone treatment, transsexualisation, homosexualisation, sexualisation and indoctrination.



## OBJECTIVES

1. To explore on Twitter the cultural products and debates that originate in relation to the acronym LGBTQI+, the celebration of LGBTQI+ Pride and the "Law 4/2023, of 28 February, for the real and effective equality of trans people and for the guarantee of the rights of LGTBI people".
2. To identify the main discourses, networks and communities, looking for communication patterns in the dissemination of conspiracy theories.
3. To identify the users and personal or institutional actors who disseminate these discourses and narratives.



# Software and programming languages for data collection

Description	LGTB – International, LGBT + Pride Day & Trans Law debates
Dates	2020 - 2022
Size dataset (total, organic)	410015 organic tweets
Main language	Spanish
Platform	Twitter
Collected through	Twarc2, Python
Collected by	Jacinto Mata
Search criteria	#LGTBI and variants (e.g: #LGTB, #LGTBIQ, etc.) - #Orgullo + LGTBI variants (e.g: #OrgulloLGTBI, #OrgulloLGTB, #OrgulloLGTBIQ, etc.) - Another (e.g: “anti-gay”, “anti-trans”, “anti-LGTB”, “ley trans”, #transexuales, etc.).
Project	Non ConspiraHate Project



# LGBT INTERNATIONAL+ PRIDE DAY & TRANS LAW DEBATES (SPAIN) I

1. Association of prostitution, pornography and paraphilias such as **paedophilia**, necrophilia and zoophilia with LGBTQI+ people and relevant figures or organisations/institutions [grooming].
2. Connected narratives claim that **gender ideology** indoctrinates and sexualises minors [grooming]. Term used by certain extremist groups to delegitimise feminism and affective-sexual diversity and denigrate the rights of LGBTQI+ people and women.
3. **Strong religious speech** condemning LGBTQI+ people [satanic agenda], or accuses them from diseases: monkeypox (promiscuity) and Covid-19 (divine punishment).



# LGBT INTERNATIONAL+ PRIDE DAY & TRANS LAW DEBATES (SPAIN) II

1. **Biological narratives** condemn LGBTQI+ people [sex vs. gender]. **Phylogenetic justification speech:** LGBTQI+ people perceived as contrary to the natural order; as a threat to the processes of procreation and perpetuation of the human species; and they are accused of eliminating the biological distinction between the sexes (feminisation of males, masculinisation of females and dissemination of gender roles).
2. Intense debate and **speeches against the Trans Law** accusing it of promoting transsexuality, mutilation and hormonation of minors, being misogynistic and patriarchal and displacing women. Potential effects: **Fragmentation of feminism.**



**“Córtate el nepe y te lo incrustas. ¿Sabías que las mayores redes de pedófilos son de rojos globalistas? A todos los sectarios como tú, que van vestidos de Drag Queens a los colegios, habría que quemaros vivos cual Inquisición. No tenéis perdón de Dios ni de nada ni nadie al confundir a los infantes con vuestra ideología satánica y depravada”.**

**“Eres un tío y te encamas con hombres. Lo raro es lo tuyo. Soy copartícipe de la diversidad sexual, cultural y racial, pero a los niños se les respeta, HJSDPT!”**



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