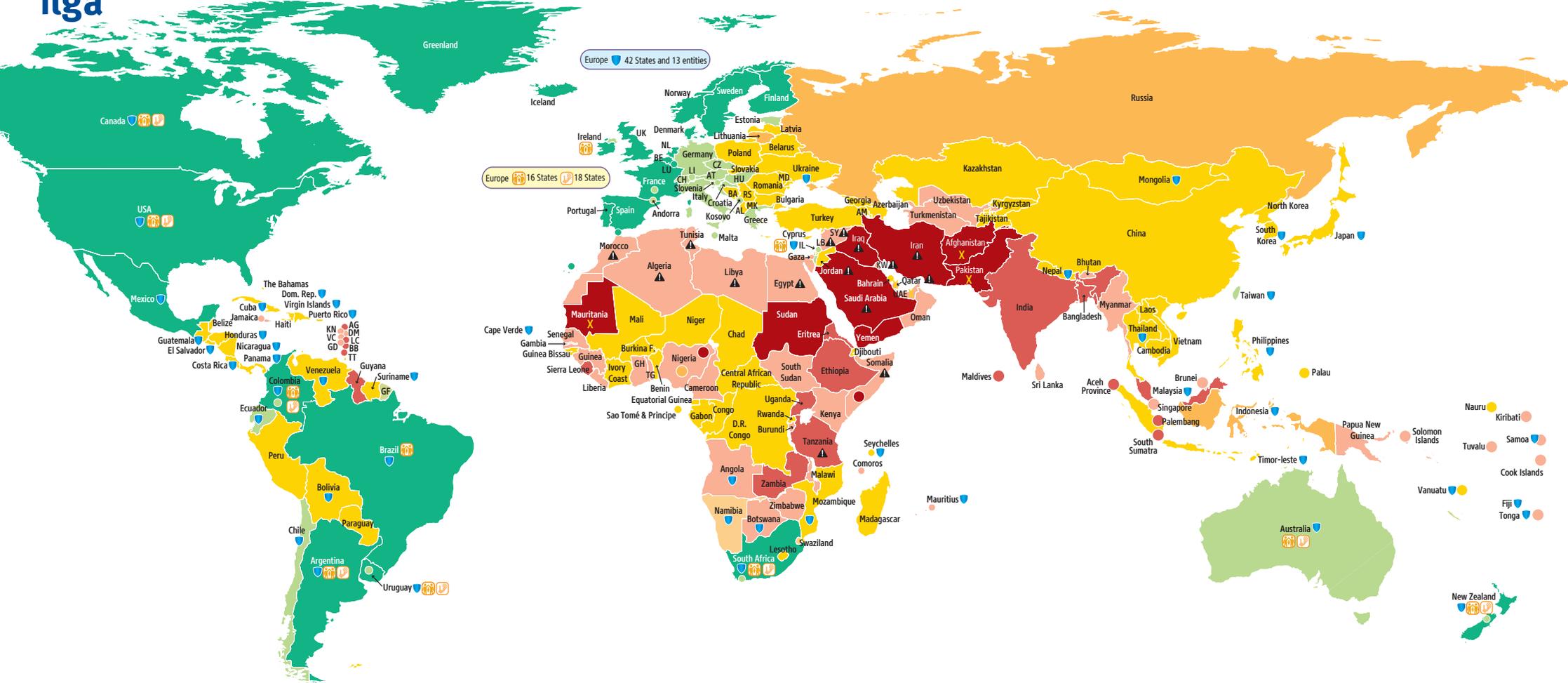




SEXUAL ORIENTATION LAWS IN THE WORLD - OVERVIEW

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CRIMINALISATION

72 STATES

DEATH		implemented in 8 States (or parts of)		14 Y - life (prison)	14 States
		not implemented in 5 States		Up to 14 Y	57 States
		Religious-based laws alongside the civil code: 19 States		'Promotion' laws	3 States
				No penalising law	

In green, yellow and orange countries, same-sex sexual acts were decriminalised or never penalised: **123 States**

PROTECTION

85 States
Many States run concurrent protections

	Constitution	9 States
	Employment	72 States
	Various	63 States
	Hate crime	43 States
	Incitement to hate	39 States
	Ban on 'conversion therapy'	3 states

RECOGNITION

47 States
A small number of States provide for marriage and partnership concurrently

	Marriage	22 States		Joint adoption	26 States
	Partnership	28 States		2nd parent adoption	27 States

Separate detailed maps for these three categories are produced alongside this Overview map.

The data represented in these maps are based on *State-Sponsored Homophobia: a World Survey of Sexual Orientation Laws: Criminalisation, Protection and Recognition*, an ILGA report by Aengus Carroll and Lucas Ramón Mendos. The report and these maps are available in the six official UN languages: English, Chinese, Arabic, French, Russian and Spanish on ILGA.org. This edition of the world map (May 2017) was coordinated by Aengus Carroll and Lucas Ramón Mendos (ILGA), and designed by Eduardo Enoki (eduardo.enoki@gmail.com).