

Rahul Upadhyay (they/them/theirs)

Position Sought: Co-President, Gender Nonconforming/Non-Binary

Rahul Upadhyay has been a dedicated volunteer with InterPride since 2019. Their InterPride voyage commenced in 2020 when they assumed the role of Regional Representative for Region 19. In this position, they embarked on a mission to connect with numerous pride organisations across South Asian countries, seeking to grasp the nuances of their cultures and unique challenges. Through their efforts, they succeeded in persuading several organisations in the region to join the InterPride family.

In 2020 they undertook the role of curator and production lead for Global Pride 2020. Their project management skills shone brightly as they coordinated with numerous organisations, curated and edited content.

In 2021, Rahul assumed the role of Co-Chair for WorldPride and Hiring Committee. As the Hiring Committee Co-Chair, they managed end-to-end hiring and onboarding responsibilities. As WorldPride Committee Co-Chair, they continue to manage the bidding process, chairing monthly meetings, reporting to the Co-Presidents, and contributing to various aspects of planning and execution.

Rahul was elected as a Global Advisory Council (GAC) representative in 2021 and as Vice President, Global Outreach & Partnership Management in 2022. As VPGO, they have made significant strides in enhancing InterPride's regional and global presence by leading the organisation and facilitating monthly meetings within Regions 15,16,18 and 19. Beyond the borders of InterPride, Rahul dedicated themselves to outreach efforts, reaching out to non-member organisations in South Asia. Notably, they played a pivotal role in guiding the election of the Region 16 Representative. Additionally, Rahul's representation at the Bangkok Pride event bolstered global partnerships.

