Freedom of expression is under threat worldwide, and civil society is being silenced.

We speak about this every day.

But not today.

Today we go silent...

...in solidarity with those whose voices have been silenced.

Civic space in East Africa has been fighting an uphill battle to survive. The arrest and torture of activists in Uganda, sanctions against the media in Tanzania and Kenya’s crumbling media independence all point to a concerted attack on freedom of expression in the region.

Silenced

“There’s no activism without risk. With every win, there will be a backlash from anti-human rights currents.”

Our partner stood their ground when pressured to shut down a LGBTQ conference in Lebanon.

Inequality in Latin America is not only visible, it’s palpable. You can almost breathe it. People in Guatemala, Nicaragua, El Salvador and Honduras fight for their basic rights against governments that are increasingly dictatorial.