

Empowering PRIDE: Emiel Bos

The National Composites Centre has some incredible Equality, Diversity and Inclusion champions. In celebration of PRIDE, we check in with those helping people with common identities come together in a supportive, safe space, to share lived experiences and gain peer support to help raise awareness of issues for their community and how they can be better supported in the workplace.

Meet Emiel

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PRIDE to me

PRIDE within the workplace is a key attribute to overall inclusivity. Enabling colleagues to feel supported and share their identity in a safe space is important to the working atmosphere, and wellbeing of the company.

Allyship to me

I joined the Pride+ Allies Affinity Group because I wanted to show support for a team member, and the wider community. My aim is to better understand what it means to be inclusive towards members of the LGBTQ+ community. From discussing conservative backlash towards trans influencers to learning about the evolution of the PRIDE flag, being involved in the affinity group has introduced me to topics and ways of thinking I would otherwise not encounter in my day-to-day. I am committed to putting this new perspective into meaningful practice, wherever I am.

How the NCC supports communities

Not being directly a part of the LGBTQ+ community myself, it is difficult to make a statement on that. However, as someone with a different cultural background and experiences, I have always felt included by direct colleagues and team members.

