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## **Media Release**

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### **Marriage Equality**

*Congratulations Ireland - next stop Australia!*

24th May 2015

We, the Progressive Atheists, are thrilled to hear that the Republic of Ireland has embraced marriage equality. The first country to do so via referendum. Progressive Atheists' President, Alice Carr said "we hope that Australian politicians too, will take note of the high public support for marriage equality in Australia, and follow suit".

Australia is now fast becoming part of a minority in the west to embrace marriage equality. Marriage equality has now been achieved in much of western Europe and is spreading through the Americas, with South Africa and New Zealand our closest neighbours, who have embraced the progressive move.

Progressive Atheists' President, Alice Carr said "it is important for Australia to keep up with progressive moves to recognise the human rights of LGBTI people - it's actually shocking that we have not embraced marriage equality already".

#### **References:**

Ireland becomes first country to legalise gay marriage by popular vote:

<http://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/may/23/gay-marriage-ireland-yes-vote>

Marriage Equality Around The World:

<http://www.australianmarriageequality.org/overseas-same-sex-marriages/>

Marriage equality:

<https://www.humanrights.gov.au/our-work/sexual-orientation-sex-gender-identity/projects/marriage-equality>

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