



Pledge submitted by Atheist Ireland to the Human Rights 75 Secretariat
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Location: Ireland

PLEDGE NUMBER 1: We pledge to oppose all laws against blasphemy or against criticism of secular beliefs covered under Article 18, and to promote the rights of all persons to freedom of expression and manifestation of religion or belief, regardless of the critical nature of the opinion, idea, doctrine or belief or whether that expression shocks, offends or disturbs others, so long as it does not cross the threshold of incitement to discrimination, hostility or violence. We also pledge to lobby for all United Nations bodies, conference sessions, policies, documents, member states, equality and other laws, civil society organisations, media outlets, and other relevant stakeholders and events to do the above.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Jan 1, 2030

PLEDGE NUMBER 2: For Atheist Ireland to consistently use the full phrase 'Freedom of Religion or Belief' instead of the incomplete phrase 'Freedom of Religion', and to lobby for all relevant bodies to do the same.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Jan 1, 2024