



The referendum that changed Ireland

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To celebrate the first anniversary from the repeal of the Eight Amendment of the Irish Constitution that prevented women accessing abortion even in cases of rape and incest, Ailbhe Smyth, the co-director of the 'Together for Yes' campaign in Ireland, is interviewed on *First Person* and describes what it was like for women in Ireland to live under the ban, and how the predominantly Catholic country managed to overturn it. She also talks about the laws passed in 2019 in Alabama and other parts of the United States that ban most abortions.

See also <https://www.opendemocracy.net/en/5050/world-reaction-ireland-historic-vote-abortion-rights/> [1]

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