

# Taiwan taking part in Pride Edinburgh

Taiwan takes part in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Pride Edinburgh

**The Taiwanese parliament overwhelmingly voted 66:27 on 17 May 2019 to legalise same sex marriage in [Taiwan](#).**

This big step further consolidates Taiwan's belief in equality and human rights, and it coincides with the thinking in democratic and liberal allies in the world including Scotland.

A spokesman for The Scotland Taiwanese Association said : "It is our privilege to share this joy with the world that 24 May 2019 was the first day that Taiwanese citizens may register as lawful same sex couples including when one partner comes from a country outside Taiwan where same sex marriage is recognised. This has made Taiwan the first Asian country to legalise same sex marriage.

"On 22 June 2019, Scotland Taiwanese Association in conjunction with Taipei Representative Office in Scotland will be taking part in the 22nd Pride Edinburgh in the Scottish capital. Many of our friends and families will be marching to demonstrate our joy for this new chapter, not only for Taiwan but in making Asian LGBT history.

"We wish that many other countries in the world would follow this encouraging movement and may we wish that those countries which currently criminalise same sex activities will eventually reconsider their position by the Taiwanese inspiration."

