



Economic and Social History Society of Ireland Annual Conference 2017

Thursday 16 & Friday 17, November 2017
Central Bank of Ireland
Main building, North Wall Quay, Dublin

Papers are allocated 30 minutes including discussion. The final presenter in each session acts as Chair.

Thursday, November 16

12.30-13.30 Lunch and registration, Boyne Room

13.30-15.00 **Session 1a: Irish identity and nationalism (Lee Room)**

Nineteenth century Irish artisans, protectionism and definitions of nationalism

John McGrath, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick

'Masters of Our Own House': Cumann na nGaedheal and the Shaping of Free State Identity, 1921-24

Sean Donnelly, Teesside University

Irish schools, contemporary history and the teaching of nationality: What was 'nation' in the Irish national narratives, 1850-1905?

Henrik Forsberg, University of Helsinki

13.30-15.00 **Session 1b: Measuring the Irish economy (Shannon Room)**

Occupational structure in Ireland in the 19th century: data sources and avenues of exploration

Jason Begley, Coventry University

Frank Geary, Belfast

Tom Stark, Portstewart

'Till Debt Do Us Part' - Financial Implications of the Divorce of the Irish Free State from the UK, 1922-6

John Fitzgerald, Trinity College Dublin

Sean Kenny, Lund university

Reassessing costs and standards of living in Ireland since independence: the impact of an accurate measure of housing cost

Ronan Lyons, Trinity College Dublin

15.00-15.30 Coffee, Boyne Room

15.30-16.30 **Session 2a: Physique and physical activity (Lee room)**

Truly Muscular Gaels: Physical Culture and Irish Masculinity

Conor Heffernan, University College Dublin

The man who married a mountain and other stories

Declan O'Keeffe, Clongowes Wood College

15.30-16.30 **Session 2b: The Great Irish Famine (Shannon Room)**

Common-pool resource governance and uneven food security: regional resilience during the Great Irish Famine, 1845-1852

Eoin Flaherty, University College Dublin

Scarring and Selection in the Great Irish Famine

Matthias Blum, Queen's University Belfast

Christopher L. Colvin, Queen's University Belfast

Eoin McLaughlin, St Andrews University

16.45-17.45 **Connell Lecture, Professor Kevin O'Rourke (Lee Room)**

19.30 Dinner, HQ restaurant, Hannover Quay (€30, pre-registration required)

Friday, November 17

09.00-09.30 Coffee and registration

09.30-11.00 **Session 3a: Society, labour and business (Lee Room)**

The Ancient Order of Hibernians in the US and Ireland: a transnational exploration of Irish identity and upward social mobility

Kerron Ó Luain, University College Dublin

The oilmen cometh: Irish-America assesses business prospects in the Free State, 1922-3

Ian d'Alton, Trinity College Dublin

The Workman family of 19th-century Belfast: A study of a middle-class elite

Alice Johnson, Queen's University Belfast

- 09.30-11.00 **Session 3b: Politics and economic policy (Shannon Room)**
- Representation of the people: franchise extension and the ‘Sinn Féin Election’ in Ireland, 1918***
 Alan de Bromhead, Queen’s University Belfast
 Alan Fernihough, Queen’s University Belfast
 Enda Hargaden, University of Tennessee
- The Pull of the Wirtschaftswunder, 1954-63***
 Mervyn O’Driscoll, University College Cork
- Historical Legacies of Taxation in Ireland: Slowly converging capacity, persistent unwillingness to pay***
 Michelle D’Arcy, Trinity College Dublin
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee Break, Boyne Room
- 11.30-12.30 **Session 4a: Credit –social and financial (Lee Room)**
- The Industrial Credit Company: Its Genesis and Early Years***
 John King, independent
- An Outward Turn: The Quest for Economic Democracy in Ireland in the 1930’s***
 Gordon Michael Robert Warren, University College Cork
- 11.30-12.30 **Session 4b: Cooperative movements (Shannon room)**
- Competition between organisational forms in Danish and Irish dairying around the turn of the twentieth century***
 Eoin McLaughlin, St Andrews University
 Paul Sharp, University of Southern Denmark
- Economic Development and the Origins of Cooperative Institutions: Evidence From The German Periphery***
 Marvin Suesse, Trinity College Dublin
 Nikolaus Wolf, Humboldt University of Berlin
- 12.30 -14.00 Lunch, Boyne Room followed by AGM or Central Bank of Ireland archive exhibition

14.00-15.30

Session 5a: Social policy in 20th century Ireland (Lee Room)

'The change is gonna come, whether we want it or not': Finding a place for the intellectually disabled in 1970s Ireland

David Kilgannon, NUI Galway

'The woman does not give as good a return of work as the man': women, work and the marriage bar in Ireland, c. 1924-1973

Deirdre Foley, Dublin City University

Globalizing the History of Irish Family Planning, 1968–1980

Roman Birke, University of Vienna

14.00-15.30

Session 5b: Monetary policy and finance (Shannon Room)

Monetary Sovereignty – Historical Lessons

Charles Larkin, Trinity College Dublin

Exchange rates and credit conditions in Ireland 1760-1826

Daniel Cassidy, NUI Galway

Aidan Kane, NUI Galway

Evolution or Revolution? Monetary Thinking in the Departments

Ella Kavanagh, University College Cork

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