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The European Dimension in Irish Education after Brexit

A national symposium

University of Limerick, 10-11 May 2022

Organizer: Jean Monnet Chair of European Cultural Studies, Centre for European Studies at the University of Limerick

In co-operation with: Office of the Minister for European Affairs Office, Department of Foreign Affairs; Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science; European Parliament Liaison Office, Dublin; European Commission Representation, Dublin; Irish Humanities Alliance; Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies; Higher Education Authority, International section; University of Limerick UL50; Embassy of France in Dublin.

Venue: KBG-12, University of Limerick. The Symposium is an in-person event but will also be live streamed.

Date: 10/11 May 2022 to mark 50 years of the Referendum to pass the third amendment to the Irish constitution permitting the State to join the European Communities on 10 May 1972

The event is part of the UL50 anniversary programme.

DAY 1

9.30 **Welcome** by Máiréad Moriarty, Vice President Global and Community Engagement, UL

9.40 **Keynote Addresses: The Role of Education in Communicating Europe**

Minister of State for European Affairs Thomas Byrne

David O'Sullivan (IIEA [online])

Stefan Zotti (Jean Monnet Unit DG EAC [online])

10.30 Coffee

11.00 **Session I: European Studies in Primary Education**

Chair: Emer Ring (Mary Immaculate College)

Panel I

Lisa Nic an Bhreithimh (Blue Star Programme/EM Ireland); Emmanuelle Schön-Quinlivan (BFGtoEU/UCC); Trish Collier (Kilmurry NS); Máiréad Ní Bhriain (MIC); Tracy Curran (NCCA); Mauve Carbonell (Aix-Marseille)

12.00 Open forum on Primary Education

13.00 Lunch

14.00 **Session II: European Studies in Second Level Education**

Chair: Brian Mooney

Panel II

Ger O'Sullivan (NCCA); Karen Ruddock (PPLI); Eimear Ní Bhroin (European Commission Representation Ireland); Patrick O'Riordan (EP Liaison Office, Dublin); Emma Grainger (Léargas); Catherine McGing (Laurel Hill Secondary School/PASTAI); Markus Herschbach (EUF)

15.10 Open forum on Second Level Education

16.00 **Session III: The European Dimension in Teacher Education**

Chair: Brenda Maher (Jean Monnet Unit Teacher Actions, Brussels)

Panel III

Geraldine Mooney Simmie (UL) and Silvia Edling (Gävle, Sweden); Conor Galvin (UCD); Christian Kaunert (DCU); Emmanuelle Schön-Quinliven (UCC); Phil Fox (Teaching Council); Sigrid Rieuwerts (University of Mainz, Germany)

17.00 Open Forum on Teacher Education

18.00 Book launch of Murphy, T. and Mannix McNamara, P. (eds), *International Perspectives on Teacher Well-being and Diversity: Portals into Innovative Classroom Practice*. Cham, Switzerland: Springer, 2021

Introduced by Gerry Jeffers and Silvia Edling.

Followed by Reception

20.00 Dinner in Plassey House

DAY 2

9.30 **Opening Remarks DAY 2: Further and Higher Education** by Kerstin Mey, President of University of Limerick

9.45 **Keynote Address: The European Dimension in Further and Higher Education**

Minister of State at the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science Niall Collins

10.00 **Session IV: Teaching European Studies at Third Level (in co-operation with the Irish Humanities Alliance)**

Chair: Michael Cronin (IHA/TCD)

Panel IV

Joachim Fischer (Centre for European Studies, UL); Clemens Ruthner (European Studies, TCD); Bryan Maguire (QQI); Catherine O'Leary (SAHA [online]); Werner Reinhart (EUF)

11.00 Coffee

11.20 Session V: Perspectives for Research in European Studies (in cooperation with Irish Association for Contemporary European Studies)

Chair: Jonathan Evershed (IACES/UCD)

Panel V

Mary C. Murphy (UCC); David Phinnemore (QUB); Giada Lagana (Cardiff University); Andrew Glencross (ESPOL, Université Catholique de Lille)

12.20 Open Forum on Third Level Education

Chair: Sheena Duffy (HEA)

13.20 Lunch

14.20 Session VI: Developing European Citizenship in Lifelong Learning and Adult Education

Chair: Aoife McGarry (DFA)

Panel VI

Rory Harte (EM Ireland); Jemma Lee (Léargas); Patricia Anne Moore (Clare Older People's Council); Nathalie de Hertog (EP Liaison Office, Den Haag); Benoît Berthou (Sorbonne, Paris)

15.20 Open Forum on Europe in Lifelong Learning / Citizens' Dialogues

16.20 Session VII: The way forward for European Studies in Irish education

Chair: Ian McKenna (DFHERIS)

Panel VII

Reports from Rapporteurs from Open Fora followed by Concluding Discussion

17.00 Closing remarks

Registration

The Symposium is an in-person event. It is open to anyone interested. The subsidized registration fee for both days, including lunches and coffees, is €50 but it is also possible to just drop in and listen and discuss without being registered.

Registration is via this link: <https://ulevents.eventsair.com/2022-the-european-dimension-in-irish-education-after-brexit-a-symposium/europereg2022>. For further information on registration, contact: conference@ul.ie or call 061 234178.

Further information on the Symposium from the organizer: Joachim.Fischer@ul.ie.

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