



Political Studies Association of Ireland Annual Conference University College Dublin October 21-23, 2011

Conference venues:

1. Royal Irish Academy, Dawson Street (October 21)
2. UCD Newman House, Stephens Green (October 22-23)

Conference sponsors:

1. College of Human Sciences, UCD
2. Elections, Public Opinion and Parties specialist group of the Political Studies Association (UK)
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5. RTÉ News and Current Affairs
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Friday 21 October 2011

Venue: *Royal Irish Academy, Dawson Street*

14.00 - 16.00	What's the point of election studies?
Plenary Session 1:	Chair: Richard Colwell, managing director Red-C
Prof. Michael Marsh (TCD)	'Solidarity and cross party voting under PR-STV'
Dr. John Garry (QUB)	'Is political accountability possible under consociationalism?'
Prof. Susan Banducci (Exeter)	'Information, Mobilisation and the Problem of Turnout'
Prof. Sylvia Kritzinger (Vienna)	'Voting at 16 in Austria: Turnout and the Quality of Vote Choice'
Prof. Paul Whiteley (Essex)	'The Noes Have it: Voting in the AV Ballot Referendum in Britain'

Tea/ Coffee: 16.00 - 16.30

16.30-17.00	What's the point of the Eurovision?
Plenary Session 2:	Chair: Prof. Michael Gallagher (TCD)
Dr. Adrian Kavanagh (NUIM)	'No Longer Jed and Buried? Political perspectives on Ireland in the Eurovision song contest'

17.00-18.00	Political Reform Roundtable
Plenary Session 3:	Chair: Sean O'Rourke (RTÉ)
Panelists	Minister of the Environment Phil Hogan, TD (Fine Gael), Senator Ivana Bacik (Labour), Richard Boyd Barret, TD (ULA), Representatives from other political parties (TBC)

18.00 Reception & Finger food - Hosted by RTÉ News and Current Affairs

Professor Luciano Bardi (Pisa), Chair of the ECPR, introduces Prof Richard S. Katz (Johns Hopkins) who will make a presentation in memory of the late Peter Mair (1951-2011)

Sean O'Rourke (RTÉ) will launch RTÉ's *The Week in Politics, Election 2011*

Saturday 22 October 2011

Venue: *Newman House, 85 St. Stephens Green*

Session 1: 9.00 - 10.30

Room 1	Foreign Policy Panel
Chair:	Dr. Vincent Durac (UCD)
Prof. Frank Barry (TCD)	Foreign Economic Policy
Dr. Eileen Connolly (DCU)	Development Cooperation
Dr. Paul Gillespie (UCD)	Civil Society and Foreign policy making
Prof. Ben Tonra (UCD)	Security and Defence
Room 2	Peace & Conflict Specialist Group Panel 1
Chair:	Dr. Niall Ó Dochartaigh
Respondent:	Dr. Niall Ó Murchú
Bill Kissane (LSE)	Researching the Irish Civil War
Sandra Buchanan (UU)	Connecting with the mainstream: Examining the application of conventional research methods to Peace & Conflict practice and research
Dr. Iain Attack (ISE TCD)	Nonviolent political action, civil society and the state
Room 3	Participatory and Deliberative Democracy Specialist Group Panel 1
Chair:	Dr. Gemma Carney (NUI Galway)
Richard Silke & Frances Fahy (NUI Galway)	Participatory Carbon budgets: Pitfalls and Possibilities
Vanessa Liston (TCD), Clodagh Harris (UCC), Mark O'Toole (Kilkenny CC), Khursid Ahmand (TCD)	E-Deliberation in Irish local government: Developing the SOW-IT model
Deiric O'Broin (DIT), Andrew Moore (DCU)	Dublin 5 th province - citizen interaction in an e-deliberation environment
Bishops Room	Education Reform Panel
Chair:	Dr. Jane Suiter (UCC)
Karin Fischer (University of Orléans)	Political principles and discourse on religion in education: international concepts and Irish interpretations
Barney O Reilly (Kerry VEC)	Varieties of secularism and republican theory: reflexions on religion in Irish publicly managed schools
Eoin Daly (DCU)	Discourses of choice and the evolving constitutional legitimation of Ireland's 'patronage' model in education

Tea/Coffee: 10.30 - 11.00 sponsored by Liverpool University Press

Session 2: 11.00 - 12.30

Room 1	EU & Foreign Affairs Panel
Chair:	Prof. Ben Tonra (UCD)
Dr. Emmanuelle Schon-Quinlivan (UCC)	Reform of the European Commission: a step closer to governmentalization?
Dr. Bernadette Connaughton (UL)	Home and Away- Understanding the role perceptions of Irish policy-bureaucrats and their participation in EU policy making
Dr. Lee McGowan (QUB)	The Europeanisation paradox: The British National Party and the European Union
Room 2	Peace & Conflict Specialist Group Panel 2
Chair:	Dr. Sandra Buchanan
Respondent:	Dr. Niall Ó'Dochartaigh
Dr. Helen S. A. Basini (UL)	Women associated with fighting forces in Liberia: methodological challenges of researching in a post-conflict context
Dr. David Mitchell (University of Aberdeen), Gerard Leavey (Northern Ireland Association of Mental Health), Prof. John Brewer (University of Aberdeen)	Religion and ex-combatants in Northern Ireland
Dr. Kris Brown (UU)	'Native going native': political ethnography in a divided society
Room 3	Local Government Panel
Chair:	Prof. Neil Collins (UCC)
Matthew Potter (MIC UL)	From Oligarchy to Democracy: The evolution of local government franchise in Ireland
Bríd Quinn (UL)	We are where we are but where might we be? Ireland's local government system 20 years after the Barrington report
Mark Callanan, Ronan Murphy, Aodh Quinlivan (UCC)	Is big really so efficient? Investigating assumptions concerning local government reform and amalgamation
Bishops Room	Political Theory panel
Chair	Dr. Andrew Shorten
Damian Eileen Luther (QUB)	Rejecting the 'dirty hands' justification of state terrorism
Ciarán McKenna (QUB)	Global democracy or No democracy? Creating global democratic decision making spaces
Cillian McBride (QUB)	Re-thinking democratic participation
Keith Breen (QUB)	Law beyond command? An evaluation of Arendt's understanding of law

Lunch: 12.30 - 13.30**Specialist Group Meetings 12.45 - 13.30**

Room 1:	Teaching and Learning specialist group
Room 2:	Deliberative and Participatory Democracy specialist group
Room 3:	Peace & Conflict specialist group
Bishop's Room	Political Theory specialist group

Session 3: 13.30 - 15.00

Room 1	International Politics Panel
Chair:	Dr. Paul Gillespie (UCD)
Dr. Vincent Durac (UCD)	Getting it wrong? Framing the Arab Protest Movements of 2011
Prof. Patrick Houghton (University of Central Florida)	Images of the Ayatollah: Three misperceptions of Iran's revolutionary leadership
Ed Coughlan (TCD)	Electoral violence in SubSaharan Africa: 1997 - 2010
Dr. Brendan Flynn (NUI Galway)	NATO's Beau Geste misadventure: What the Libyan intervention means for NATO's strategic discourses

Room 2	Peace & conflict Specialist Group Panel 3
Chair:	Prof. John Coakley (UCD)
Dr. Thomas Hennessey (Christ Church Canterbury)	The first Northern Ireland Peace Process: Conflict resolution and counter insurgency
Dr. Aaron Edwards (RMA Sandhurst)	Deterrence, coercion and brute force in asymmetric conflict: The role of the military instrument in resolving the Northern Ireland 'Troubles'
Dr. Cillian McGrattan (University of the West of Scotland)	Performing the peace process in Northern Ireland

Room 3	Participatory and Deliberative Democracy Specialist Group Panel 2 - Beyond the Ballot: Critiquing deliberative democracy
Chair	Dr. Philip Murphy (UCC)
Peter Stone (TCD)	Many voices, different voices
Barry Healy (UCC)	Northern Ireland's district policing partnerships deliberative motifs
Ricca Edmondson (NUI Galway)	Envisaging democratic discourse: the rhetorical tradition, critical theory and interactive universalism

13.30 - 15.00**Bishop's Room**

Gender politics specialist group

Session 4: 15.00 - 16.30**Room 1****Political Institutions in resolving economic crisis panel****Chair:****Dr. Niamh Hardiman (UCD)**

Michael Breen & Iain McMenamin (DCU) Political institutions, credible commitment and sovereign debt

Prof. Frank Barry (TCD) Public policy advice and the market place for ideas

Michael Courtney (TCD) "Just Sayin": A quantitative textual analysis of intra party attitudes to the EU/IMF bailout in the 31st Dáil

Prof. Ken Benoit & Alexander Herzog (TCD) Intra-party conflict over fiscal austerity

Room 2**Peace & conflict Specialist Group Panel 4: New Perspectives on the Provisional Republican Movement****Chair:****Prof. John Tonge (Liverpool)**

Dr. Niall Ó'Dochartaigh (NUI Galway) Trusting the enemy: the development of a negotiating relationship between the British government and the IRA

Dr. Kevin Bean (University of Liverpool) Provisional Republicanism: a suitable case for social movement theory

Dr. Peter McLoughlin (QUB) Tuas and the Pan-nationalist alternative to armed struggle: providing the Provisionals with an exit strategy from violence

Stuart Ross (QUB) The Popular Campaign Against Criminalization and the Irish Hunger strikes, 1976 - 1982

Room 3**Irish Presidency Panel****Chair:****Dr. Kevin Rafter (DCU)**

Prof. John Coakley (UCD) The President's predecessors: from Viceroy to Governor-General

Dr. Ciara Meehan (UCD) The establishment of the Irish presidency: the early office holders

Dr. Yvonne Galligan (QUB) Transforming the Irish presidency: activist presidents and gender politics

Dr. Theresa Reidy (UCC) The politics of Irish presidential elections

Participatory and Deliberative Democracy Specialist Group Panel 3 - Beyond the Ballot: Deliberative civic engagement with the state	
Bishops Room	
Chair	Dr. Clodagh Harris (UCC)
Gemma Carney, Tony Dundon & Aine Ni Leime (NUI Galway)	Community engagement in Ireland's development welfare & state: a participatory policy analysis of the life cycle approach
Chris McInerney (UL)	Bonfire of the rationalities: Examining the conceptual and practical dilemma for activist civil society organization arising from civic engagement with the state
Damian Bolger (UL)	Invigoration, isolation, or stagnation? Examining the Irish politico-administrative system and civic engagement through a new institutionalist perspective

Tea/ Coffee break: 16.30 - 17.00

Session 5: 17.00 - 18.30

Room 1	Political Communications Panel
Chair:	Prof. Gary Murphy (DCU)
Maria Sudulich (University of Amsterdam) & Matthew Wall (Université Libre Bruxelles)	A 140 characters campaign: Twitter usage in the 2011 General election
Kevin Rafter (DCU)	The television debates in 2011: What happened to leadership?
Ciaran MacMahon (DBS)	Social media usage by candidates in the 2011 ROI general election
John Hogan & Kevin Lynch (DIT)	Political parties and Generation Z - Facebook friends and Something more?

Room 2	Party and non-party actors in Northern Ireland
Chair:	Dr. Michael Anderson (UCD)
Prof. James W. McAuley (University of Huddersfield), Prof. Jon Tonge (University of Liverpool), Andrew Mycock (QUB)	Blood, Thunder and traditional routes: an ethnography of Orangeism
Prof. Jon Tonge (University of Liverpool)	Has the Sinn Féin brand fully detoxified? Evidence from recent elections
Ms. Sophie Whiting (University of Liverpool)	The discourse of Defence; dissident Irish republican newspapers and the propaganda war
Ms. Marie-Violaine Louvet (University of Paris 3 - Sorbonne Nouvelle)	Mobilizing Irish society pro-palestinian activism and nationalism in Ireland

Sunday 23 October 2011

Venue: Newman House, 85 St. Stephens Green

10.30 - 11.00 Tea & Coffee

Session 1: 11.00 - 12.30

Room 1	Campaigning and Voting in Irish elections
Chair	Prof. David Farrell (UCD)
Dr. Heinz Brandenburg (University of Aberdeen)	Economic voting the Bubble: information and choice during the 2007 Irish General election
Philip Murphy (UCC)	Measuring up: An age appropriate measure of pre-adult political efficacy
Neil Matthews (QUB)	Gendered candidate selection in Northern Ireland
Jane Suiter and Theresa Reidy (UCC)	Did Economics 'Matter' in 2011?
Room 2	Northern Ireland and politics of peace & reconciliation panel
Chair:	Dr. Cillian McGrattan (University of the West of Scotland)
Niall Ó Murchú (Western University Washington)	Transnational Advocacy, Peace & Democratization: Northern Ireland in Comparative Perspective
Lee Daly (Free-lance researcher)	The (troubled) landscape of initiatives: Eames-Bradley and the use of consultation in post-agreement Northern Ireland
Rupert Taylor (University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg)	Consociational theory and the Northern Ireland conflict
Sara Dybris McQuaid (University of Aarhus)	Good neighbourly relations of family values: assessing British-Irish cooperation in a comparative perspective 1990-2010
Room 3	Teaching and Learning Panel
Chair:	Dr. Adrian Kavanagh (NUIM)
Fiona Buckley (UCC)	Preparing a teaching portfolio
Damien Bolger (UL)	Developing and formalising educational training in Third Level education: a doctoral student's experience of undertaking a teaching, learning and scholarship course for Third Level education
Bríd Quinn (UL)	Reflection and research: Reflection on research
11.00-12.00	
Bishops Room	Local Government Specialist Group

Session 2: 12.30 - 14.00

Room 1	Evolving Policy Process panel
Chair:	Barry Vaughan (NESC)
Marian Jennings (DIT)	Ireland's industrial relations and employment law dispute resolution system: time for reform
Thomas Murray (UCD)	Ireland's financial aristocracy: 1870-1970: A political economy of crisis in the longue durée
Tim McCarthy (UCC)	The role of ideas in punctuating institutional path dependency at critical junctures in the transformation of Ireland
Paul Donnelly & John Hogan (DIT)	Understanding policy change using a critical junctures theory in comparative context: the cases of Ireland and Sweden
Room 2	Government, Parliament and Reform panel
Chair:	TBC
Conor Little, Jonathan Bright (European University Institute) & Holger Doering (University of Bremen)	Ministerial career structures in 4 parliamentary democracies
Eimear O'Leary (UCC)	What is brokerage politics in the 21 st century Ireland
John Carroll (NUIM)	Types of questions; types of questioners; Parliamentary questions in 31 st Dáil
Mary Murphy (UCC)	First time TDs and the first 100 days: socializing new parliamentarians in Ireland
12.30-13.30	
Room 3:	Interest Groups and lobbying Specialist Group
Bishops Room:	International Relations and Area Studies Specialist Group

14.00 Conference ends