



DUBLIN ECONOMICS WORKSHOP

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

**Registration from 12.00**

### **McCarthy Suite**

**13.00**      **Keynote Speaker**  
Máirtín Ó Muilleoir, Northern Ireland Minister of Finance

### **Lecarrow Suite 2**

**15.00**      **High Level Panel**

***“Beyond the M50:  
What Economic Future is there for Rural Ireland?”***  
Finbarr Bradley (Smurfit Business School, UCD)  
Gerry Boyle (Teagasc)  
John O’Hagan (TCD)

Chair: Pat McCloghan (PMCA Economic Consulting)

**16.30**      **Tea/Coffee**

### **McCarthy Suite**

**17.00**      **Expert Session: Housing Supply, Old and New**

***“Why are construction costs in Ireland so high?”***  
David Dumigan (Hines)  
Jason Cronin (Virtus PM)

***“How can we manage our existing housing stock better?”***  
Lorcan Sirr (DIT)

**19.00**      **Dinner**

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## Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September

### McCarthy Suite

#### 10.00 The Economics of Healthcare in Ireland

Speakers include Jane Bourke (UCC), and John Crown (UCD/DCU)

### Oscar Wilde Suite

#### 10.00 Infrastructure: The Key of Regional Development?

***Planning for the 21st century using 19th century institutions – A time to take this seriously?***

Sean Ó Riordáin (Sean Ó Riordáin & Associates)

***“How many jobs will this create?”***

***Estimating the potential jobs from capital investment***

Laura Watts (Dept of Public Expenditure & Reform)

***Getting Value from Infrastructure***

Edgar Morgenroth (ESRI)

### Westgate Suite

#### 10.00 Understanding Irish Real Estate Markets

***Ireland’s Macprudential Rules, 18 months on***

Loretta O’Sullivan (Bank of Ireland)

***Applying a macroprudential risk analysis to Irish commercial real estate prices***

Maria Woods (Central Bank of Ireland)

***The limits of loan-to-income restrictions in the mortgage market***

Ronan Lyons (Trinity College Dublin)

#### 11.30 Tea/Coffee

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## McCarthy Suite

### 12.00 Higher Education in Ireland after Brexit

#### ***Efficiency Analysis of the Higher Education Sector in Ireland***

Zhang Qian (Trinity College Dublin)

#### ***Brexit and HEIs in Ireland***

Ellen Hazelcorn (HEA)

*Final paper to be confirmed*

## Oscar Wilde Suite

### 12.00 Empirical Research on the Irish Banking Sector

#### ***Irish SME Investment in Economic Recovery***

James Carroll (Central Bank of Ireland), Paul Mooney (Dept of Finance) and Conor O'Toole\* (Central Bank of Ireland)

#### ***Cross-country comparisons of SME borrowing costs***

James Carroll\* and Fergal McCann (Central Bank of Ireland)

#### ***Monitoring Ireland's payments system using Target II***

Paul Lyons and Terry O'Malley\* (Central Bank of Ireland)

## Westgate Suite

### 12.00 Can We Trust Ireland's National Accounts?

#### ***The Central Bank's Useless Harmonised Competitiveness Indicators!***

Frank Barry (Trinity College Dublin)

#### ***Problems with Ireland's national accounts: A user's perspective***

Conall Mac Coille (Davy Stockbrokers)

#### ***Interpreting the recent changes to the Irish Macroeconomic Accounts***

Chris Sibley (Central Statistics Office)

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**13.30 Break for Lunch**

### **McCarthy Suite**

**15.00 Ireland's Fiscal & Financial Stability**  
Presentations include Dermot O'Leary (Goodbody) and Colm McCarthy

### **Oscar Wilde Suite**

**15.00 Reforming Social Welfare**

***Low Pay: profiles and policies***

Micheál Collins (NERI)

***Universal Pension - towards a Basic Income***

Eamonn Murphy (Social Justice Ireland)

***The distributive effects of an increase in low pay in the Republic of Ireland***

Niamh Holton (NERI)

### **Westgate Suite**

**15.00 Expert-led Discussion:  
Informing Policy with Behavioural Economics**

Liam Delaney (UCD)

Karl Purcell (DPER)

### **McCarthy Suite**

**17.00 Keynote Speaker**

Sharon Donnery, Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of Ireland

**19.00 Dinner**

*Including an after-dinner speech by Marian Harkin, MEP*

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