Economic and Social History Society of Ireland



53rd Annual Conference
Trinity College Dublin

Friday 4th December

All sessions will take place on level 1 of the Trinity Business School

9.00am Registration

9.20am Opening remarks

9.30-11.00am

PANEL 1	PANEL 2	PANEL 3
Stephen Kennedy (University of Galway) The Irish Tenants' Protection Society: grassroots activism and rent controls for Dublin's working-class, 1934-1944	Seán Fenton (Trinity College Dublin) Living with the falling sickness: epilepsy, social circumstances and institutional care in late nineteenth-century Dublin	Antonina Stankova (University of Galway) and Cathal O'Donoghue (University of Galway) Between independence and economic development: reconstructing the Irish production system, 1926-1956
Filippo Barsi (Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa) Translating 'industrial democracy': a contested category in the Irish Labour Movement, 1897-1923	Sorcha Clarke (University of Galway) Experiences of female, upper-class lunacy in early twentieth-century Ireland: the case of Stella Moutray	Anna Devlin (Trinity College Dublin) The economics of peace-making in the Irish Free State during the 1920s and 1930s
Suzanne Jobling (Queen's University Belfast) 'Worth more pay than your husband?': attitudes towards women workers revealed in newspaper coverage of employment equality cases	Ciarán Casey (University of Limerick) The economics of mental hospital committals in twentieth-century Ireland	Desmond Gibney (National College of Ireland) and Eoin McLaughlin (Heriot Watt Business School) Municipal bonds in Ireland: the historical experience and potential for the future

11.00am Break

11.20am-12.50pm

PANEL 4	PANEL 5	PANEL 6
Natasha Mahony (Independent scholar) Hogs and hearths: a gendered analysis of medieval Dublin wills	Oluwaseun Williams (University College Dublin) Irish scientists and veterinary development in Africa: the career of Robert Pearson Lee in British Tanganyika and Nigeria	Martin Quinn (Queen's University Belfast) Clientalism and the wiring of rural Ireland: TDs as brokers in the rural electrification scheme
Libor Melioris (Trinity College Dublin) Wealth distribution and social mobility in Ireland 1880-1980: new evidence from probate, census and marriage records	Ella Armstrong (Trinity College Dublin) Labouring to learn: obstetric education in Dublin 1950-2000	Peter Connell (Independent scholar) 'The government wants a terrible lot of light'. Clearing the 'slums' and rehousing in 1930s Kilrush, Co. Clare
Gregory Walls (Trinity College Dublin) Finding 'the story of us': the 1926 Census	Kevin Finnan (Dublin City University) Identifying the doctors: treating the IRA during the war of independence	Maria Kane (Trinity College Dublin) 'Earning their bread by their own exertions': the Irish White Cross Parish Committee, Enniscorthy 1921-22

12.50-1.00pm Launch of the New Society Webpage

1.00-2.00pm Lunch

Postgraduate Meeting

2.00-3.50pm

PANEL 7	PANEL 8	PANEL 9
A panel based on the ERC project VOICES: Voices of women in Early Modern Ireland Speakers: Jane Ohlmeyer Daniel Patterson Claire McNulty Felix Vanden Bore Bronagh McShane	Maeve Hagerty (University of Edinburgh) Locating the Irish witch: folklore, modernity, and gendered magic belief in Ireland, c. 1880-1945	Charles Read (Oxford) Gender, economic policy and the politics of Irish manufacturing in the 1840s
	Christopher West (University of Aberdeen) 'Hutchings' Angels': an	Adam Kane (University College Dublin) Investing in times of trial: Irish women, finance, and the Famine, c. 1840-1852

Michael Flaherty Donal Farrell (Trinity College Dublin)	odd rector or a rector at odds?	
	Fionnuala Walsh (University College Dublin) Atheists, freethinkers and rationalists: explorations of 'unbelief' in early twentieth-century Ireland	Rebecca O'Regan (University of Limerick) Accounting for networks: how financial records can be used to reconstruct women's socio-economic communities in the mid-west of Ireland, 1850-1860
	Peter Gray (Queen's University Belfast) Presbyterianism and land reform, c. 1845-57	Kathleen O'Sullivan (Independent scholar) Becoming Dublin's Dior: Sybil Connolly, women's networks and the making of an international fashion house

3.50-4.00pm Break

4.00-5.00pm

PANEL 10	**PANEL 11**	**PANEL 12**
Rebecca Mowbray (Queen's University Belfast) 'Keep in step'? Gender, conflict and Northern Irish educational policymaking, 1965-1972	Lianglu Wu (University of Galway) 'Do like other women did': mobilities, intimacy and the lives of the 'wrens of the Curragh'	Scott McCarthy (Deakin University) Class, gender, and socialisation in the settle diaspora: Australia, 1875-1914
Aislinn Hoy (Trinity College Dublin) Till deaths do us part? Childhood exposure to group-motivated violence and intergroup relationship formation in Northern Ireland	Máire Hussey (Trinity College Dublin) 'I was very surprised how very naïve she is': a microhistory of Irish migration and sex work in late twentieth-century London	Emer O'Brien (University College Dublin) Self-strengthening in Ireland and the world: transnational racial discourses and the social world of Irish-Ireland, 1902-1912

5.00-6.00pm The K.H. Connell Memorial Lecture
Professor James Kelly (Dublin City University)
The evolution of worker association 1660-1870: the trade combination revisited

Saturday 5th December

All sessions will take place on level 2 of the Arts Building

10.00-11.30am

PANEL 13	PANEL 14
Michael Flaherty (Trinity College Dublin) 'The net income of practically all the parishes are quite inadequate in view of present conditions and in a large number of cases quite impossible': the financial difficulties of Church of Ireland parishes in Kildare and west Wicklow, 1900-1950	Ciara Henderson (Trinity College Dublin) The archive as vernacular memorial: reconstructing Ireland's lost history of infant mortality through the National Folklore Collection
Davide Lamparelli (University of Edinburgh) The loaf of bread and the spade: expectations and emotional reactions to Famine relief among the Irish rural classes, 1846-1847	Daithí Ó Corráin (Dublin City University) and Michael Loughman (Dublin City University) The provision, religious dimensions, and evolution of legal adoption in Ireland, 1933-1979
Fiona Slevin (Independent scholar) The workhouse as driver of local commerce and entrepreneurship in post-Famine Ireland: a microstudy	Deirdre Foley (Trinity College Dublin) Maternity policy and provision in twentieth-century Ireland

11.30am Break

12.00-1.30pm

PANEL 15	PANEL 16
Mel Cousins (Trinity College Dublin) Women, poverty and poor relief in nineteenth-century Dublin: or, what Eliza did next	Conor Curran (Trinity College Dublin) The origins and growth of association football in Derry, 1879-1913
Susan Byrne (Trinity College Dublin) Marginalised women - Muriel Mahony, repeat offender (1918-1937) and 2026 echoes	Conor Heffernan (University of Ulster) The £300 match that never happened: wrestling and the business of entertainment in Edwardian Dublin
Pauline Gorman (Queen's University Belfast) Women jurors and economic exclusion	Matthew Potter (Limerick Museum) The retailing revolution in Donegal town 1800-1975

1.30-2.30pm Lunch

Annual General Meeting

2.30-4.00pm

PANEL 17	**PANEL 18**
Olivia Hamilton (University of Oxford) The 'culture war': the politicisation of showband culture	Cormac Wilkinson (University of Galway) Charitable mobilisation and civilian participation in the Great War: a comparison of Connacht and the West Riding of Yorkshire, 1914-1918
Orla Hogan (University of Oxford) No fundamental change': the 1967 Censorship of Publications (Amendment) Act and the persistence of Irish print censorship	Declan O'Keeffe (Clongowes College) Time, energy and brass: why *Studies* did not fail
Ronan Kennedy (University of Edinburgh) Post-punk, polarisation and participation: alternative music in divided Belfast, Outta Control, and the A-Centre	Nadzieja Kolodziejski (University of Bristol) Denied and delayed: women's fight for military pensions in post-revolutionary Ireland, 1918-1950