

**Proclaiming the Revolution**

**Lower Aula Maxima**

**National University of Ireland, Galway**

**22-23 January 2016**

**FRIDAY, 22 JANUARY**

9.00 Registration

9.30 Introduction

9.45 **Keynote address:** Dr Brian Hanley (independent scholar)

 ‘The Ireland of our ideals': republicanism and separatism in 1916

10.45 Tea/Coffee

11.00 **Panel 1: Images of the Republic and Republicans**

Dr Conor McNamara (NUI Galway)

Popular and rhetorical notions of land and Freedom in the context of the 1916 Proclamation

 W.J. McCormack (former Professor of Literary History from Goldsmiths College, London)

 The Proclamation and its Democratic Credentials

 Dara Folan (NUI Galway)

 “Glúin na haislinge”: imagining an Ireland 'not free merely, but Gaelic as well’

 Dr Jackie Uí Chionna (NUI Galway)

 Shades of Green: Ideological interpretations of Irish nationalism in Galway 1916

1.00 Lunch

2.00 **Panel 2: ‘The whole nation and all of its parts’?**

 Liam Kennedy (Emeritus Professor of Economic History, Queen’s University, Belfast).

 Texting Terror: The Ulster Covenant and the Proclamation of the Irish Republic

 Dr Mary Harris (NUI Galway)

 The Proclamation and the Partition Question

 Dr Shane Nagle (Independent researcher)

 Contextualising the Proclamation: The Problem of Unity and Disunity in Nationalist Thought

3.30 Tea/Coffee

4.00 **Keynote address:** Eamon Ó Cuív. T.D.

 Does 1916 and the Proclamation have a relevance in Modern Ireland?

5.30 **Book Launch:** W.J. McCormack, *Enigmas of Sacrifice: A Critique of Joseph M. Plunkett and the Dublin Insurrection of 1916* (Michigan State University Press)

**SATURDAY 23 JANUARY**

9.30 **Keynote address:** Sinéad McCoole

 How Revolutionary? Addressing Irishwomen

10.30 Tea/Coffee

10.45 **Panel 3: Women in 1916 and Beyond**

 Maryann Gialanella Valiulis (Trinity College Dublin)

 The Proclamation of 1916: The Making of Equality

 Dr Micheline Sheehy Skeffington

 The role of Hanna Sheehy Skeffington in shaping post 1916 Ireland

 Dr Marie Coleman (Queen’s University, Belfast)

 Female veterans of 1916 and the Irish state after independence

12.45 Lunch

1.45 **Panel 4: The Pursuit of Equality**

Dr Mary Muldowney (Trinity College Dublin)

Working for "the principles of equal rights and opportunities for the people of Ireland". The Irish Citizen Army and the 1916 Rising

 James Curry (NUI Galway)

 Rosie Hackett and the 1916 Rising

Dr David Convery, (NUI Galway)

'The Communist Party of Great Britain and the memory of Easter Rising'

3.15 Tea/Coffee

3.30 **Keynote address:** Dr Emmet O’Connor (University of Ulster)

 How radical was the Proclamation?

4.30 **Final discussion** chaired by Dr John Gibney (Trinity College, Dublin)

**Admission to this conference is free but pre-registration is advisable.**

**To register, email your name and institutional/university details (if any) to proclamationconference@gmail.com**

