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**Irish Committee of  
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**IRISH CONFERENCE OF HISTORIANS**

**XXXIII**

**PROGRAMME**

**BORDERS &  
BOUNDARIES:  
HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES**

**NUI GALWAY**

**ONLINE**

**20-21 MAY 2021**

## *Irish Conference of Historians XXXIII*

### **Thursday 20 May**

9.00 - 10.30 Session 1

#### Panel 1A

**'Re-discovering St. Willibrord, Patron Saint of Luxembourg, First Apostle of the Netherlands and his County Carlow Connection'**

**Chair: Alison Forrestal (NUI Galway)**

**Dáibhí Ó Cróinín (NUI Galway)**

**Michel Summer (TCD)**

**Dermot Mulligan (Carlow County Museum)**

#### Panel 1B The Border

**Chair: Mary Harris (NUI Galway)**

**Martin O'Donoghue (University of Sheffield), "Faith and Fatherland"? The Ancient Order of Hibernians and the border question, 1912-25'**

**Brian Hughes (Mary Immaculate College), 'The 'wrong' side of the border: organised loyalism in Cavan, 1912-31'**

**Ian d'Alton, 'No border? The idea of the 'Protestant Free State' within independent Ireland after 1922'**

#### Panel 1C Boundaries in 20th Century Irish Society 1

**Chair: Gerald Power (Anglo-American University, Prague)**

**Barry Keane, 'The boundaries of Protestant Sex before 1916: Abstracts from the 1901 and 1911 census data'**

**Barry Sheppard (QUB), 'A peripatetic university of social ideas' –John Hayes and the international origins of Muintir na Tire's 'Rural Weeks'**

**Ciara Molloy (UCD), 'Beyond the pale? Representations of the Teddy boy sub-culture in Irish theatre, 1955-1965'**

**10.30 - 10.45 Break**

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10.45 - 12.15 Session 2

#### **Panel 2A Medieval Borders**

##### **Chair: Adrian Empey**

**Catherine Swift (MIC)**, 'Limerick c. AD 1200 – A frontier city in Europe's Wild West'

**Seán Ó Hoireabhárd (Maynooth University)**, 'Territorial changes in late pre-invasion Ireland'

**Kieran Hoare (NUIG)**, 'Urban Oligarchies and Border Society in later medieval Ireland'

#### **Panel 2B North American Borders**

##### **Chair: Enrico del Lago (NUIG)**

**David T. Gleeson (Northumbria University)**, "Didn't those cowardly Lincolnites Tremble': Irish American Identities in the 'Border' States'

**Bryan McGovern (Kennesaw State University)**, 'Young Ireland and Transnational Borders'

#### **Panel 2C Partition Perspectives 1**

##### **Chair: Brian Hughes (MIC)**

**Neil Fleming (University of Worcester)**, 'The Conservative Right, Ulster unionism, and the Partition of Ireland'

**Thomas Leahy (Cardiff University)**, 'The British Intelligence War Against the Provisional IRA in Rural Borderland Counties of Armagh, Fermanagh and Tyrone, 1969-1998'

12.15 - 13.0

**Break**

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### **Thursday 20 May**

13.30 - 15.00 Session 3

#### Panel 3A Partition Perspectives 2

**Chair: Gearóid Barry (NUIG)**

**Elaine Callinan (Carlow College), 'We go forward not accepting the Partition of Ireland Act, but rejecting it...': Partition Propaganda during elections campaigns from 1918 to 1921'**

**Micheál Ó Fathartaigh (NUIG) & Liam Weeks, (UCC), 'The Prospect of an Irish Border: The Response in Dáil Éireann during the Treaty debates, December 1921–January 1922'**

**Cormac Moore, 'The Day-to-Day Effects of Partition'**

#### Panel 3B Beyond the Pale

**Chair: Daniel Carey (NUIG)**

**Neil Murphy (Northumbria University), 'The 1525 Laws of Guînes, the defence of the Calais Pale and the re-emergence of English colonialism'**

**Steven Ellis (NUIG), 'Ireland's English Pale: the making of a Tudor region'**

**Chris Maginn (Fordham University), 'The Final Tudor Frontier: the north-west of Ireland'**

**15.30 - 15.45 Break**

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#### Keynote Lecture 1

"Good fences make good neighbours"? Borders and their management in early modern times'

**Raingard Esser, University of Groningen**

Chair: Steven Ellis (NUIG)

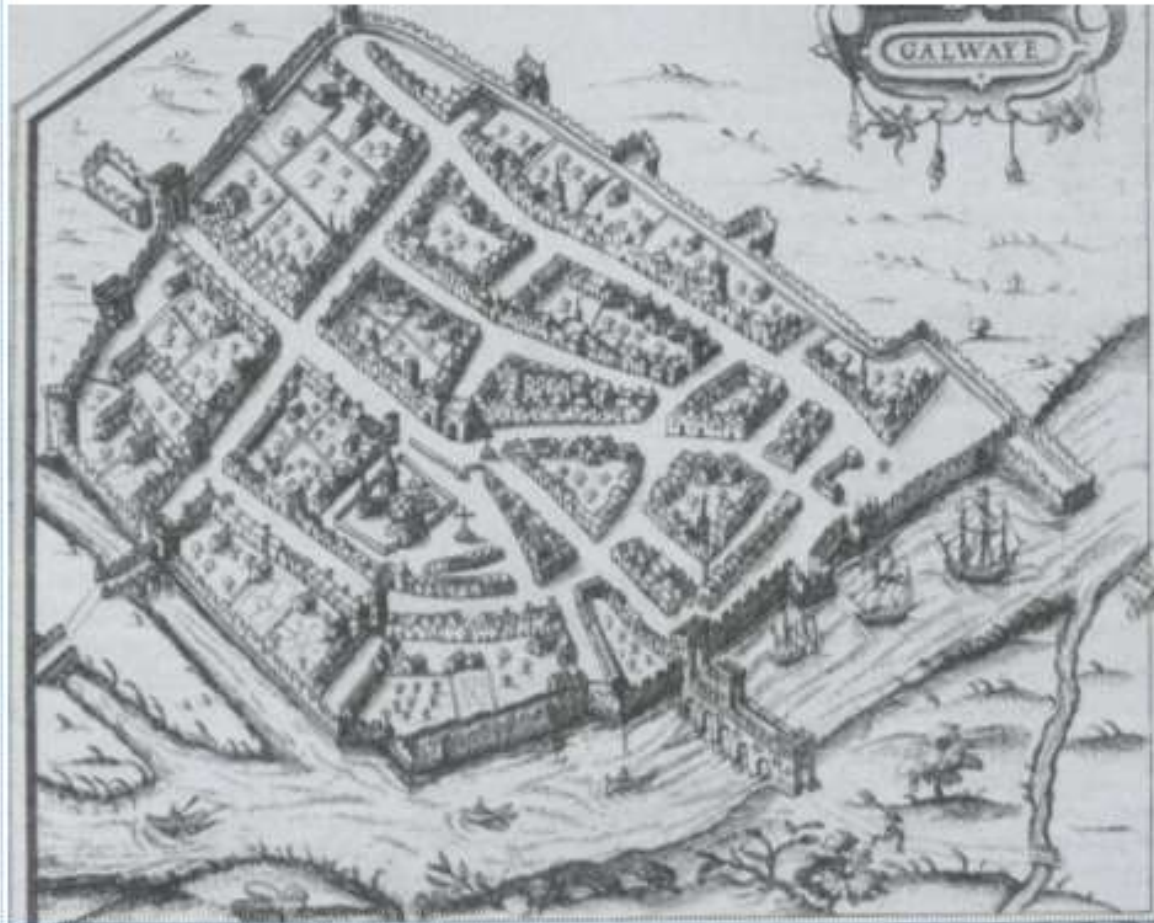
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17.15 - 18.00

#### **Book Launch**

Professor Nicholas Canny, NUI Galway, will launch Deirdre Fennell, *A Tudor viceroy: Sir William Fitzwilliam of Milton, 1560-1575, the reluctant lord deputy* (Hannover, 2020); and Carla Lessing, *Promoting 'English civility' in Tudor Ireland: ideology and the rhetoric of difference* (Hannover, 2021). The form volumes 11 and 12 of *The Formation of Europe/Historische Formationen Europas* series ([Wehrhahn Verlag](#), Hannover).



## *Irish Conference of Historians XXXIII*

**Friday 21 May**

9.00 - 10.30 Session 4

### **Panel 4A Boundaries in 20th Century Irish Society 2**

**Chair: Kevin O'Sullivan (NUIG)**

**Lia Brazil (European University Institute, Florence), 'Rooted in Rebellion: The Red Cross in Ireland'**

**Gerard Hanley (DCU), 'Fault Lines of Trade Union Disunity, 1922-1939'**

**Tomas Finn (NUI Galway), 'Politics and the praxis of power: the political establishment and the talented young in post WWII Ireland'**

### **Panel 4B Breaking Boundaries**

**Chair: Sarah-Anne Buckley (NUIG)**

**Ann Marie O'Brien (Maynooth University), 'Pushing boundaries: the transnational activities of Irish women, 1915-39'**

**Caoilfhionn Ní Bheacháin and Angus Mitchell (UL), 'Rethinking Irish (Proto) Diplomacy: The Case of Alice Stopford Green and Jean Jules Jusserand'**

**Leslie Herman (Columbia University), 'Building Narratives: Ireland and the Borders of Architectural History'**

### **Panel 4C Early Modern Boundaries**

**Chair: Patrick Geoghegan (TCD)**

**Ciarán O'Sceá (Independent Scholar), 'The importance of lordship and parish boundaries in Irish emigrant residence patterns in Madrid (1620-1680)'**

**Tracy McCarthy (MIC), 'The earl of Carhampton's extra-legal suppression of Defenderism in Connacht, 1795'**

**Ciarán McDonnell (Independent Scholar), 'Soldiers beyond borders: the Irish Brigade in the French Revolution'**

**10.30 - 10.45**

**Break**

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### **Friday 21 May**

10.45 - 12.15

Keynote Lecture 2

‘Contact Zones and Borders in Intellectual History: The Kingdom of Ireland and the Concept of Sovereignty 1541-1801’

**Prof Jim Livesey**, NUI Galway

Chair: **Niall Ó Ciosáin** (NUIG)

12.15- 13.30

**Lunch**

13.30 - 15.00 Session 5

Panel 5A Transnational Studies

**Chair: Roisin Healy** (NUIG)

**Kevin Malone** (University of California), ‘Gateways and Barriers: Urban Growth, Environmental Conflict, and the Making of a US-Mexico Border, 1945-1965’

**Gerald Power** (Anglo-American University, Prague), ‘The limits of culture: the British Council and cultural diplomacy in the Arab Gulf, 1955-67’

**Conna Parr** (Northumbria University), ‘Other People's Struggles: Irish-South African Borders and the Anti-Apartheid Movement’

Panel 5B All History in Local

**Chair: Séan Ó Duibhir** (NUIG)

**Brendan Scott** (Irish Roots), ‘Glangevlin, County Cavan: a kingdom within a county’

**Niall Murray** (UCC), ‘Republican command boundaries in the Irish War of Independence - strategic borders or causes of division?’

**Kate Bevan-Baker** (Concordia University), ‘Archipelago Soundscape: Finding Irish Fiddling on Prince Edward Island’

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Panel 5C Troubles

**Chair: Niall Ó Dochartaigh (NUIG)**

Chris Reynolds (Nottingham Trent University), 'Expanding the borders of memory: Northern Ireland and the global '1968'

Stuart Aveyard (Manchester Metropolitan University), 'Contesting the boundaries of the 'Troubles': the use of other conflicts in Northern Ireland'

Stephen Kelly (Hope University, Liverpool), "To hell or to Connaught": Margaret Thatcher, repartition and the Irish border, 1979-1990 '





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