



A THREATENED PLANET:

RECOVERY FROM THE PANDEMIC

MUST BE LED BY

A NEW VISION AND NEW VALUES

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 27th

10.00: OPENING OF MACGILL SCHOOL 2021

- Welcome by Director of MacGill School Dr. Joe Mulholland

10.05: THE PANDEMIC: THE COST, THE LESSONS AND THE ROAD AHEAD?

- Dr Mike Ryan, Executive Director World Health Organisation
- Prof Mary Horgan, President of The Royal College of Physicians
- Prof Kingston Mills, Prof of Experimental Immunology TCD, Academic Director Biomedical Sciences Institute
- In Conversation with Dr. Rhona Mahony, former Master of National Maternity Hospital, Obstetrician and Gynecologist

11.10: MUSIC FROM DONEGAL

11.15: THE ECONOMIC RAMIFICATIONS OF THE PANDEMIC?

- Paschal Donohoe TD, Minister for Finance, President of Eurogroup
- Prof Seamus Coffey, Dept of Economics, University College Cork
- In Conversation with Dearbhail McDonald, former Group Business Editor of Independent News & Media, Award Winning Journalist, Author and Broadcaster

12.15: TBC

13.00: BREAK

14.15: PROVIDING RELIEF FOR THOSE SUFFERING FROM CONFLICT, WARS AND DISASTERS

- David Miliband, CEO of International Rescue Committee, Former UK Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
- In Conversation with Olivia O’Leary, broadcaster, Journalist and Author

15.15: FEEDING THE HUNGRY IN AFGHANISTAN

- Mary Ellen McGroarty, Representative In Afghanistan Of The UN Organization, World Food Programme
- In Conversation with Dr Eucharua Meehan, MRIA Registrar & CEO, Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies

16.00: DEMOCRACY UNDER SIEGE—RADICAL POLITICAL, ECONOMIC & SOCIAL REFORM NEEDED?

- Paul Mason, Journalist at the BBC and Channel 4, Author of several works On Politics Including most recently; *How To Stop Fascism*
- Joan Hoey: Regional Director Europe, Economist Intelligence Unit ● Fintan O’Toole(TBC) Prolific Author And Journalist author of innumerable works Including most recently: *We Don’t Know Ourselves: A Personal History Of Ireland Since 1958*. Columnist with *The Irish Times & New York Review of Books* ● Dr Aidan Regan, School of Politics & International Relations, University College Dublin
- In Conversation with Aine Kerr, Co-founder of Kinzen, Journalist & Broadcaster

17.00: WILD BEAUTY OF DONEGAL

17.15: THE ERA OF THE MIND—WHY CONFIDENCE IS CRUCIAL FOR OUR POLITICAL, ECONOMIC & SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

- Prof Ian Robertson, Emeritus Professor of Psychology, TCD. Founding Director of Trinity College Institute of Neuroscience
- In Conversation with Zhanna O’Clery, Head of Advancement at UWC Duliyan College, Armenia.

18.00: CLOSE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28th

10.00 : WELCOME TO DAY TWO OF MACGILL 2021

10.05: CAN WE BUILD A STRONG EUROPEAN UNION IN THE INTEREST OF ALL PEOPLE ON THE PLANET?

- Prof Brigid Laffan, Emeritus Professor at The European University Institute, member of the Royal Irish Academy
- David O’Sullivan, former Sec. Gen of The EU Commission, Former EU Ambassador to Washington.
- Prof Daniel Schade, Visiting Asst Professor, Cornell University
- Bobby McDonagh, former Irish Permanent Rep. to the EU, Former Ambassador to the UK, Italy And Malaysia
- In Conversation with Shona Murray, EuroNews
- In Cooperation with European Commission Representation in Ireland

11.45: POLITICS THEN AND NOW AND INTO THE FUTURE?

- Mary Harney, appointed to the Seanad by FF Leader, Jack Lynch In 1977 at the age of 24. Went on to Win a Dail seat but joined with Des O’Malley in setting Up A new Party, The Progressive Democrats. Became Deputy Leader of the party In 1993 And went on to become Leader, the first woman to lead an Irish political party. In 1997, she became the first woman Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade & Employment. Her Last ministerial appointment was as Minister for Health.
- Mary Coughlan, elected To Dail at age 21 on the tragic death of her uncle, Clement Coughlan TD and, three years later, the premature death of her father, Cathal Coughlan TD. Went on to hold several portfolios including: Health & Children, Education & Skills, Trade & Employment, Agriculture as well as Education and Social & Family Affairs. Was Tánaiste and Deputy Leader, Fianna Fail 2008-2011
- In Conversation with David Davin-Power, former Northern Editor and Political Editor RTE

12.45: BREAK

14.30: CLIMATE CHANGE: ARE WE WILLING AND ABLE TO PAY THE PRICE? WILL THE ANSWERS BE FOUND IN GLASGOW?

- Prof John Fitzgerald, A member of The Independent Expert Panel set up by the Dept of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources’. Also a Member of The Irish Energy Research Council, The National Economic & Social Council, the EU Group for Economic Analysis and the Northern Ireland Authority for Energy Regulation.
- Prof Peter Thorne, University of Maynooth, Climatologist and Professor of Physical Geography, Univ. of Maynooth
- Dr. Tara Shine, Environmental scientist, Policy Advisor and Science Communicator

- In conversation with Dr Micheal O Cinneide, former director at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

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15.40: BREAK

15.45: THE SEAS--ONE OF MANKIND'S MOST PRECIOUS ASSETS IS BEING DESTROYED.

- Dr Peter Heffernan, Founder of The Marine Institute
- Dr Kakani Katija, Principal Engineer at Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute & National Geographic Explorer
- In Conversation with Dr. Easkey Britton, Research Scientist at NUI Galway, Winner of A Global World Surfing League Big Wave Nomination In 2011 & 2013. ● Author of: *Saltwater in the Blood*.

16.30: BREAK

16.45: RESCUE: FROM GLOBAL CRISIS TO A BETTER WORLD

- Prof Ian Goldin, Professor of Globalisation & Development, University of Oxford. His most recent Publication Is: *Rescue From Global Crisis To A Better World*
- In Conversation with Vincent Mc Carthy, Assistant Director MacGill Summer School. Co-founder & CEO of The Festival of Curiosity. Member of the Board of Directors of the European Network of American Alumni Associations and Respond Housing Association.

17.30: SCIENCE: THE FUTURE OF THE FIGHT AGAINST DISEASE, EPIDEMICS & THE PANDEMIC

- Prof. Luke O'Neill, Professor of Immunology at TCD
- In conversation with Dr Claire O'Connell, Scientist and Writer

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

11.00: WELCOME TO DAY THREE OF MACGILL 2021

11.05: POST PANDEMIC, OUR REPUBLIC NEEDS ROBUST AND VISIONARY GOVERNANCE AS NEVER BEFORE: ARE THE CIVIL SERVICE AND OIREACHTAS UP TO THE TASK?

- Vice-Admiral Mark Mellett, Former Chief of Staff of The Irish Defence Forces ● Ciarán Ó Cuinn, Director General & Head of Mission of Middle East Desalination Research Centre (MEDRC), Specialist Strategy, Management, Public Policy

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- Dan O'Brien, Chief Economist, Institute of International & European Affairs, Former Economist at The Intelligence Unit of The *Economist*, London and Geneva ● Prof Niamh Brennan, founder and Academic Director of The UCD Centre For Corporate Governance
- In Conversation with Pat Leahy, Political Editor *The Irish Times*

12.15: VIDEO BREAK

12.30: BREXIT: HOW NO ONE GOT WHAT THEY WANTED

- Prof Chris Grey, Author of: *Brexit Unfolded: How No One Got What They Wanted*. Emeritus Professor of Organisation Studies at Univ of London. Previously, Professor at Cambridge and Warwick Universities. Dr Grey Is a Fellow of The Academy of Social Sciences
- In Conversation with Sarah Carey, Columnist and Broadcaster

13.30: LUNCH

14.00: 21ST ANNUAL JOHN HUME LECTURE

- H.E. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Ambassador of Ireland to the United Nations Chair ● Dr. Don Thornhill (Moderator), former Sec. Gen of the Dept of Education & Science, former Chair of the Higher Education Authority,

15.00: IRELAND NORTH AND SOUTH: NEW THINKING AND A NEW VISION REQUIRED. ● TBA

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In Conversation with Tommie Gorman, former Northern Editor and former Europe Editor RTE, Award Winning Broadcaster and Journalist

16.00: VIDEO

16.30: HAS COVID-19 BROUGHT US ANY CLOSER TO MAKING THE WORLD A SAFER AND BETTER PLACE?

- Dr Fergal Keane OBE. Began career as a Journalist with *The Limerick Leader*

and RTE. Joined the BBC as N.I. Correspondent before being appointed South Africa Correspondent In 1990. Won a BAFTA Award for his report on the Rwandan Genocide.

- In Conversation with Mark Little, former CEO, News organisation, Storyful, former Washington Correspondent RTE, CEO of News organisation, Kinzen.

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17.30: MEETING THE CHALLENGES AHEAD AND OVERCOMING

THEM. ● An Taoiseach, MICHEAL MARTIN TD

- In Conversation with Sean O'Rourke, former Journalist and Editor, RTE

18.30: CLOSE OF MACGILL

