The Social Sciences Research Centre (SSRC) Annual Conference 2016

Galway: Today and Tomorrow

Thursday 20th October 2016
The Institute for Lifecourse and Society (ILAS) - NUI Galway
Auditorium, Ground Floor

09:15 – 09:45 Registration and Coffee

09:45 – 10:00 Welcome and Opening Remarks
Prof Kevin Leyden, Chair of the SSRC
Brendan McGrath, Chief Executive of Galway City Council (to be invited)

Session One

“The Emerging City”
10:00 – 11:15
Chair: Dr. Natasha Evers (Marketing Department, NUIG)

- Dr John Breslin (Growing Galway’s Startup Community)
- Dr Patrick Collins (Galway & the Creative Economy)
- Séamus Sheridan (Food & the Local Economy)

11:15 – 11:30 Break/Coffee

Session Two

“The Living City”
11:30 – 13:00
Chair: Rosemary Webb (City Architect, Limerick)

- Brendan Smith (Terryland Forest Park: Why Galway needs an urban park)
- Dr Mike Hynes & Students (Transport & Liveability)
- Colm Murray (Heritage Planning for City and Town Life)
- Leon Butler (Design, Art and the City)

13:00 to 14:00 Lunch

Session Three

“People and the City”
14:00 – 15:30
Chair: Judith O’Connell (SSRC Board Member)

- Dr Kathy Reilly (Access & Opportunities: Young people’s educational experiences)
- Dr Jenny Dagg (Refugees, the lived experience)
- Dr Kieran Walsh (Neighbourhoods as mediators of life-course participation trajectories: Findings from the 3-Cities Project)

15:30 – 16:00 Closing Remarks

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