

This year's conference, the 30th Irish Environmental Researchers Colloquium (Environ 2020) [Dublin City University](http://www.esaiweb.org/environ/) from April 27th to 29th 2020, organised in a collaboration between the Environmental Sciences Association of Ireland (ESAI) and the Water Institute at DCU. Environ is the longest running and largest forum for environmental researchers in Ireland with an average of 275 delegates attending the event annually. Dr. Sinead Mellett, Whittaker Institute is organising a special session on Agriculture and Climate Change. Dr. Edel Doherty will discuss the main findings from the Interreg project *RiskAquaSoil* and launch the policy report document. The overarching objective of the report is to present findings from the project on farmers' willingness to engage in climate change adaptation and the perceived barriers to climate change adaptation using Irish data as a case-study.

Dr. Denis O'Hora, Behavioural Scientist from the Department of Psychology, NUI Galway will discuss the Intention-behaviour gap in climate change mitigation and adaptation'.

The special session will also include three international speakers involved in the Interreg RiskAquaSoil project. Dr. Neide Areia, Centre for Social Studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal will discuss 'a comparative study between the Portuguese and Irish media coverage on climate change.'

Julia James a researcher from the Association Climatologique de la Moyenne-Garonne et du Sud-Ouest, France will discuss their research results on remote sensing and territorial analysis to adapt in face of climate change: assessing the risk, exchanging views and connecting actors for a better resilience. Adrian Dowding, Devon rivers and fisheries manager, Westcountry river trust, United

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Tuesday 28th April 2020 - 2pm-3.30pm session

Special Session: Agriculture and Climate Change – A management Plan for better resilience of rural Areas

- **14:00-14:15: Keynote: Dr. Edel Doherty**, Economics Department NUI Galway 'Understanding farmers' attitudes towards climate change adaptation'
Launch of Policy Report
- **14:15-14:30 Speaker 1: Adrian Dowding**, Devon rivers and fisheries manager, Westcountry river trust, United Kingdom, building water resilience across a mixed rural and built environment, which encourages biodiversity and healthy water courses
- **14:30-14:45 Speaker 2: Dr. Neide Areia**, Centre for social studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal 'a comparative study between the Portuguese and Irish media coverage on climate change'
- **14:45-15:00 Speaker 3: Julia James**, Association Climatologique de la Moyenne-Garonne et du Sud-Ouest, France Remote sensing and territorial analysis to adapt in face of climate change: assessing the risk, exchanging views and connecting actors for a better resilience.
- **15:00-15:15 Speaker 4: Dr. Denis O'Hora**, Behavioural Scientist, Department of Psychology, NUI Galway 'The Intention-Behaviour Gap in climate change mitigation and adaptation'.
- **15:15-15:30- Q&A**