# Sociological Association of Ireland - 44th Annual Conference - Ulster University, 5-6 May 2017

## Conference Programme

**Venue:** Ulster University, York Street, Belfast, BT

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FRIDAY Session 1  10.30-11.30 (60 Mins)

Exclusive histories

- Museums, the heritage sector and a sociological imagination? Enhancing participation for ethnic minority and migrant communities in Northern Ireland
- "'Every Damn Rebel Seems To Be A Man'. Gender and Republican Commemoration in Northern Ireland."
- Urbanization: Class and Gender in Mid Victorian Commercial Photography: Reading the Archive of Arthur J Munby (1828-1910)

Sociological teaching for the future

- Teaching sociology amidst the chaos of the disciplines
- Participatory Theatre: A flexible pedagogic tool for bringing public issues into academic spaces.
- Sociology of Irish Higher Education or An Irish Sociology of Higher Education? The Challenge of Southern Theory

Migration Contexts

- ‘Biographies of Internationalisation’: Methodological reflections on using the Biographical Narrative Interpretive Method (BNIM) to capture international student’s discourses and policy narratives – Speaking to Policy Speaking to Institutions
- Labour of love: Filipino migration in the Irish domestic and care sector
- When 'good' immigrants turn 'bad': resource competition and the Irish professional class

Media and Power

- Participatory cultures in Irish public service media: beyond paternalism?
- NI Screen and the Political-Economy of the Screen Industries in Northern Ireland
- ‘Africa Rising?’ Current Media representations on UK and Irish media coverage
Session 2  11.30 - 1.00 (90 mins)

PANEL: The normative and relational in sociology: the political significance of material and affective relations

SYMPOSIUM: The Troubles and Issues with Irish Identity

Technology and sociological futures
- The 'Privacy Shield' agreement through a Sociological Lens: Key actors and discourses
- Illuminating the 'Blackbox': A call for more robust sociological inquiry into technology design, development and adoption processes
- The online decivilising process?

Embodying professional lives
- Disability and Employment in the Civil Service: Lessons that Northern Ireland could learn from England and the US
- Prison officers' occupational culture and identity
- Construction of professional identity: a time of change and uncertainty for beginning teachers

Session 3  1.45-3.15 (90 mins)

PANEL: Generation What: Changes and Continuities in Irish Society

ROUNDTABLE: Immigrants as Outsiders on the Island of Ireland

Work, income, gender and race
- The moderating influence of welfare regime: religious denominations and gender role attitudes
- Why Income Inequality is dissatisfying? The Role of Subjective Social Status
- Negotiation and resistance strategies in Ireland's emerging activation regime
- How can we measure racial stratification: The hidden determinant of socio-economic dominance and economic inequality

Austerities, inequality and well-being
- Quality or Quantity: The Future of Public Dental Provision in Ireland
- Do Institutions Matter? Studying the Performance of Health Care Systems from a Migrant’s Perspective - a Quasi-Natural Experiment
- Instilling a 'spirit of fairness': A critical assessment of the Irish policy sphere's approach to 'equality' and 'entitlement' as determinants of access to health care provision
- Austerity's model pupil: The ideological uses of Ireland during the Eurozone crisis
Session 4 3.30-4.30 (60 mins)

New mobilisations, old issues: the power of protest - part 1

- ‘Tweeting to #Repealthe8th: Challenging the legal regime and Irish attitudes to abortion?’
- How Social Movements Produce Policy Change: Explaining the impacts of student protests on the reform of higher education in Chile
- New mobilisation, old issues: A look inside #Blacklivesmatter and the Women's March on Washington

Considering emotions

- Affective Transactions: Rethinking Emotion, Power & Habitus from a Processual Perspective.
- From Practices to Claims: The Emotional Social Order

Assessing wellbeing

- Household resilience and austerity in Ireland: evidence from the Enabling Resilience project
- The Spirit Level Revisited: The importance of relative income position for well-being
- The forgotten community: Exploring well-being and belonging in Northern Ireland's LGBT community

Digital Sociology

- ELSI for digital data
- Do gender and the presence of children have an influence on telecommuting practice?
- Disc’ world? A digital ethnography

Keynote speaker

Dr. Richard Barbrook, author of Imaginary Futures

Richard Barbrook is a senior lecturer in the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Westminster. In 1995, he and Andy Cameron wrote The Californian Ideology, which was a pioneering critique of the neoliberal politics of Wired magazine. His other important writings about the Net include The Hi-Tech Gift Economy, Cyber-communism, The Regulation of Liberty and The Class of the New. The Media Ecology Association selected Imaginary Futures as the winner of the 2008 Marshall McLuhan Award for Outstanding Book of the Year in the Field of Media Ecology. In 2014, Richard’s book about Situationist gaming was published: CLASS WARGAMES: Ludic Subversion Against Spectacular Capitalism. In 2016, he coordinated the writing of the Digital Democracy Manifesto for Jeremy Corbyn’s campaign for the leadership of the British Labour party which includes a firm commitment to support platform cooperatives.
SATURDAY

Session 5  10.30-11.30  60 mins

(In)tolerances
- An awkward truth: Hidden intolerance on the left in the UK
- The fear of smaller numbers’: (Re)constructing identities of American and European Muslims
- What shapes attitudes toward Muslim migrants in Europe?

Sports as Society
- On Being Head Strong
- Playing for time: Sport and identity in a post-conflict society
- ‘Smart, clued-in guys’: Irish Rugby Players as Sporting Celebrities in Austerity Ireland

Nationalism and its exclusions
- The significance of the UK’s exit from the EU for Northern Ireland: Insights from political sociology
- The Alienation of Minority Identities in Public Policy in Northern Ireland
- Literacy and Membership of the Nation in Twentieth Century Ireland

New mobilisations, old issues: the power of protest - part 2
- New and Old issues during the 39th G8 Summit in Northern Ireland

Session 6  11.30 – 1.00  90 mins

PANEL: Journalism, Discourse and Inequality

PANEL: Belfast: Reproducing or Transcending Ethno-national Conflict

Well-being in crisis
- Dying is Just Something She Wouldn’t do!
- Immigrant women’s experience of pregnancy loss.
- ‘Exploring through expressions of masculinity the needs and experiences of young men imprisoned in Hydebank Wood’.

Migrant narratives and modes of being
- Asylum seekers’ use of temporal emotion work
- Life’s a beach? How migrant capital and narratives of success emerge, converge and diverge among the Dubai-Irish
- Polish migration and imaginative cartographies of Belfast: through time and space
Session 7  2.15-3.45  90 mins

Roundtable: Debating the International Panel on Social Progress’s Report

MASTERCLASS  Researching the social world through big data.

Lived marginalities

- Life After Debt: A critical analysis of the engagement/non-engagement of debtors with the Insolvency Service of Ireland
- Social movement success and implicit inclusivity: The experiences of rural LGBT activists of the Irish LGBT movement.
- An ethnography of Vapefest Ireland 2017: an analysis of materials, meanings and competence
- HIV/AIDS and decriminalisation of Female Sex Workers in South Africa

Session 8  4.00 – 5.30  90 mins

PANEL: Irish Sociological Futures: Crises & Opportunities

Rethinking security

- Parking tickets and police reform: Culture, legitimacy and accountability in Irish policing
- Producing Security: Urban Securitization Through Fields and Capitals
- Community-Supported Agriculture in Dublin: Food Futures

5.30  Conference close