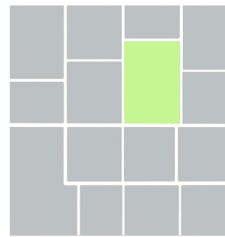


SAI 2021 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

ATOMISED SOLIDARITIES: TOGETHER / APART

May 7th & 8th. Online. #SAIConf2021



The past year has been dominated by the unprecedented event of the Covid-19 Pandemic. It is extraordinary in itself, but is also characterised by a rapid acceleration of social

trends, an amplification of persistent inequalities, and intensifying pressure to address questions of social justice. In addition, long-standing societal challenges, looming political dilemmas, and economic debates remain unresolved. Thus, we invite papers on the theme: 'Atomised Solidarities: Together / Apart'. Tremendous reserves of social solidarity have been revealed, while the concrete contexts of interaction, sociability and cooperation have been emptied by distancing and cocooning. The technologisation and mediatisation of social life has accelerated, producing a hyper-connected society, while the privatisation of life becomes entrenched. Espirit de corps and civic virtues were witnessed, all the while, the pandemic has effected the most vulnerable and socially excluded more acutely. Some have been able to feel, through their good fortune, that 'we are all in it together', but this has also been used to excuse not addressing others' demands and needs. What we have witnessed in the past year is new, but not novel, as the pandemic has accelerated, intensified, worsened and amplified social trends and realities that we have been living with for some time. The pandemic is after all an outcome of globalisation, the risk society, extractive capitalism and habitat destruction. It has also hardened resolve that was already strong, built collective efficacy, produced a sense that things can be different, and sparked imaginations about better arrangements.

Our aim for the conference is for it to be a forum for sociologists to come together (while apart), to learn from each other's work so that we can clarify the social trends, challenges, dilemmas and scandals we have pointed to. We want the sociological community to participate and reflect not just on where we are and how we got here, but where we are going, where we could go, and where we should go as a society. We will offer addresses from leading figures in sociology and panels on a range of specialisms, but also a strong emphasis on interaction, participation, exchange, dialogue, and fun, to make our online conference as close to the social experience of a conference that we all long for.

CONFERENCE FEES

- €20 for SAI members who are students, unwaged, and precariously employed
- €45 for non-SAI members who are students, unwaged, and precariously employed (fyi SAI Reduced-Rate Membership is €25)
- €40 for SAI members who are institutionally affiliated and on permanent contracts
- €95 for non-SAI members who are institutionally affiliated and on permanent contracts (fyi SAI Membership is €55)

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The conference at a glance:

Panels on...

Exploring the Multidimensionality of Biographical Research

The Culture of Economics

Race and Ethnicity

Harm Violence and Social Control

Socioecological Concerns and Climate Change

What Counts as Data

Work Makes the Worker

Solidarities and Wellbeing

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Race, Ethnicity and Education

Pedagogy of Sociology in Professional Practice

Who Belongs in the City? Space, Distance and Agency

Integration and Belonging

Youth, Connection and Responses

Framing and Mediatisation

Keynotes:

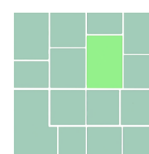
Professor Frances McGinnity: *Migrant Integration and Racial Discrimination in Ireland*

Professor Sally Shortall: *Privileged or Marginalised? Understanding Rural Dynamics*

Professor Katy Hayward: *Together/Apart: Irish Society a Century After Partition*

Professor Kieran Keohane: *After Covid, What Kind of Second Coming? The Nature of the Present Moment and Hopeful Possibilities for a New Normal*

Conference Programme at a Glance. *Room Names in Brackets*



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Friday 7th May

9.00-9.45	Welcome John O'Brien (SAI President), Jacqueline O'Toole (SAI VP) & Perry Share (ITS) (MAIN STAGE)
10-11.30	Panel Session 1. Exploring the Multidimensionality of Biographical Research: Challenges, Intersections, and Ethical Considerations in an Era of Profound Social Change (MARTINEAU) 2. The Culture of Economics (Econ1) (HILL-COLLINS) 3. Race and Ethnicity – Categorisations, divisions and ordering (HOCHSCHILD) 4. Sociology of Harm, Violence and Social Control (MERNISSI)
11.30-11.45	Coffee + Chats
11.45-12.45	Keynote Professor Frances McGinnity - 'Migrant Integration and Racial Discrimination in Ireland' (MAIN STAGE)
12.45-1.30	Lunch + Chats
1.30-2.40	Papers Session A. Socio-ecological concerns and climate change (MARTINEAU) B. The caring university? (HILL-COLLINS) C. Work makes the worker (HOCHSCHILD) D. Solidarities and wellbeing (MERNISSI)
2.50-4.00	Papers Session E. Methods, distance and collectivities (OYEWUMI) F. What counts as data? (YUVAL-DAVIS) G. Integration and belonging (DESAI) H. Emotion and crisis in the liberal state (LAMONT)
4.15-5.15	Keynote Professor Sally Shortall – 'Privileged or marginalised? Understanding rural dynamics' (MAIN STAGE)
Evening	Social event at a virtual café bar

Saturday 8th May

9.00-9.45	Keynote Professor Katy Hayward - "Together/Apart: Irish society a century after partition"
10.00-11.30	Panel Session 5. Liminal spaces: Institutes of Technology in the age of the TU (SKOCPOL) 6. Transformations of welfare (Econ2) (CHODOROW) 7. Engaged research: Repealing the Eight & reproductive justice research (VARGAS) 8. Race, ethnicity and education (LADNER)
11.30-11.45	Coffee
11.45- 12.45	AGM
12.45-1.30	Lunch + Chats
1.30-3.00	Papers Session I. Who belongs in the city? Space, distance and agency (SKOCPOL) J. Family, generations and transitions (CHODOROW) K. Youth, connection and responses (VARGAS) L. Framing and mediatisation (LADNER) M. Roundtable: Sociology in post-primary education: opportunities and challenges (ROMERO)
3.15-4.15	Keynote Professor Kieran Keohane - 'After Covid, what kind of second coming? the nature of the present moment, and hopeful possibilities for a new normal'

Keynotes

Professor Frances McGinnity

Associate Research Professor,
Economic and Social Research
Institute (ESRI) and Adjunct
Professor of Sociology at Trinity
College Dublin

[Website](#)



Friday 11.45am

Migrant Integration and
Racial Discrimination in
Ireland

Professor Sally Shortall

Duke of Northumberland
Professor of Rural Economy
Newcastle University

[Website](#)



Friday 4.15pm

Privileged or
Marginalised?
Understanding rural
dynamics

Professor Katy Hayward

School of Social Sciences,
Education and Social Work
The Senator George J Mitchell
Institute for Global Peace,
Security and Justice
Queens University Belfast

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Saturday 9am

Together/Apart: Irish
society a century after
partition

Professor Kieran Keohane

Department of Sociology &
Criminology, University College
Cork

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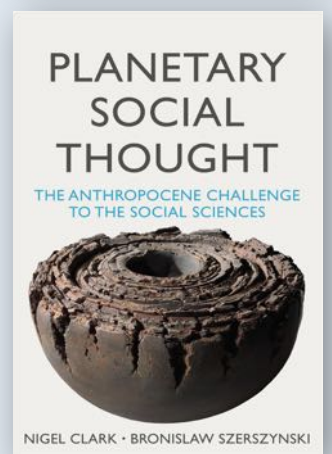
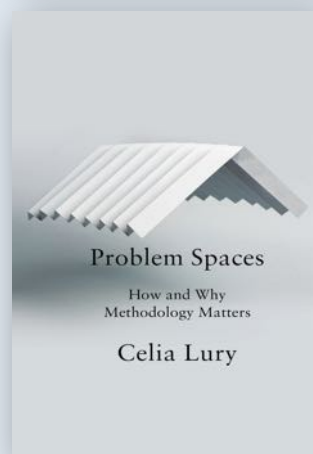
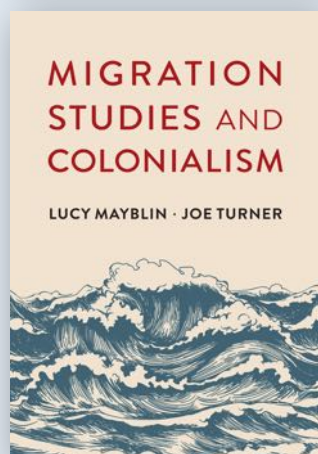
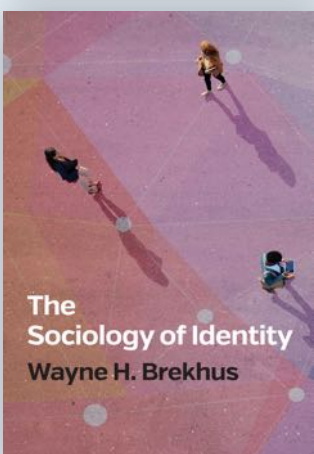
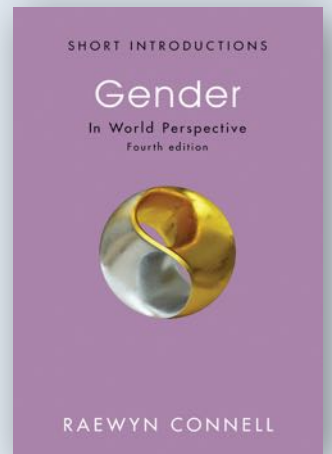
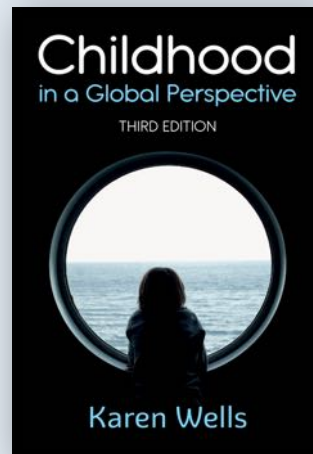
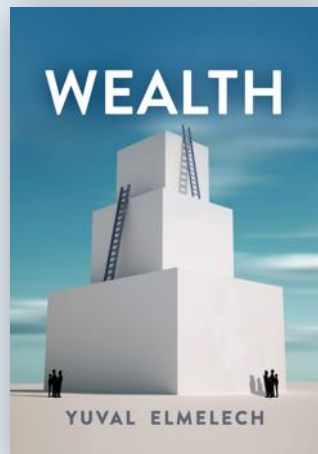
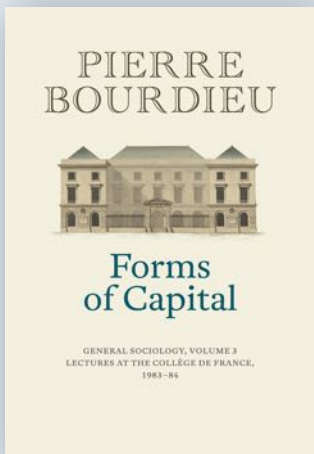
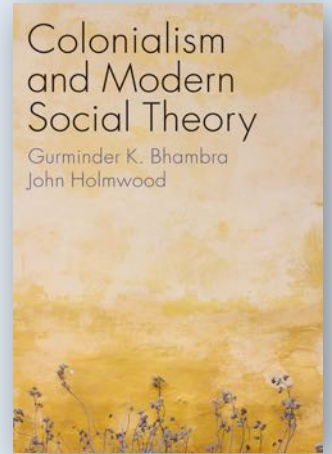
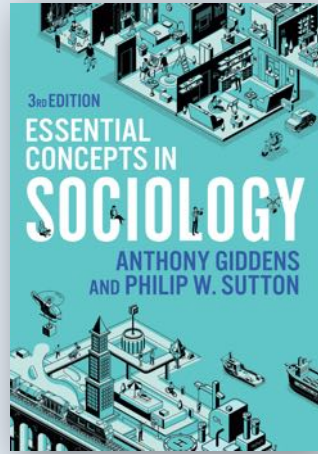
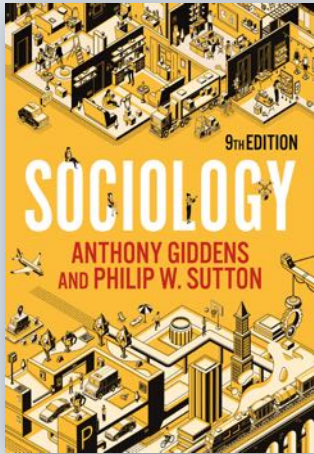


Saturday 3.15pm

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Panel Sessions, Friday 10 – 11.30

Panel 1	Exploring the Multidimensionality of Biographical Research: Challenges, Intersections, and Ethical Considerations in an Era of Profound Social Change	<p>Organised by the SAI Biographical Narrative and Lifecourse Research (BNLR) Study Group Chair: Dr Lisa Moran, Department of Social Sciences, Edge Hill University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative applications of biographical research: borders, risk and belonging - <i>Prof Maggie O'Neill, Department of Sociology and Criminology, UCC</i> • Coping with others' crises: The impact on researchers of studying biographical crises - <i>Dr Ana Caetano, Iscte-University Institute of Lisbon, Portugal</i> • Biographical evidence of social and educational inequalities: challenges and opportunities of the comparative qualitative biographical studies - <i>Dr Lyudmila Nurse, Department of Education, the University of Oxford</i> • 'Critical moments' within biographical longitudinal research: connecting a story told with a life lived - <i>Dr Paula Mayock, School of Social Work and Social Policy, TCD</i>
Panel 2	The Culture of Economics	<p>Organised by the Economic Sociology: Work, Markets & Welfare Study Group. Chair: Ray Griffin/Tom Boland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Damned isolation - <i>Rowena Pechenino, Maynooth University</i> • Working on ourselves: The ethic of transformative tests - <i>Tom Boland, University College Cork</i> • Historicising deservingness - <i>Joe Whelan University College Cork</i>
Panel 3	Race and Ethnicity - Categorisations and Divisions; Racialised Ordering	<p>Organised by the SAI Race and Ethnicity Study Group Chair/Moderator: Eburn Joseph</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theorising intersectional dynamics of inequality – the (im)possibilities of categorical equalisation, <i>Su-ming Khoo & Srinivasan Raghavendran, Whitaker Institute - NUI Galway</i> • An intersectional analysis of lifetime violence against women in the lives of African migrants in Ireland - <i>Carol Ballantine, NUI Galway</i> • The rise of far-right political parties and racism in EU - <i>Amin Sharifi Isaloo, University College Cork</i>
Panel 4	Sociology of Harm, Violence and Social Control	<p>Organised by the SAI Study Group Sociology of Harm, Violence and Social Control, convened by Andy Bray, Katharina Swirak and Theresa O'Keefe. Chair: TBC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The visible hand and the drug economy: local narratives on the violence associated with poly-drug markets in Dublin - <i>Matt Bowden, Technological University Dublin</i> • Techno-Carcerality: constructing the carceral field - <i>Andy Bray, Technical University Dublin</i> • Working at the edge of critique and praxis in carceral contexts, <i>Katharina Swirak - University College Cork</i> • The 'taboo on shame' and the logic of masculine violence - <i>Robert Bolton</i> • ACES and trauma: a science and movement for therapeutic support or moralising regulation? - <i>Liz Kiely, University College Cork</i> • Prison strip-searches as gender-based violence - <i>Theresa O'Keefe, University College Cork</i>

Paper Sessions, Friday 1.30 – 2.40

A.	Socio-ecological concerns and climate change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Societies on a precipice: Socio-ecological crises and imperatives for multi-level action' - <i>Amanda Slevin</i> • Situating Climate Change in relation to the Reproduction Strategies of Small Farmers - <i>Emmet Fox</i>
B.	The caring university	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring Transition and Process: A Theoretical Framework for Understanding Athena SWAN as a Means of Addressing Gender Inequality in Higher Education - <i>Monica O'Mullane</i> • Precarity, paradox and the long-early-career academic - <i>Deirdre McHugh & Jan Smith</i> • Contextualising Perspectives of Care-Experienced Students and Support Staff about the Quality of University Support Services: A Qualitative Exploration in a Post-1992 UK University - <i>Lisa Moran & Lorraine Green</i>
C.	Work makes the worker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The surveillance of teachers in the post-panoptic era - <i>Craig Skerritt</i> • The Colonisation of Life by Work in Software and Cultural-Creative Work - <i>Josh Moody</i>
D.	Solidarities and wellbeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Multi-perspective investigation of transformations of care in the workplace - <i>Aisling Tuite</i> • "They're, you know, their audience": how sexual harassment and violence against women is shaped by solidarities between men - <i>Robert Bolton, Claire Edwards, Máire Leane, Fiachra Ó'Súilleabháin, Caroline Fennell</i> • 'Bodily Boundaries: Irish male primary school teachers' understandings of their gendered positionality in contemporary primary schools' - <i>Suzanne O'Keeffe</i>

Paper Sessions, Friday 2.50 – 4.00

E.	Methods, distance and collectivities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dancing with Epistemic Borders: knowledge and unknowns in mixed-methods collaborations between dance and social science - <i>Aoife McGrath, Victoria Durrer, Peter Campbell</i> • Researching at a social distance: Methods that span time and space - <i>Hazel R. Wright</i> • <i>Hasta volvernós a abrazar</i>: Maintaining a space for collective healing even as we must remain apart - <i>Aisling Walsh</i> • Game Workers Unite Ireland: Making Data and Building Voice through Research - <i>Aphra Kerr and Josh Moody</i>
F.	What counts as data?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human trafficking across the island of Ireland: Who counts? Who's counting? Who wants to be counted? - <i>Amy Erbe Healy</i> • <i>Cui bono algorithmus</i>: a critical data studies exploration of public employment service algorithmic profiling - <i>Patrick Gallagher and Ray Griffin</i> • Exploring school self-evaluation through policy sociology - <i>Craig Skerritt Joe O'Hara, Martin Brown, Gerry McNamara, Shivaun O'Brien</i>
G.	Integration and belonging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaking Irish and belonging - <i>Lorenzo Posocco and Iarfhlaith Watson</i> • Ethnic and Gender Discrimination in the Irish Rental Housing Market: Results from a Field Experiment - <i>Egle Gusciute</i> • The Role of Social Networks in the Earnings of Immigrant Men and Women - <i>Maria Majerski</i> • The COVID-19 labour market shock in Ireland: were migrants disproportionately affected? - <i>Frances McGinnity, Ivan Privalko, Shannen Enright and Helen Russell</i>
H.	Emotion and crisis in the liberal State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conflict As A Catalyst For Peace ? The Case Of The Conflictualisation And Pacification Of Northern Irish Society Through Its Past And Present Political Crises - <i>Théo Leschevin</i> • Emotional States and Embodied Nations: Emotions and State Power under Covid-19 - <i>Jonathan G. Heaney</i> • Experiential Liberalism and Social Change in Ireland - <i>Gerard Boucher & Iarfhlaith Watson</i>

Panel Sessions, Saturday 10 – 11.30

Panel 5	Liminal Spaces: Institutes of Technology in the age of the TU	<p>Chair: John O'Brien, Waterford Institute of Technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The place of Ireland's new universities in the higher education landscape - <i>Richard Hayes, Waterford Institute of Technology</i> • From collective labour to human capital development: competing visions of the contemporary (technological) university - <i>Perry Share, Institute of Technology, Sligo</i> • Spaces of change: conceptualising the realm of work in the online institute - <i>Susan Flynn, Institute of Technology, Carlow</i>
Panel 6	Transformations of Welfare	<p>Organised by the Economic Sociology: Work, Markets & Welfare Study Group Chair: Ray Griffin/Tom Boland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beyond caring: the materiality of welfare marketisation-in-action - Ray Griffin (WIT), Zach Roche (WIT) • Remodeling street-level workers with quasi-markets: comparing Ireland's mixed economy of welfare-to-work - <i>Michael McGann, Maynooth University Social Sciences Institute</i> • Income support in an eco-social state: the case for participation Income - <i>Mary P. Murphy and Michael McGann, Maynooth University</i>
Panel 7	Engaged Research: Repealing the Eight & Reproductive Justice Research	<p>Chair: TBC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research within a disability rights framework: Re(al) Productive Justice Project - <i>Jenny Dagg, National University of Ireland, Galway</i> • How can other activists learn from the successes of the abortion rights campaign? practical problems with academics sharing useful information across social movements - <i>Aileen O'Carroll, Maynooth University; Maire Ní Mhordha, Maynooth University; David Landy, Trinity College Dublin</i> • How repeal can re-kindle women's community-based education - <i>Camilla Fitzsimons, Maynooth University</i> • The pregnant box: what happens when opera enacts an embodied analysis of fertile bodies - <i>Catherine Conlon, Trinity College Dublin</i>
Panel 8	Race, Ethnicity and Education	<p>Organised by the SAI Race & Ethnicity Study Group Chair/Moderator: Lucy Michael</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-racism education in Ireland: interrogating primary teachers' racialized identities - <i>Niamh McGuirk, Dublin City University</i> • Embedding anti-racism in a higher education programme - <i>Brid Ni Chonaill, TU Dublin Blanchardstown</i> • A snapshot of teaching: Using PhotoVoice as counter-storytelling to capture the narratives of minoritized ethnic young people interested in primary teaching - <i>Aoife Titley, Maynooth University/ Dublin City University</i> • Why understanding and unveiling white supremacy is vital for the advancement of antiracism education - <i>Ebun Joseph, Institute of Antiracism and Black Studies</i>

Paper Sessions, Saturday 1.30-3

I.	Who belongs in the city? Space, distance and agency.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Do you know what two metres looks like?': Precarious Entitlement to Public Space and the Coronavirus Pandemic - <i>Robert Egan</i> • How Street Markets Change: Agency and Context in Galway's St. Nicholas Market - <i>Mike Hynes and Tony Varley</i> • Rethinking the City of/as Festival - <i>Claudino Ferreira</i> • Walking, talking, and imagining a better society for sex workers - <i>Doris Murphy</i>
J.	Family, generations and transitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redeeming the sins of the father; Grandfathers' experiences and practises in a border community in Ireland; A Grounded Theory study - <i>Susan Kent</i> • Family Caring in a Pandemic: Emotions, Solidarity and Marginalisation - <i>Lisa Smyth</i> • Gender Equality and Opportunities for Change: Women's Farm Property Ownership in Ireland - <i>Tanya Watson</i>
K.	Youth, connection and responses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID19: Its Impact on the Grieving Child - <i>Aoife Gallagher</i> • Young Girls' Experiences of 'Good' Food Imperatives in a Working Class School Community: Rethinking Food Desire? - <i>Eluska Fernández Celaya, Karl Kitching, Deirdre Horgan</i> • Student Experiences of Socioeconomic School Integration in the Irish Secondary Context - <i>Sean Gleasure</i>
L.	Framing and mediatisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lies, Trust, and Conspiracy: Mass/Digital Media, Capitalism, Worldlessness & Arendt - <i>Ginna Husting</i> • The Mediatisation of Gambling in Ireland and the Individualization of Harms - <i>Aphra Kerr, John O'Brennan, Lucia Vazquez Mendoza</i> • "Civil Society and Sustainability" Framing child protection policy in news media channels - <i>Jurgita Jurkevičienė and Eimantė Zolubienė</i> • Campaign personalization, - the almost absolute role of party leaders in political communication in an election campaign - <i>Lorenc Ligorì</i>
M.	Pedagogy of sociology in professional practice	<p>Organised by the Pedagogy of Sociology in Professional Practice Study Group Chair: Aimie Brennan</p> <p>Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Browne (PASTAI Representative) • Garrett McSweeney (Politics and Society Teacher) • Karina Lyne (Science Teacher) • Lisa Moran (Post Primary SAI Representative).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of the Sociological Association of Ireland will take place on Saturday 8 May 2021 at the Annual Conference.

All current members are entitled to vote. Motions are closed in the days prior to the AGM.

Agenda

Minutes of the 2020 meeting

Constitution

Chair's report, including officers' reports

Elections for any vacancies arising

Motions submitted by Members (received by 1pm on Friday 30 April)

Any other business

Nominations

Nominations have been received for the following offices:

Vice President: Lisa Moran. Nominated by Amy Healy & Martin Laheen

Postgraduate Representative: Melissa Meyer - Nominated by Kieran Keohane. Seconded by Amin Sharifi Isaloo

Ordinary Members (2 positions):

Amin Sharifi Isaloo - Nominated by Lorcan Byrne. Seconded by Kieran Keohane

Gerard Boucher. - Nominated by Iarfhlaith Watson. Seconded by Sara O'Sullivan

Motions

1. Delete and rephrase references to the President as a male in the constitution

2. Amend the description of Honorary Membership, as set out in the constitution, by modifying Honorary Member definition and adding a category of Distinguished Member

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Expressions of Interest are welcome from any institution in Ireland to host upcoming Annual Conferences. Host institutions should be able to provide a suitable venue, a member of staff to liaise with the host institution, and demonstrate a connection with Irish Sociology. Expressions of Interest or queries about hosting the Conference may be sent to the Executive Committee before 1 July 2021 at sociology.ie@gmail.com



Irish Journal of Sociology

Journal of the Sociological Association of Ireland

A new Editorial Team: our vision

The IJS is based in Queen's University Belfast and Ulster University, with Professor John Nagle and Dr. Lisa Smyth the Editors in Chief. As the flagship journal of the Sociological Association of Ireland, the IJS is a crucial platform by which the discipline is coherently presented to a variety of audiences – academic and lay – within Ireland and abroad. We envision a future for IJS that continues to elevate the quality and reach of sociology and also attracts high-quality research from academics based outside the Republic and Northern Ireland.

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