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# The AoU and RIAI present: **Reimagining the Irish City and Town**

## 26 - 27 April 2023

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# Day One - Wednesday 26 April 2023

## Context: Global / National

**08:00 - 9:00**

**Registration in The Portershed**

### Session 01

**09:00 - 10:30**

*Session Chair*

**Setting the Agenda: Urban Placemaking**

Tony Reddy AoU, Reddy A+U

**Welcome: Ambition for Galway**

Cllr Clodagh Higgins, Mayor of the City of Galway

**Government Policy**

Minister Darragh O'Brien

**Places for People**

Charlotte Sheridan, President RIAI

**Cities for Living**

Jas Atwal, Chair AoU

**Panel Discussion**

Brendan McGrath, CE Galway City Council

Kathryn Meghen, CEO RIAI

**10:30 - 11:00**

**Coffee Break**

### Session 02

**11:00 - 12:45**

*Session Chair*

**Vision and Potential**

Dr Orla Flynn, President Atlantic Technological University

**Challenges and Opportunities**

Peter Hynes AoU, A4 Consulting

**International Models**

Seán O'Riordáin, SOR Associates

**National Strategy**

Alma Walsh, DHLGH

**National Delivery**

Niall Cussen, CEO OPR

**Panel Discussion**

Gus McCarthy, MKO

**12:45 - 14:00**

**Lunch Break**



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## Context: Global / National

**14:00 - 15:30**

*Session Chair*

### Session 03

#### **Building Blocks of the Future**

Prof Ciarán Ó hOgartaigh, President University of Galway

#### **Sustainable Transportation**

Andreas Markides AoU, Markides Associates

#### **Economic Models**

Yolande Barnes, UCL Bartlett

#### **Knowledge Economy**

Tony Reddy AoU, Reddy Architecture + Urbanism

#### **Residential Development**

Dearbhla Lawson, LDA

#### **Panel Discussion**

Joe Crockett, Independent Consultant

**15:30 - 16:00**

### Coffee Break

**16:00 - 17:15**

*Session Chair*

### Session 04

#### **Urban Futures: Delivering Change**

Peter Hynes AoU/RIAI, A4 Consulting

#### **Future Governance**

David Minton, NWRA

#### **Future Housing**

Martin Colreavy, DHLGH

#### **Panel Discussion**

Philip Jackson AoU, Scott Tallon Walker Architects

Rosie Webb, TU Dublin

**17:30 - 18:00**

#### **Walking Tours of Galway Historic Core**

**18:00 - 19:30**

#### **Rooftop Reception at Alcantara, Bonham Quay**

Hosted by Edward Capital



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# Day Two - Thursday 27 April 2023

## Galway 2070: Vision and Opportunity

**08:15 - 9:00**

**Registration**

**09:00 - 11:00**

*Session Chair*

**Session 05**

**The Future Galway**

Kathryn Meghen, CEO RIAI

**Context and Ambition**

Brendan McGrath, Chief Executive Galway City Council

**Galway 2070: Spatial Framework**

Jim Coady, Irish Cities Group

David Browne, Irish Cities Group

**Galway 2070: Culture and Place**

Marilyn Gaughan-Reddan, Chief Executive Comhlacht Cultúir na Gaillimhe

**Galway 2070: Green and Blue**

Patricia Philbin, DS Galway City Council

**Panel Discussion**

Denis Strong, NPWS

Karen Kenny, DHLGH

**11:00 - 11:30**

**Coffee Break**

**11:30 - 13:00**

*Session Chair*

**Session 06**

**Learning from Europe**

Mary Rodgers, CEO Galway CID

**Cambridge**

Peter Studdert, Peter Studdert Planning

**Aarhus**

Stephen Willacy, SWA+U

**Freiburg**

Wulf Daseking, Former Freiburg Chief Planning Officer

**Panel Discussion**

Frank Monahan, Architecture At The Edge

**13:00 - 14:00**

**Lunch Break**



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## Galway 2070: Vision and Opportunity

**14:00 - 15:40**

*Session Chair*

### Session 07

#### **Galway: A Work in Progress**

Méabh Conaghan, Enterprise Ireland

#### **Transportation**

Uinsinn Finn, SE Galway City Council

#### **The Sandy Quarter**

Gareth Maguire AoU, Reddy Architecture + Urbanism

#### **The Ceannt Quarter**

Jonathan Nugent, BDP

#### **The Galway Port**

Conor O'Dowd, CEO Galway Port

#### **The Medieval Block**

Emmet Humphreys, Galway City Council

#### **Panel Discussion**

Kenny Deery, CEO Galway Chamber of Commerce

Tony Canavan, CEO Saolta HSE

**15:40 - 16:00**

### Coffee Break

### Session 08

**16:00 - 17:15**

*Session Chair*

#### **The Galway Charter: Principles for 2070**

Mick Mulhern, South Dublin County Council

#### **Vision 2070**

Mark Gantly, Greater Galway Forum

#### **Galway Charter**

Kevin Murray AoU, Kevin Murray Associates

#### **Panel Discussion**

Jas Atwal, Chair AoU

Charlotte Sheridan, President RIAI

**17:30**

### Closing Reception

