



Housing Ireland Conference

How we deliver the homes that people need

Friday October 13, 2023
CWU Conference Centre
William Norton House, 575-577 North Circular Road, D01 TR53

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Conference Programme

9.20am-9.50am:

Registration

10.05am-10.30am:

Opening Address

General Secretary **Owen Reidy** on Congress proposals to develop a radical, new model of housing provision

10.30am-11.45am:

Session One Can Official Policy Fix the Housing Crisis?

- **Lorcan Sirr:**
Are we Building the Homes we Need?
- **Toby Lloyd:**
Can the Private Market Deliver on Housing?
- **Aidan Regan:**
Housing, Politics & Inequality

Chair: Ethel Buckley

(SIPTU, member of Congress Executive Council)

11.45am-12 noon:

Coffee Break

12 noon-1.15pm:

Session Two What Measures Can we Take to End the Crisis?

- **Michaela Kauer:**
Affordable & Sustainable, the Vienna Housing Model
- **Paul Goldrick-Kelly:**
A New Semi-State for Housing
- **Ann-Marie O'Reilly:**
Security in the Rental Sector and a Right to Housing

Chair: Phil Ní Sheaghda

(INMO, Congress vice President)

1.15pm:

Concluding Remarks

- **Justin McCamphill**
(NASUWT, Congress President)

A light lunch will be served

Speakers



Michaela Kauer is the director of the Brussels Liaison Office of the City of Vienna (Vienna House). She is a member of the Executive Committee of EUROCITIES and of its EU Urban Agenda Working Group. Ms. Kauer holds a Master's Degree in International Public Management and is a

visiting lecturer at a number of academic institutions, including Lille University.



Paul Goldrick-Kelly is an economist at the Nevin Economic Research Institute (NERI). A graduate of University College Dublin, Paul's work focuses on housing, healthcare, tax and revenue sufficiency and productivity performance. Paul's current research interests relate to housing delivery, ecological sustainability and political economy and Just Transition.



Toby Lloyd is a UK-based housing policy consultant with over 15 years experience of policy, strategy, communications and campaigning in the public, private and voluntary sectors. A former head of policy at Shelter, the UK housing and homelessness campaign group, Toby also served as a

Special Adviser on Housing and Local Government, to Prime Minister Theresa May. He is co-author of *Rethinking the Economics of Land and Housing* (2017).



Justin McCamphill is President of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions and has been a member of its Executive Council since 2013. He has served as the Northern Ireland Official for NASUWT, since 2014. Justin is the Secretary of the Northern Ireland Teachers Council and was a teacher 19

years, at Our Lady of Lourdes High School, Ballymoney and St Mary's College, Portglenone.



Aidan Regan is an associate professor at the School of Politics and International Relations at University College Dublin (UCD), and Director of UCD's Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in the New Political Economy of Europe. His research focuses on the comparative politics of the eurozone,

and housing markets and labour relations, wealth and income inequality. At UCD he teaches on issues such as: Capitalism and Democracy, the Politics of Inequality and the Political Economy of Europe.



Ann-Marie O'Reilly is the National Advocacy Manager with Threshold, the national tenant advice and support agency. She holds a Master's Degree from Maynooth University where her research focused on homelessness prevention policy and the private rental sector.



Owen Reidy is the General Secretary of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions. Prior to taking up the role he served as Congress Assistant General Secretary with responsibility for Northern Ireland. He has almost 25 years full-time experience in the trade union movement, starting as an

official with SIPTU in 1998. He has represented workers across a wide range of sectors and also led major industrial disputes, including at Greyhound and the Luas transport system.



Lorcan Sirr is a senior lecturer in housing at Technological University Dublin. A regular contributor to national media outlets on housing policy, Lorcan is the author of *Housing in Ireland: the A-Z Guide* (2019) and editor of *Housing in Ireland: Beyond the Markets* (2022). Lorcan has an MA from the

Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Belgium, and an MA and PhD from the University of Manchester.

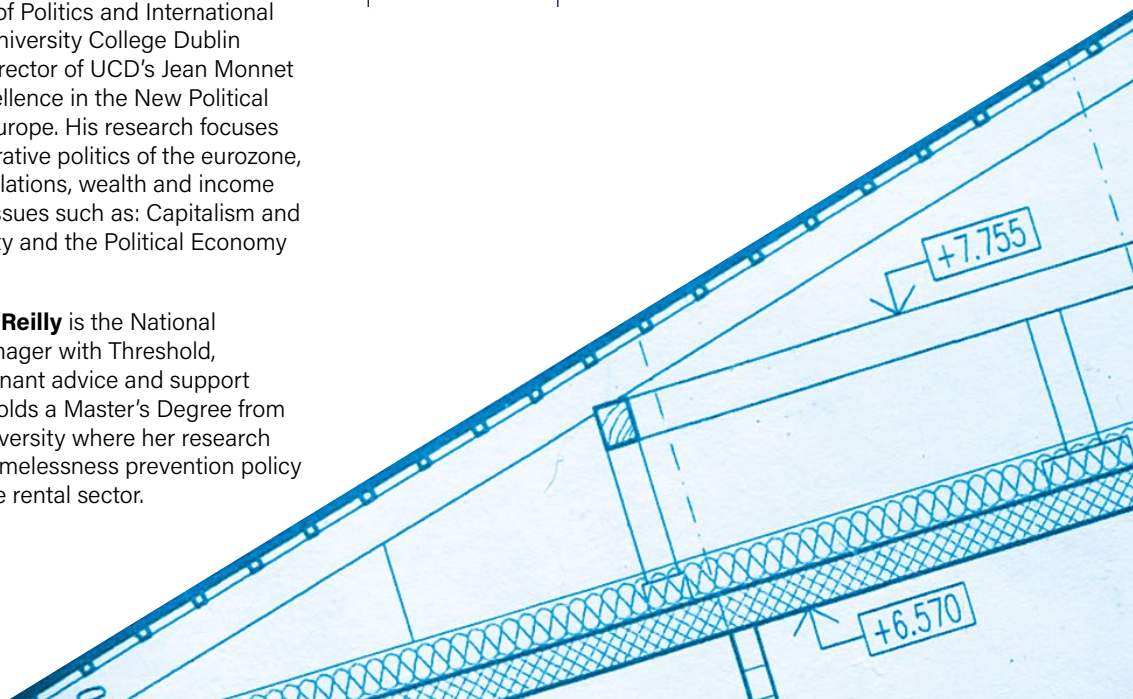
Panel Chairs



Ethel Buckley is Deputy General Secretary of SIPTU and a member of the Executive Council of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions.



Phil Ní Sheaghda is the General Secretary of the INMO and vice-President of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions.



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