

Wednesday 1st June 2022,
Croke Park Conference Centre, Dublin & Online

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

09:00	Registration
09:30	Event Opening & Housekeeping Conference Chair: Mary Frances Rochford , Programme Manager, Environmental Protection Agency
09:35	Session 1: Where are We on the Journey to Climate Neutrality and Resilience? Chaired by: Brian Carroll , Assistant Secretary, Department of Environment, Climate and Communication
09:40	Welcome Laura Burke , Director General, Environmental Protection Agency
09:50	Opening Address Eamon Ryan TD , Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications
10:05	Keynote Speaker: Key Messages from the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC) on the Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability of Climate Change Debra Roberts, Co-Chair IPCC, Working Group II
10:35	Ireland's Greenhouse Gas Emissions Projections 2021-2040 Stephen Treacy , Senior Manager, Environmental Protection Agency Emissions Statistics
10:50	Q&A
11:00	Tea / Coffee

11:30	Session 2: Planning for a Climate Neutral and Resilient Ireland by 2030 and Beyond Chaired by: Sharon Finegan , Director, Environmental Protection Agency
11:35	Keynote Speaker Paul Hogan , Chief Planning Adviser – National Regional and Urban Planning, Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage
12:05	Panel Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conor Murphy, Professor in the Department of Geography, Maynooth University • Matt Crowe, Chair of Project Woodland Working Group on Shared National Approach for the Role of Trees, Woods and Forests in Ireland's Future • Ken Cleary, Principal Officer, Manager Climate Unit, Department of Public Expenditure & Reform
12:35	Q&A
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Session 3: Scale and Pace of Change Needed to Achieve Climate Neutrality and Climate Resilience Chaired by: Eimear Cotter , Director, Environmental Protection Agency
14:05	Keynote Speaker: Driven to Make a Difference to Ireland's Climate Future Paddy Hayes , Chief Executive, ESB Group
14:35	Panel Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob Wilby, Professor of Hydroclimatic Modelling, University of Loughborough • Robert Burns, Director of Housing & Community Development, Fingal County Council • Pádraig Boland, FET Manager (Skills), Laois & Offaly Education and Training Board • Mary Frances Rochford, Programme Manager, Office of Environmental Sustainability, Environmental Protection Agency
15:00	Q&A
15:30	Wrap-up & Close Sharon Finegan , Director, Environmental Protection Agency
16:00	Guests Depart