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GOVERNMENT TIMES SCENE SET FOR 15th ANNUAL PHILIP MONAHAN MEMORIAL LECTURE



Philip Monahan Memorial Lecture – Department of Government, UCC

- 1. Professor Tom Garvin
- 2. John Hume
- 3. Francesco Rutelli
- 4. John Dennehy
- 5. Professor Robert Putnam
- 6. Mary McAleese
- 7. David Begg
- 8. David Norris
- 9. Robert Faucher
- **10. Dermot McCarthy**
- 11. Ivana Bacik
- 12. Charlie Bird
- 13. Emily O'Reilly
- 14. John Bercow

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Historic Visit by Taoiseach

The Department of Government has been eagerly looking forward to the visit of An Taoiseach, Enda Kenny TD, to deliver the 15th Annual Philip Monahan Memorial Lecture. The organisation of the event has involved a strong collaboration between students and staff of the Department of Government which is great to see. As well as the Taoiseach's lecture on the topic of a renewed public service we look forward to the contributions by the President of UCC and the Lord Mayor of Cork. Additionally it will be brilliant to see three of our outstanding students recognised with presentations by the Taoiseach.

With capacity reached it is not possible for everybody to attend the lecture but the event is being streamed live and can be viewed at <u>www.ucc.ie/en/live</u>.

Enjoy the day!

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Nobel Peace Prize winner, John Hume, delivered the second annual Philip Monahan Memorial Lecture in 1998.



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Guardian Newspaper Continues Series on Irish Local Government written by Department of Government Staff



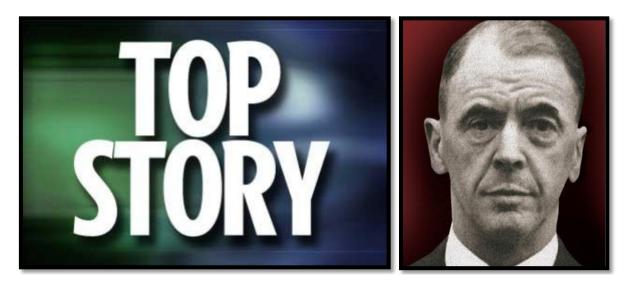
The Guardian newspaper has commissioned a series of articles on local government written by **Dr Aodh Quinlivan** of the Department of Government. To date, three have been published. The initial article on Irish local government reform appeared on 21 October 2013 and was entitled 'Austerity plans could see Ireland scrap 83 councils – but will it help?' Following the positive reaction to this article, Aodh wrote a follow-up piece in November about innovation in Irish local government. The latest article was co-written with the Department of Government's **Fiona Buckley** and was published last week on the issue of gender inequality in local government. The articles were commissioned by **The Guardian** following the publication of an opinion piece on local government reform by Aodh Quinlivan which featured in **Le Monde** in October.

New Book Publications



UCC's Department of Government is pleased to announce the publication of new book, The Uyghur Lobby, written by Dr Julie Yu-Wen Chen. An upsurge in violence between Uyghur and Han in China's far western region of Xinjiang has gained increased media and academic attention in recent years as was evidenced in the July 2009 riots. Numbering over eight million, the Uyghur are China's fifth-largest minority nationality, and their mounting aspiration for obtaining more autonomy has contributed to the recent ethnic conflicts in the region. This book looks at those who are seeking to preserve the Uyghur identity, and support the secession of Xinjiang from China in order to create their own independent state by exploring the global operations and sister groups of the Uyghur Diaspora umbrella organization, the World Uyghur For information, Congress (WUC). more please visit http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415709644/.

The second edition of the popular political science book, *Comparative Public Administration* (Taylor & Francis) will be published in May 2014. The Irish chapter in the book has been written by **Dr Emmanuelle Schön-Quinlivan**, **Dr Aodh Quinlivan** and the recently retired **Professor Neil Collins**.



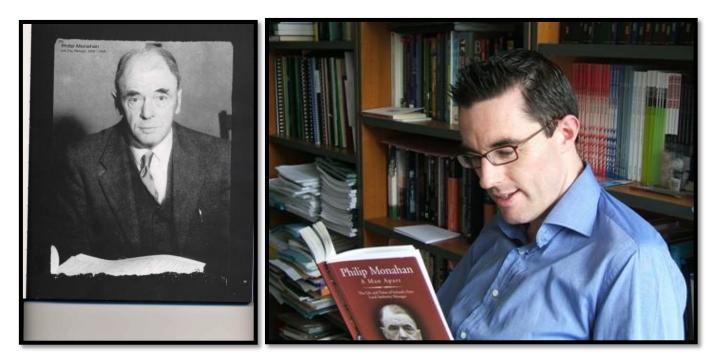
PHILIP MONAHAN LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES TO GROW

Each year the Department of Government at University College Cork hosts a prestigious public lecture to celebrate the memory of Philip Monahan. Monahan was Ireland's first local authority manager and he served as City Commissioner and then City Manager in Cork from 1924-1959. Monahan set the highest standards of probity and integrity in public administration and he defined the role of City Manager and the practice of public management in Ireland. The lecture series was inaugurated in 1997 and, as can be seen from the list below, has attracted some very distinguished speakers.

- 1. Professor Tom Garvin, Department of Politics, University College Dublin (1997)
- 2. Dr. John Hume, Nobel Peace Prize Winner (1998)
- 3. Francesco Rutelli, Mayor of Rome (1999)
- 4. John Dennehy, Secretary General, Department of Education and Science (2000)
- 5. Professor Robert Putnam, Professor of Public Policy, Harvard University (2002)
- 6. Dr. Mary McAleese, President of Ireland (2003)
- 7. David Begg, General Secretary, Irish Congress of Trade Unions (2005)
- 8. David Norris, member of Seanad Éireann (2006)
- 9. Robert Faucher, Deputy US Ambassador to Ireland (2007)
- 10. Dermot McCarthy, Secretary General to the Irish Government (2008)
- 11. Ivana Bacik, member of Seanad Éireann (2009)
- 12. Charlie Bird, RTÉ broadcaster (2010)
- 13. Emily O'Reilly, Ombudsman and Information Commissioner (2011)
- 14. John Bercow MP, Speaker of House of Commons (2012) *Lecture took place in February 2013

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Who was Philip Monahan?



Philip Monahan 1893-1983

Philip Monahan's life was interwoven with significant figures and events in Irish political and cultural history. Heavily involved in the Irish Volunteers and Sinn Féin, Monahan was imprisoned by the British authorities on three occasions. During his third incarceration he shared a cell with Éamon de Valera in Lincoln Jail and assisted in his escape. Following his release Monahan served as an elected representative on Drogheda Borough Corporation, where he was elected as Mayor, and on Louth County Council. He took the pro-Treaty side in the Civil War and was shot in the neck in 1922.

After recovering, he was sent to Kerry as Commissioner in 1923 by Minister Ernest Blythe to replace the dissolved county council and to administer Republican Kerry on behalf of the Irish Free State government. His final move was to Cork, where he managed the city for thirty-five years. His greatest achievements were the initiation of the Corporation's new housing programme, the eradication of the slums and the creation of the differential rent system. As Commissioner and subsequently City Manager, Monahan set high standards of probity and integrity in public administration – *suaviter in modo, fortiter in re* – flexible in method, constant in principle. He defined the role of the City Manager and the practice of public management in Ireland.

Quinlivan, Aodh (2006), *Philip Monahan – A Man Apart: The Life and Times of Ireland's First Local Authority Manager,* Dublin: Institute of Public Administration

WHO WILL WIN THE DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT STUDENT AWARDS 2013/2014?

On the occasion of the 15th Annual Philip Monahan Memorial Lecture, three Department of Government student awards will be presented – Student of Year; Graduate of Year; Patrick O'Sullivan Essay Winner. Whose names will be added to these prestigious lists?

THOMAS WHALEN STUDENT OF YEAR AWARD



2000	Holly Hardwicke
2001	Elizabeth Harrington
2002	Peter Ryan
2003	Hannah Lane
2004	Ann-Marie Tierney
2005	Denis Twomey
2006	Andrea Merrigan
2007	Darragh Mehigan
2008	Patrick Higgins
2009	Tracey O'Rourke
2010	John Kenny
2011	Pádraig Mac Consaidín
2012	Louis O'Keeffe
2013	



The 2012 Student of the Year, Louis O'Keeffe (currently on placement in the New York State Assembly) with Lord Mayor of Cork, Councillor John Buttimer.

RICHARD HASLAM GRADUATE OF YEAR AWARD



2003	Holly Hardwicke
2004	Elizabeth Harrington
2005	Jeremiah O'Sullivan
2006	Brenda Keating
2007	Tim McCarthy
2008	Matthew Ryan
2009	Colm Diamond
2010	Neepa Sodhi
2011	Laura Murphy
2012	Tracey O'Rourke
2013	



The 2008 Graduate of the Year, Matthew Ryan, with Dermot McCarthy, former Secretary General to the Government

PATRICK O'SULLIVAN ESSAY WINNER



2002	Andrew O'Leary
2003	Donal Holohan
2004	John O'Sullivan
2005	John O'Sullivan
2006	Cormac Cahill
2007	lan Mawe
2008	Niall Duggan
2009	Andrew Aherne
2010	Declan Keating
2011	Pádraig Mac Consaidín
2012	John Somers
2013	



The 2010 Patrick O'Sullivan Essay Winner, Declan Keating, with the Deputy Lord Mayor of Cork, Councillor Catherine Clancy

MEMORIES FROM PREVIOUS MONAHAN LECTURES



<u>Top Row:</u> Charlie Bird with the President of UCC and Dr Aodh Quinlivan in 2010; John Bercow MP with student helpers in 2013; <u>Middle Row:</u> Francesco Rutelli in 1999 and Senator David Norris in 2006: <u>Bottom Row:</u> David Begg in 2005 and Robert Faucher in 2007.

BSc GOVERNMENT - CK210

'Become a leader, rather than a follower'



The BSc Government is the flagship academic programme of the Department of Government and it is one of an exciting new generation of degrees on offer in UCC. The four-year programme combines political science and public administration with a broad range of other subjects in business, law, modern languages, social sciences and information technology. An attractive component of the BSc Government is the work placement in third year. This includes the prestigious internship in the New York State Legislature and many other highly prized placements in international (e.g. European Parliament) and national (e.g. Department of the Taoiseach) institutions. The placement programme for the BSc degree has been so successful that the model has since been copied by many other programmes.

Now, more than ever before, the study of government and politics is crucial. Politics affects everyone. Aristotle called politics the master science for a reason: he understood that through politics the future of the world is shaped. Ultimately, politics is the activity through which people make, preserve and amend the general rules under which they live. Do you want to be an active or a passive citizen? Do you want a say in how your future is shaped or do you want to blindly follow the path set down by others? Students of the BSc Government will be the political and business leaders of tomorrow and will be a vital part of the generation that shapes the 21st century. Accept the challenge and be a positive force for change.







GOVERNMENT BALL 6 FEBRUARY 2014 IMPERIAL HOTEL, CORK 'ROARING 20s' THEME

The Government Ball takes place on 6 February 2014 in the Imperial Hotel, South Mall. We are very excited to announce the theme this year is 'Roaring 1920s' so get your top hats, feathers and pearls out and join in the fun. Full tickets are \leq 35 and 'Afters' tickets are \leq 15. Tickets will be sold outside the Boole Library from 11:00am-2:00pm each Monday and Tuesday until the Ball. If these times do not suit, email the account <u>politics@uccsocieties.ie</u> and we can arrange another method individually.



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