

Department of Government University College Cork

3rd and 4th April 2014

Thursday, 3rd April – North Wing Council Room, UCC (Open to UCC students only)

Referendum Master Class

2.30pm – 4.00pm: Master-class on Referendum Campaigning with Prof. Michael Gallagher, TCD

- Referendum Campaigning
- Student contributions on 2013 Seanad Referendum: twitter views from the campaign trail
- Group Discussion

Prior registration in essential for this session. To register, please email Margaret O'Leary at <u>margaret.oleary@ucc.ie</u>



Government and Politics Review Launch by Dr Marian McCarthy

4.00pm – 5.00pm: Government and Politics Review Launch by Dr Marian McCarthy, Director of Ionad Bairre at UCC, followed by a reception for authors, friends and family.

Event kindly supported by UCC President's Awards 2013-14

Further information available from project convenors: Fiona Buckley (<u>f.buckley@ucc.ie</u>) and Dr Theresa Reidy (<u>t.reidy@ucc.ie</u>)

Friday, 4th April – Aula Maxima, UCC

(All welcome)

Sovereignty Regained: Has the bailout changed the Irish State?

Attendance is free but prior registration is requested. To register, please email Margaret O'Leary at <u>margaret.oleary@ucc.ie</u> Twitter Hashtag

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10.15am – 11.30am: Panel OneVoters and PartiesChair: Mary Smithwick, Cork Evening Echo

Prof Kevin Rafter (DCU): Media Framing, the economic crisis Dr Theresa Reidy (UCC): Citizens & Politics at the Crossroads Dr Jane Suiter (DCU): Tracking the opinion polls

11.30am: Break

11.45am – 1.00pm: Panel Two *Chair*: Mary Regan, *Irish Examiner* **Candidates and Office Holders**

Prof Michael Gallagher (TCD): TD & Ministerial Backgrounds: Changing or more or less the same?

Fiona Buckley (UCC): Legislating for Gender Quotas in Ireland: Changing Irish Political Culture?

Dr Adrian Kavanagh (NUIM): What New Political Landscape? Candidate Selection Trends at the 2014 Local and European Elections

1.00pm – 2.00pm: Lunch

2.00pm – 3.15pm: Panel Three Public Institutions *Chair*: Fionnán Sheahan, *Irish Independent*

Dr Eoin O'Malley (DCU): Rethinking Accountability in the Irish State Dr Bernadette Connaughton (UL): The role of Political Advisors Dr Muiris MacCarthaigh (QUB): Public Service Reform

3.15pm: Break

3.30pm – 4.45pm: Panel Four A Lot Done, More to Do: The reform roadmap to date Chair: Alison O'Connor, Irish Examiner

Prof Gary Murphy (DCU): The Culture of Lobbying Prof David Farrell (UCD): The Constitutional Convention Dr Aodh Quinlivan (UCC): Local Government: And now the reform challenge begins

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