

'Beyond the Ballot': forms of citizen engagement between democratic elections

Symposium of the PSAI Deliberative and participatory democracy specialist group

March 15th 2012 NUI offices, 49 Merrion Square Dublin 2

Programme

09.45: Registration, tea and coffee

10.15: **Key note speech** 'The Praxis of Deliberation' delivered by

Professor Jürg Steiner, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

11.15: Break

11.30: Panel 1: Deliberative experiments – institutional approaches

Professor David Farrell (UCD), Dr. Jane Suiter (UCC) and Dr. Eoin O'Malley (DCU) 'Information, Deliberation and Opinion Change: Results of an Irish experiment in deliberative democracy'.

Professor Peter Vermeersch (KU Leuven) 'G1000: deliberative democracy in Belgium'.

1.00: Lunch

2.00: Panel 2: Civil society participatory approaches to civic engagement

Dr. Mary P Murphy (NUIM) 'Deliberation about policy alternatives: a case study of Claiming Our Future'.

Dr. Gemma Carney (NUIG) and Dr. Chris McInerney (UL) 'Breaking the Logjam - expanding the role of the university in promoting civic engagement'.

3.30: Day's conclusions: Professor Jürg Steiner

