

The Conference is open to the public and all are welcome.

Please confirm your attendance by email to t.reidy@ucc.ie or by phone on (021) 4903028 by Wednesday 4th February, for catering purposes.

Tea/coffee and lunch are included in the conference.

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THE POLITICS OF TRADE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

FRIDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY 2009

COUNCIL ROOM, NORTH WING

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK

Conference Programme

9:15 – 9:45 Registration
Tea and Coffee
9.45- 10.00 Conference Opening

10:00 – 11:15: Panel One

All Politics is Local: Responses to Global Challenges

Chair: Dr Aodh Quinlivan – Dept of Government

Denis Cotter - Café Paradiso
Jennifer Sleeman - Sustainable Clonakilty
David Stanton TD – Fine Gael
Kevin Ryan – Cork County Council

11:15 – 11.45: Coffee Break and Poster Presentations

11.45 – 1:00: Panel Two

Nation State, Global Crisis: Ireland's Response

Chair: Ms Fiona Buckley – Dept of Government

Senator Dan Boyle - Green Party
Sean O'Leary -IFA – Munster Vice President
Heather Braiden – UFT

1:00 – 2:15: Lunch

2.15 – 2.30 Special Address on the Role of
the European Union on Trade
and Sustainable Development

**Micheál Martin – Minister for Foreign
Affairs**

2:30 – 4:00: Panel Three

Competing or Cooperating: Warming to the Issue

Chair: Prof Neil Collins – Department of
Government

Colm Burke MEP – Fine Gael
Kathy Sinnott MEP – Independent
Nicola McGrath – Tr-Aid Links

4.00 – 4.15 Conference Closing Address
**Billy Kelleher TD – Minister for Labour
Affairs**

Each panel will be followed by a questions and answers session