# EPA WATER CONFERENCE 2024

Registration deadline extended until Friday 7 June



12th & 13th June 2024



Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill



and Online











### **DAY ONE - WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE** 10:00 - 16:00



#### **INTRODUCTION & SCENE SETTING**

**Session Chair:** Dr Eimear Cotter Director, Office of Evidence & Assessment, EPA

09:15 In person registration

09:50 Online login

10:00 Water and biodiversity –
plans for the future
Fintan Towey, Assistant
Secretary, Water Division, DHLGH

10:20 European Perspective
Trine Christiansen, European
Environment Agency

10:40 Ireland's latest water quality indicators
Wayne Trodd, EPA

11:00 Questions and Answers

**11:15** Break

### WATER AND CLIMATE: ADAPTION AND RESILIENCE

Session Chair: Dr Eimear Cotter, EPA

11:45 Scenario planning and climate adaptation for water Conor Quinlan, EPA

12:05 HydroPredict: Ensemble River Flow Scenarios for Climate Change Adaptation
Conor Murphy, Maynooth University

12:25 Flood Forecasting in Ireland the story so far Rosemarie Lawlor, Met Éireann 12:45 Questions and Answers

13:00 Lunch

### WATER AND AGRICULTURE: AWARENESS AND ACTION

**Session Chair:** Mary Gurrie, Water Programme Manager, EPA

14:30 Policy Development
Bill Callanan, Department of
Agriculture, Food & The Marine

14:45 Teagasc's water quality campaign
Stan Lalor, Teagasc

15:00 The National Agricultural Inspection Programme
Ray Cullinane, EPA

15:10 The Water EIP – working with farmers to move beyond compliance
Mairead Whitty, Water EIP

15:20 A data-driven approach to target nitrogen reductions Eoin McAleer, LAWPRO

15:35 Questions and Answers

16:00 Day One Close

19:00 Conference Dinner (Optional)

21:30 Ballyvaughan Suite
Dress code: Casual

NB: Separate ticket required

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## **DAY TWO - THURSDAY 13 JUNE** 09:30 - 13:30



#### **WATER FOR HEALTH**

**Session Chair:** Anthony Coleman, Director of Services, LAWPRO

09:20 Online login

09:30 Water services - Overview from DHLGH
Donal Cronin, DHLGH

**09:50 Rural Water Services Review**Jean Rosney, NFGWS

10:05 Drinking Water Source
Protection – achieving success
together
Lorraine Gaston, Uisce Éireann

10:20 The recast Urban Wastewater
Directive – the future for
wastewater treatment
Carla McNeil, Uisce Éireann

10:35 Questions and Answers

10:50 Break

### RIPPLE EFFECTS – LEARNING FROM PEOPLE AND PROJECTS

**Session Chair:** Tara Higgins, EPA Research Programme Manager

11:30 The role of Rivers Trusts across the island of Ireland
Carol Quish & Freya Connolly,
The Rivers Trusts

11:50 The Burrishole Catchment – what long term monitoring can tell us
Elvira de Eyto, Marine Institute

12:05 Dublin Urban Rivers Life Lorraine Beirne, SDCC

12:20 CatchmentCare:
 an evidence-based approach
 to restoring river habitats
 Sarah McClean, Loughs
 Agency

12:45 Questions and Answers

13:00 Wrap Up

13:15 **Lunch** 

14:00 Conference Close

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