

National Energy Research and Policy Conference

Societal Transformation

Session 1 09:00 – 11:15

Connecting Research and Policy

Chair: Margie McCarthy,
Director of Research & Policy Insights, SEAI

09:00	Welcome Address William Walsh, CEO SEAI Ministerial Address Minister Eamon Ryan TD
09:05	Keynote - Dr Michael Ryan Executive Director WHO Health Emergencies Programme World Health Organization
09:20	Societal Transformation - Connecting Research & Policy Panel Participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Michael Ryan, World Health Organization • Marie Donnelly, Chair, Climate Change Advisory Council • Mark Foley, CEO, EirGrid
10:00	Break
10:10	Presentations – Setting the Scene <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr Rob Mooney, Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications <i>'FZV@Sfla' S^6[S^aYgVá' 5f_ SPVBUfla' [:dMS' V, EaUVMS^7 YSYW' WfS' V BgT^lUBSdf[UbSfla' [fZVW5f_ SPV 3Ufla' BS' '</i> 2. Dr Daire McCoy, Programme Manager, SEAI Behavioural Economics Unit <i>'Encouraging sustainable decision-making'</i> 3. Dr Brid Walsh, Climate Policy Coordinator, Friends of the Earth <i>'Embedding citizens and communities at the heart of the energy transition'</i> 4. Sinead Dooley, Head of Public Engagement, EirGrid <i>'Our Public Engagement Journey. Joining the Dots – an all of society approach to our energy transition'</i> 5. Ruth Buggie, Programme Manager, Sustainable Energy Communities, SEAI <i>'Energy communities leading societal transformation'</i>
11:00	Q&A Session
11:15	Break

Session 2 11:30 – 13:00

Research Sprint

Chair: Kerrie Sheehan,
Head of Research & Technology, SEAI

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11:35	Presentations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr Bernadette Power, Cork University Business School <i>'Community Engagement in Wind Energy: Innovative approaches to achieving a social license (Co-Wind)'</i> 2. Dr Gary Goggins, Public Awareness Manager, Wild Atlantic Nature LIFE <i>'Integrating non-energy policies to reduce household energy demand'</i> 3. Jean-Pierre Roux, Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland <i>'RESS household payments and community benefit funds: will it make a difference to community acceptance of wind and solar PV projects?'</i> 4. Dr Noreen Brennan, J.E. Cairnes School of Business and Economics, University of Galway <i>'Social acceptability of wind farms and electricity export: a discrete choice econometric approach'</i>
12:00	Q&A Session
12:15	Presentations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr Niall Dunphy, Cleaner Production Promotion Unit, University College Cork <i>'A contested space – citizenship in the energy transition'</i> 2. Katie Harrington, Codema <i>'Zero Together: Towards a cleaner, healthier Dublin'</i> 3. Dr Róisín Moriarty, Senior Researcher in Climate and Policy, University College Cork <i>'Ireland's 5-Year Climate Research Assessment Report'</i> 4. Dr Brian Caulfield, Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, Trinity College Dublin <i>'TRACT: TRAnsport Behaviour Change Trials'</i>
12:45	Q&A Session
13:00	Break

Session 3 14:00 – 16:00

Societal Insights towards Ireland's Clean Energy Future

Chair: Dr Lucy Corcoran,
Programme Manager, Research, Development & Demonstration, SEAI

14:00	Presentations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professor Patrick Devine-Wright, Professor in Human Geography, University of Exeter <i>'Placing people at the heart of the energy revolution'</i> 2. Dr Christina Demski, Reader in Environmental Psychology, University of Bath <i>'Public perceptions and attitudes towards the energy transition'</i> 3. Dr Claire Haggett, Senior Lecturer, School of Social and Political Science, University of Edinburgh <i>'Engaging communities in offshore wind projects'</i>
14:30	Q&A Session
14:40	Break
14:50	Societal transformation and accelerating Ireland's energy revolution to 2050 Session Chair: Jim Scheer, Head of Data and Insights, SEAI
	Opening Keynote Presentation Jessie Sheehan, Youth Voice
15:00	Societal transformation and accelerating Ireland's energy revolution to 2050 (Panel Discussion) Panel Participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Christina Demski, Reader in Environmental Psychology, University of Bath • Dr Geertje Schuitema, Associate Professor in Consumer Behaviour and Technology Adoption, University College Dublin • Ruth Buggie, Programme Manager, Sustainable Energy Communities, SEAI
15:50	Closing Remarks Dr Lucy Corcoran, Sustainable Energy Authority Ireland