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ISWE Conference: Diversity, Economics and Society

Date: 4 September 2026

Location: River Rooms, Central Bank of Ireland, North Wall Quay Campus, D01 F7X3

Conference Programme

- 8:45-9:15** *Registration and Coffee*
- 9:15-9:30** *Welcome and opening remarks*
Tara McIndoe-Calder, ISWE and ESRI
Mary-Elizabeth McMunn, Deputy Governor, Financial Regulation, Central Bank of Ireland
- 9:30-10:10** *Paper Session 1: Gender Norms, Work and Wellbeing*
Chair: Corina Sheerin, ISWE and NCI

Piotr Larysz (IZA Institute of Labour Economics): Gender Identity, Norms and Happiness

Gabriela Lobianco (UCC): Flexible Work, Migration and Gendered Labour-Market Inequalities in Ireland's Multinational IT Sector
- 10:10-11:00** *Keynote Address 1: Diversity in the European Central Bank*
Philip R. Lane, Member of the Executive Board and Chief Economist, European Central Bank
- 11:00-11:30** *Coffee Break*
- 11:30-12:30** *Paper Session 2: Education and Career Progression*
Chair: Dilan Aydin Yakut, ISWE and Central Bank of Ireland

Marta Korczak (EUI Florence): Publish and Perish? Tenure Requirements, Gender, and Academic Career Preferences among Young Economists

Lucie Martin (ESRI): Gender Bias in Education Attitudes in Ireland: A Survey Experiment

Federico Stronati (UCD): Do High-Stakes Exams Widen Gender Gaps in Early Adolescence? Evidence from a Middle-School Exit Exam Reform
- 12:30-12:40** *Comfort Break*
- 12:40-13:30** *Paper Session 3: Flash Talks*
Chair: Fergal McCann, ISWE and Central Bank of Ireland

Petru Calenici (UCD): Manager Gender and Employee Preferences: Evidence from a Survey Experiment

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Jennifer Keane (PayGap.ie): From mandated disclosure to public dataset: PayGap.ie and four years of Irish gender pay gap reporting

Matilde Joao Mota (Maastricht University): Breaking the man box - Parental leave reforms, intrahousehold care dynamics, and children's educational choices

Kumar Sridevi (TCD): Educational Inheritance: Protestant Missionary Schools and Contemporary Inter-Caste Literacy Rates

13:30-14:30 Lunch and Prize Giving

14:30-15:15 Women vs Capitalism

Vicky Pryce, Chief Economic Advisor and Board Member, Centre for Economics and Business Research

15:15-15:20 Comfort Break

15:20-16:00 Paper Session 4: Labour Markets and Motherhood

Chair: Edel Doherty, ISWE and University of Galway

Beatriz Gietner (UCD): The Dual Labour Market and the Motherhood Employment Penalty in Japan: Evidence from Household Panel Data

Iris Wohnsiedler (ESRI): The Impact of Free Childcare on Maternal Labour Supply in Ireland (2010-2024): Evidence from a Regression Discontinuity Design

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-17:10 Paper Session 5: Gender Violence

Chair: Míde Griffin, ISWE and TCD

Tara Bedi (TCD): Beyond the Transfer: Addressing Intra-Household Bargaining and Gender Norms to Maximise Women's Economic Gains

Alyvia McTague (University of Barcelona): Firearms Laws and Violence Against Women

17:10-17:15 Comfort Break

17:15-18:00 Policy Panel

Chair: Emma Howard, ISWE and TU Dublin

Vicky Pryce, Centre for Economics and Business Research

Karina Doorley, ESRI

Oisín O'Reilly, Outhouse

*18.00-19:30 Networking Event: Informal Drinks and Finger Food
(Dockers, 5 Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2, D02 P3C6)*