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Exploring the Irish Historic Towns Atlas

21 MAY 2010

Royal Irish Academy,
19 Dawson Street,
Dublin 2

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for booking
see note below*

■ Programme

This is the second in a series of three annual seminars intended to explore the workings of the atlas. Papers will compare towns and cities, examining specific topographical themes such as entertainment, health and manufacturing. A plenary session will discuss the methodology of the atlas in a broader context.

The seminar will culminate with the launch of *Irish Historic Towns Atlas, no. 21, Limerick* by Eamon O'Flaherty and *Irish Historic Towns Atlas no. 22, Longford* by Sarah Gearty, Martin Morris and Fergus O'Ferrall.

10.00–10.30 ■ Registration (Free of charge*)
Tea and Coffee

10.30–12.30 Chairperson — Raymond Gillespie (joint editor, Irish Historic Towns Atlas/Department of History, NUI, Maynooth)

- Introduction to seminar — Sarah Gearty (cartographic editor, Irish Historic Towns Atlas)
- Health — Eamon O'Flaherty (School of History and Archives, University College Dublin)
- Entertainment, memorials and societies — Angela Byrne (Irish Historic Towns Atlas)
- Manufacturing — Stephen Royle (School of Geography, Queen's University Belfast)

12.30–2.00 Lunch (several restaurants and cafés within walking distance)

2.00–3.30 Chairperson — Howard Clarke (joint editor, Irish Historic Towns Atlas/formerly School of History and Archives, University College Dublin)

- Kildare and Tuam — Paul Gosling (School of Humanities, Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology)
- Dublin and Galway — Paul Walsh (Archaeological Survey of Ireland)

3.30–4.00 Coffee break

4.00–5.30 Plenary session: Chairperson — Jacinta Prunty (joint editor, Irish Historic Towns Atlas/Department of History, NUI, Maynooth)

- 'Being-in-the-town: should the atlases capture experiences of town-dwelling in historic pasts?' — Tadhg O'Keeffe (School of Archaeology, University College Dublin)
- Response — Anngret Simms (joint editor, Irish Historic Towns Atlas/formerly Department of Geography, University College Dublin)
- General discussion

5.30 Launch of Irish Historic Towns Atlas, no. 21, *Limerick* by Eamon O'Flaherty and no. 22, *Longford* by Sarah Gearty, Martin Morris and Fergus O'Ferrall — light refreshments will be served.

*There is no registration fee for this seminar but places are limited so please RSVP by 17 May 2010 to secure your place. Tel. +353-1-6762570 ext. 207 or email ihtaseminar@ria.ie with the word 'Seminar' in the subject line.

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