



A Society of Free Nations? Identity and Values in 21st Century Foreign Policy

MONDAY, 30 MAY 2016

ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY STANDING COMMITTEE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

- 9.30 a.m. **Keynote address**
Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade Charlie Flanagan
- 10.15 a.m. **PANEL 1**— Chair: John Doyle
Chiara Loda, DCU: ‘Gaining membership through grand events? Azerbaijan, \ foreign policy and public diplomacy’
Mervyn O’Driscoll, UCC: ‘Irish post-war humanitarianism to Europe’
Bashir Otukoya, UCD: “‘*Bheith Éireannach*” (Becoming Irish). Privilege or right?’
- 11.45 p.m. Tea and coffee
- 12.00 p.m. **PANEL 2**— Chair: Ruth Casey
Hasmik Grigoryan, UCD: ‘Nagorno Karabakh as a Diversionary Conflict’
Ibrahim Natil, UCD: ‘Does Turkey’s foreign policy fail in Syria?’
- 1.00 p.m. **PLENARY PAPER**—Chair: Noel Dorr
Patrick Paul Walsh, UCD: ‘Ireland and the UN 2030 sustainable development agenda’
- 1.30 p.m. Lunch (not included)
- 2.30 p.m. **PANEL 3**— Chair: Kate O’Malley
Edward Burke, University of Portsmouth: ‘Idealism at bay? The values, policies and operational reality of Irish UN peacekeeping in the twenty-first century’
Kenneth McDonagh DCU: ‘Reframing the state: negotiating national identity through security practice in the EU’
David Fitzgerald, UCC: ‘Obama, US foreign policy and the dilemmas of intervention’
- 4.30 p.m. **ROUNDTABLE**—Chair: Ben Tonra
Speakers include: Colin Wrafter; Former Director, Human Rights Unit, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Professor Ronan Fanning; Professor Emeritus of Modern History at University College Dublin, Judy Dempsey; senior associate at Carnegie Europe and Patrick Smyth; Foreign Policy Editor Irish Times



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