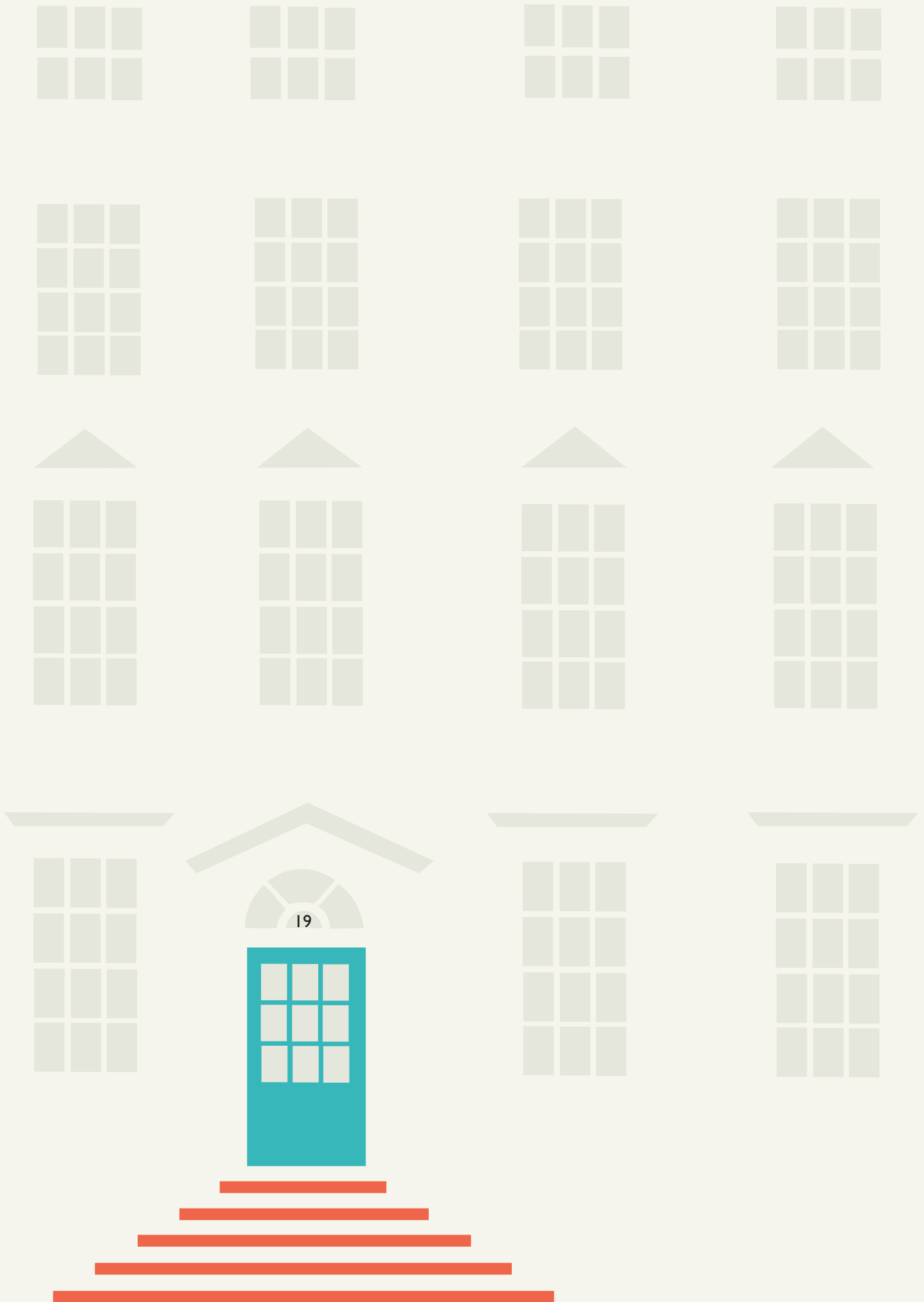


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GOVERNANCE

President and Council (from 16 March 2015)

President: Mary E. Daly

Committee of Polite Literature and Antiquities

B. Gabriel Cooney
Noel Dorr—Vice-President
J. Ronan Fanning
Imelda Maher—Polite Literature and Antiquities Secretary
Elizabeth Meehan—Vice-President
Geraldine Sheridan
Roger Stalley—Vice-President
Maria Baghramian
Andrew Carpenter
David Dickson

Committee of Science

Seán Dineen
Roger G.H. Downer—Senior Vice-President
John M. Kelly
Mary Kelly—Vice-President
Eugene Kennedy—Secretary
Michael Peter Kennedy—International Relations Secretary
John McGilp—Treasurer
Peter McHugh—Science Secretary
Mary Clayton
Werner Nahm
George Sevastopulo

Executive Committee

(from 16 March 2015)

The President	Mary E. Daly
The Senior Vice-President	Roger G.H. Downer
The Treasurer	John McGilp
The Secretary	Eugene Kennedy
The Polite Literature and Antiquities Secretary	Imelda Maher
The Science Secretary	Peter McHugh
The International Relations Secretary	Michael Peter Kennedy
The Executive Secretary	Laura Mahoney
The Staff Representative	Déirdre D’Auria

MEETING DATES

Monday, 12 January 2015.....	Executive Committee
Monday, 16 February 2015.....	Council
Monday, 16 March 2015.....	Stated General Meeting
Monday, 20 April 2015.....	Executive Committee
Monday, 18 May 2015.....	Council
Monday, 15 June 2015.....	Executive Committee
Monday, 21 September 2015 (Belfast).....	Council
Monday, 19 October 2015.....	Executive Committee
Monday, 16 November 2015.....	Council
Monday, 30 November 2015.....	Stated General Meeting

STAFF LIST

as at 31 December 2015

Executive Secretary

Laura Mahoney

Accounts

Lesley Goulding	Head of Accounts
Catherine Behan	Assistant Accounts Officer
Lisa Doyle	Assistant Accounts Officer

Communications and Public Affairs

Pauric Dempsey	Head of Communications
Niamh Mongey	Press and Communications Officer

Dictionary of Irish Biography

James Quinn	Managing Editor
Linde Lunney	Editorial Secretary
Patrick Maume	Editorial Assistant
Terry Clavin	Editorial Assistant and Administrator
Turlough O'Riordan	Editorial Administrator
Lawrence White	Research and Editorial Assistant

Documents on Irish Foreign Policy

Michael Kennedy	Executive Editor
Kate O'Malley	Assistant Editor

Dictionary of Medieval Latin from Celtic Sources

Anthony Harvey	Editor
Liz Dawson	Postdoctoral Researcher
Angela Malthouse	Project Assistant
Jane Power	Project Assistant

Digital Repository of Ireland

Natalie Harrower	Acting Director
Paddi Leinster	Programme Manager
Rebecca Grant	Digital Archivist
Clare Lanigan	Education and Outreach Co-Ordinator

Sharon Webb	Knowledge Transfer Manager, DAH PhD Programme
Lorna Murphy	Executive Assistant, DAH PhD (until November 2015)
Dolores Grant	Digital Archivist, Irish Record Linkage Project
Caroline McGee	Inspiring Ireland, Project Creative Lead
Kevin Long	Inspiring Ireland, Digital Data Curator

Facilities

Hugh Shiels	Facilities Manager
Paul Mitchell	Services Officer

Foclóir na Nua-Ghaeilge

Oifig Bhaile Átha Cliath

Déirdre D'Auria	Eagarthóir Cúnta
Eilís Ní Mhearraí	Clárbhainisteoir

Oifig Dhún na nGall

Pádraig Mac Con Uladh	Bainisteoir
Eithne Ní Ghallchobhair	Eagarthóir Cúnta
Niall Ó Ceallaigh	Próiseálaí Téacsanna
Caroline Ní Chasaide	Próiseálaí Téacsanna

Human Resources

Jemma Lyons	Acting Head of HR
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Irish Historic Towns Atlas

Sarah Gearty	Cartographic Editor and Project Administrator
Frank Cullen	Editorial Assistant
Jennifer Moore	Editorial Assistant
Anne Rosenbusch	Research Assistant

Irish Humanities Alliance

Aoibhín De Búrca	Communications and Outreach Manager
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IT

Wayne Aherne	Head of IT
Derek Cosgrave	Web Developer
Alan Jacob	Senior IT Support Specialist
David Martin	IT Support Specialist
Maura Matthews	Webmaster

Library

Siobhán Fitzpatrick	Librarian
Bernadette Cunningham	Deputy Librarian
Sophie Evans	Assistant Librarian
Amy Hughes	Assistant Librarian
Dave McKeon	Library Assistant
Konstantin Ermolin	Library Assistant
Karen de Lacey	Archivist
Dymphna Moore	Senior Executive Assistant

Policy and International Relations

John Maguire	Acting Head of Policy and International Relations (from June 2015)
Paul Lynam	Policy and International Relations Manager
Sinéad Riordan	Head of Policy and International Relations (Career break from June 2015)

Programmes and Administration

Gilly Clarke	Acting Head of Programmes and Administration (from October 2015)
Rebecca Farrell	Acting Senior Programme Manager (from July 2015)
Aisling Roche	Programme Manager
Karen Ayton	Senior Executive Assistant
Sharon O'Connor	Senior Executive Assistant
Anisa Brennan	Senior Executive Assistant
Lorna Murphy	Senior Executive Assistant (Maternity cover from November 2015)
Rebecca Gageby	Head of Programmes and Administration (Career break from October 2015)

Publications

Ruth Hegarty	Managing Editor of Publications
Helena King	Assistant Editor
Trevor Mullins	Publications Assistant
Fidelma Slattery	Graphic Designer
Jeff Wilson	Centenary Programme Manager

STANDING COMMITTEES

as at 31 December 2015

Advisory Committee on the Assessment of Candidates for Membership

The Polite Literature and Antiquities Advisory Subcommittee and the Science Advisory Subcommittee met three times each in 2015

The Polite Literature and Antiquities Advisory Subcommittee

Mary E. Daly—President (Chair)

Pádraig Breatnach

Daniel Carey

David Farrell

John FitzGerald

Jonathan Gorman

John N. Horne

Siniša Malešević

Christopher Morash

Geraldine Sheridan

Sally Wheeler

In attendance

Rebecca Farrell—Acting Senior Programme Manager

Karen Ayton—Senior Executive Assistant

The Science Advisory Subcommittee

Roger G.H. Downer—Senior Vice-President (Chair)

Tom Brazil

Stephen Gardiner

Catherine Godson

Jane Grimson

Christine Maggs

Aaron Maule

John McGarvey

Colin O'Dowd

Eoin O'Reilly

Thomas Ray

In attendance

Rebecca Farrell—Acting Senior Programme Manager

Karen Ayton—Senior Executive Assistant

Review Committee on Honorary Membership

The Review Committee on Honorary Membership met three times in 2015

Mary E. Daly—President (Chair)

Nicholas P. Canny

Luke Drury
Eugene Kennedy—Secretary
Imelda Maher—Polite Literature and Antiquities Secretary
John McGilp—Treasurer
Peter McHugh—Science Secretary
James Slevin
In attendance
Rebecca Farrell—Acting Senior Programme Manager
Karen Ayton—Senior Executive Assistant

Review Committee on Council Recommended Members

The Review Committee on Council Recommended Members met once in 2015

Mary E. Daly—President (Chair)
Jane Conroy
David Dickson
Eugene Kennedy—Secretary
Rose Anne Kenny
Imelda Maher—Polite Literature and Antiquities Secretary
Peter McHugh—Science Secretary
P. Gerry McKenna
In attendance
Gilly Clarke—Acting Head of Programmes and Administration
Karen Ayton—Senior Executive Assistant

North-South Standing Committee

The North–South Standing Committee met three times in 2015

Roger G.H. Downer—Senior Vice-President (Chair)
Kenneth Bloomfield
Vani K. Borooah
Maurice Hayes
David N. Livingstone
P. Gerry McKenna
Mary O’Dowd
Rosalind M.O. Pritchard
John J. Strain
Jennifer Todd
In attendance
Pauric Dempsey—Head of Communications and Public Affairs

Academic Board

The Academic Board met twice in 2015

Eugene Kennedy—Secretary (Chair)
Imelda Maher—Polite Literature and Antiquities Secretary (Vice-chair)
Peter McHugh—Science Secretary (Vice-chair)

Steven G. Ellis—Chair, Historical Studies Committee
Catherine Godson—Chair, Life and Medical Sciences Committee
Michael B. Jones—Chair, Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee
Dennis Kennedy—Chair, Study of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication Committee
Michael Peter Kennedy—Policy and International Relations Secretary
John Morison—Chair, Ethical, Political, Legal and Philosophical Studies Committee
Nollaig Ó Muraíle—Chair, Coiste Léann na Gaeilge, Litríocht na Gaeilge agus na gCultúr Ceilteach
Rosalind M.O. Pritchard—Chair, Social Sciences Committee
Thomas Ray—Chair, Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences Committee
Patrick M. Shannon—Chair, Geosciences and Geographical Sciences Committee
Alan Smeaton—Chair, Engineering and Computer Science Committee
In attendance
Pauric Dempsey—Head of Communications and Public Affairs
Gilly Clarke—Acting Head of Programmes and Administration
John Maguire—Acting Head of Policy and International Relations

Policy Oversight Group

The Policy Oversight Group met seven times in 2015

Michael Peter Kennedy—Policy and International Relations Secretary (Chair)
Peter McHugh—Science Secretary
Imelda Maher—Polite Literature and Antiquities Secretary
Sally Wheeler
Pat Shannon
In attendance
John Maguire—Acting Head of Policy and International Relations

Library Committee

The Library Committee met three times in 2015

Mary E. Daly—President (Chair)
Eugene Kennedy—Secretary
John McGilp—Treasurer
John Bartlett
Mary Clayton
James Kelly
Ruairí Ó hUiginn
Michael Ryan
In attendance
Laura Mahoney—Executive Secretary
Siobhán Fitzpatrick—Librarian

Publications Committee

The Publication Committee met four times in 2015

Mary E. Daly—President (Chair)
John McGilp—Treasurer
Eugene Kennedy—Secretary
Laura Mahoney—Executive Secretary
Catriona Crowe
J. Ronan Fanning
Peter Harbison—Honorary Academic Editor
James Kelly
Martin Steer
In attendance
Ruth Hegarty—Managing Editor of Publications

IT Advisory Committee

The IT Advisory Committee met twice in 2015

Alan Smeaton (Chair)
Wayne Aherne—Head of IT
Siobhán Fitzpatrick—Librarian
Laura Mahoney—Executive Secretary
Barbara McConalogue

Risk Management Steering Committee

The Risk Management Steering Committee met twice in 2015

Laura Mahoney—Executive Secretary (Chair)
Gilly Clarke—Acting Head of Programmes and Administration
Jemma Lyons—Acting Head of HR
Michael Kennedy—Executive Editor, Documents on Irish Foreign Policy
Wayne Aherne—Head of IT
Ruth Hegarty—Managing Editor of Publications

MULTIDISCIPLINARY COMMITTEES

as at 31 December 2015

The Multidisciplinary Committees were established in September 2014. Each committee has five or more MRIs among its membership.

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences

The Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee met three times in 2015

Michael Jones, Trinity College Dublin (Chair)
Ray Bates, University College Dublin
John Curtis, ESRI
Geraldine Cusack, Siemens
Margaret Desmond, Environmental Protection Agency
Trevor Donnellan, Teagasc
Rowan Fealy, Maynooth University
Pat Goodman, Dublin Institute of Technology
Mary Kelly, An Bord Pleanála
Ger Kiely, University College Cork
Frank McGovern, Environmental Protection Agency
Ray McGrath, Met Éireann
Ian Montgomery, Queen's University Belfast
Colin O'Dowd, National University of Ireland, Galway
Áine Ryall, University College Cork
Diarmuid Torney, Dublin City University
In attendance
Paul Lynam—Policy and International Relations Manager

Coiste Léann na Gaeilge, Litríocht na Gaeilge agus na gCultúr Ceilteach

Bhí cúig chruinniú ag Coiste Léann na Gaeilge, Litríocht na Gaeilge agus na gCultúr Ceilteach i rith 2015; the committee met five times in 2015

Nollaig Ó Muraíle, National University of Ireland, Galway (Chair)
Nicholas Carolan, Irish Traditional Music Archive
Síle de Cléir, University of Limerick
Charles Dillon
Gerard Long, National Library of Ireland
Patricia Lysaght, University College Dublin
Liam Mac Mathúna, University College Dublin
Ciarán Mac Murchaidh, Dublin City University
Máirín Nic Eoin, St. Patrick's College, Dublin City University

Máire Nic Mhaoláin
Pádraig Ó Macháin, University College Cork
Pádraig Ó Mianáin, Foras na Gaeilge
Ailbhe Ó Corráin, Ulster University
Ruairí Ó hUiginn, Maynooth University
David Stifter, Maynooth University
Alan Titley, University College Cork
Regina Uí Chollatáin, University College Dublin
In attendance
Eilís Ní Mhearraí—Clárghainisteoir Foclóir na Nua-Ghaeilge

Engineering and Computer Science

The Engineering and Computer Science Committee met three times in 2015

Alan Smeaton, Dublin City University (Chair)
Tom Brazil, University College Dublin
Conor Brennan, Dublin City University
Elizabeth Daly, IBM
Gerald Farrell, Dublin Institute of Technology
Orla Feely, University College Dublin
Michael Gilchrist, University College Dublin
Will Goodbody, RTÉ
Jane Grimson, Trinity College Dublin
Eileen Harkin-Jones, Ulster University
Fiona Lyddy, Maynooth University
James McLaughlin, Ulster University
Roger O'Connor, Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources
Padraic O'Donoghue, National University of Ireland, Galway
Máirtín Ó Droma, University of Limerick
Damien Owens, Engineers Ireland
Richard Reilly, Trinity College Dublin
In attendance
Yvonne Graham—Programme Manager

Ethical, Political, Legal and Philosophical Studies

The Ethical, Political, Legal and Philosophical Studies Committee met three times in 2015

John Morison, Queen's University Belfast (Chair)
Eoin Carolan, University College Dublin
John Coakley, University College Dublin
Maeve Cooke, University College Dublin
Yvonne Daly, Dublin City University
Jonathan Gorman, Queen's University Belfast
Noelle Higgins, Maynooth University
Louise Mallinder, Ulster University
Margaret O'Callaghan, Queen's University Belfast
Noreen O'Carroll, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
Andrew Power, Institute of Art, Design and Technology
Theresa Reidy, University College Cork

Birgit Schippers, St Mary's University College
Mary Shanahan, National University of Ireland, Galway
Peter Simons, Trinity College Dublin
In attendance
Pauline McNamara—Programme Manager

Geosciences and Geographical Sciences

The Geosciences and Geographical Sciences Committee met three times in 2015

Patrick M. Shannon, University College Dublin (Chair)
Chris Bean, Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies
David Chew, Trinity College Dublin
Marie Cowan, Geological Survey of Northern Ireland
Catherine Dalton, Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick
Anna Davies, Trinity College Dublin
Alistair Fraser, Maynooth University
Nuala Johnson, Queen's University Belfast
Alan Jones, Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies
Alun Jones, University College Dublin
Adrian Kavanagh, Maynooth University
Gerry Kearns, Maynooth University
Deirdre Lewis, SLR Consulting
Marie Mahon, National University of Ireland, Galway
Jennifer McKinley, Queen's University Belfast
David Meredith, Teagasc
Paula J. Reimer, Queen's University Belfast
Koen Verbruggen, Geological Survey of Ireland
John Walsh, University College Dublin
Andy Wheeler, University College Cork
In attendance
Yvonne Graham—Programme Manager

Historical Studies

The Historical Studies Committee met twice in 2015

Steven G. Ellis, National University of Ireland, Galway (Chair)
Conor Brady, Dundalk Institute of Technology
B. Gabriel Cooney, University College Dublin
Peter Crooks, Trinity College Dublin
Martine Cuypers, Trinity College Dublin
Edward Herring, National University of Ireland, Galway
Janice Holmes, Open University
Emily Mark-Fitzgerald, University College Dublin
Neasa McGarrigle, Trinity College Dublin
Eunan O'Halpin, Trinity College Dublin
Gill Plunkett, Queen's University Belfast
Jennifer Redmond, Maynooth University
Susannah Riordan, University College Dublin

David Scourfield, Maynooth University
Andrew Smith, University College Dublin
Roger A. Stalley, Trinity College Dublin
Rónán Swan, Standing Committee for Archaeology
Elizabeth Twohig, Standing Committee for Archaeology
Richard Warner, Former Keeper, Ulster Museum
In attendance
Pauline McNamara—Programme Manager

Life and Medical Sciences

The Life and Medical Sciences Committee met three times in 2015

Colm O'Morain, Trinity College Dublin (Acting Chair)
Catherine Godson, University College Dublin
Dick Ahlstrom, The Irish Times
Tom Cotter, University College Cork
Mark Crowe, University College Dublin
P. Gerry McKenna, Ulster University
Jennifer McManus, Maynooth University
Ewen Mullins, Teagasc
Eibhlin Munroe, The All-Ireland Cooperative Oncology Research Group
Tim O'Brien, National University of Ireland, Galway
William O'Connor, University of Limerick
Richard O'Kennedy, Dublin City University
James Paul O'Neill, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
Maria O'Sullivan, Trinity College Dublin
Heather Ruskin, Dublin City University
Marian Traynor, Queen's University Belfast
Steve Watterson, Ulster University
In attendance
Yvonne Graham—Programme Manager

Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences

The Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences Committee met three times in 2015

Thomas Ray, Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies (Chair)
Sheila Gilheany, Institute of Physics
Patrick Guiry, University College Dublin
Graeme Horley, Science Foundation Ireland
Imelda Lambkin, Enterprise Ireland
Edmond Magner, University of Limerick
Martin Mathieu, Queen's University Belfast
Pauline Mellon, University College Dublin
Declan McCormack, Dublin Institute of Technology
Benjamin McKay, University College Cork
Ann O'Dea, Silicone Republic
Anthony O'Farrell, Maynooth University
Eoin O'Reilly, University College Cork
Rachel Quinlan, National University of Ireland, Galway

Richard Timoney, Trinity College Dublin
Peter van der Burgt, Maynooth University
Chris Watson, Queen's University Belfast
Mateus Webba da Silva, Ulster University
In attendance
Yvonne Graham—Programme Manager

Social Sciences

The Social Sciences Committee met three times in 2015

Rosalind M.O. Pritchard, Ulster University (Chair)
Linda Connolly, University College Cork
Eoin Devereux, University of Limerick
Hastings Donnan, Queen's University Belfast
Sibel Erduran, University of Limerick
Claire Hamilton, Queen's University Belfast
Emma Heffernan, Anthropological Association of Ireland
Felicity Kelliher, Waterford Institute of Technology
Malcolm Mac Lachlan, Trinity College Dublin
John McHale, National University of Ireland, Galway
Stephen Mennell, University College Dublin
Niamh Moore-Cherry, University College Dublin
Aisling Murray, Economic and Social Research Institute
Kate O'Malley, Standing Committee for International Affairs
Maria Slowey, Dublin City University
Ben Tonra, Standing Committee for International Affairs
Karl Whelan, University College Dublin
Siobhan Wills, Ulster University
In attendance
Pauline McNamara—Programme Manager

Study of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication

The Study of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication Committee met three times in 2015

Dennis Kennedy, Trinity College Dublin (Chair)
Jennifer Bruen, Dublin City University
Mark Burnett, Queen's University Belfast
Adrian Frazier, National University of Ireland, Galway
Gisela Holfter, University of Limerick
Michael Howlett, Waterford Institute of Technology
Bettina Migge, University College Dublin
Christopher Morash, Trinity College Dublin
Mairead Moriarty, University of Limerick
Chris Mulhall, Waterford Institute of Technology
Anna Ní Ghallachair, Maynooth University
Anne O'Connor, National University of Ireland, Galway
Finola O'Kane Crimmins, University College Dublin
Maria Pramaggiore, Maynooth University

Geraldine Sheridan, University of Limerick
Karyn Stapleton, Ulster University
Éibhear Walshe, University College Cork
Harry White, University College Dublin
In attendance
Pauline McNamara—Programme Manager

Standing Committee for Archaeology

The Standing Committee for Archaeology met three times in 2015

Rónán Swan, Transport Infrastructure Ireland (Chair)
Terry Barry, Trinity College Dublin
Katharina Becker, University College Cork
Fiona Beglane, Sligo Institute of Technology
Stefan Bergh, National University of Ireland, Galway
Edel Bhreathnach, Discovery Programme
Ed Bourke, National Monuments Service
Martin Byrne, Bryne Mullins & Associates
Mary Cahill, National Museum of Ireland
Tracy Collins, Aegis Archaeology
B. Gabriel Cooney, University College Dublin
Ian Doyle, Heritage Council
Wes Forsythe, Ulster University
Audrey Horning, Queen's University Belfast
Ruth Johnson, Dublin City Council
Sinéad McCartan, Ulster Museum
Ed O'Donovan, Donovan Digs
John O'Keeffe, Department of the Environment, Northern Ireland
Aidan O'Sullivan, University College Dublin
Elizabeth Twohig, University College Cork
In attendance
Rebecca Farrell—Acting Senior Programme Manager

Standing Committee for International Affairs

The Standing Committee for International Affairs met four times in 2015

Ben Tonra, University College Dublin (Chair)
Noel Dorr, Royal Irish Academy
John Doyle, Dublin City University
Jim Kelly, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Cáit Moran, Irish Aid
Ciarán Murphy, Department of Defence
Ray Murphy, National University of Ireland, Galway
Mervyn O'Driscoll, University College Cork
Kate O'Malley, Royal Irish Academy
In attendance
Rebecca Farrell—Acting Senior Programme Manager
Helena King—Assistant Editor, Publications Office

STRATEGIC PLAN 2013–2018 MID-TERM REVIEW

Summary of Secretary's Report to Stated General Meeting, November 2015

TO FOSTER THE ACADEMY'S ALL-ISLAND AND INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARLY ENGAGEMENT

Responsibility: Senior Vice-President and the Head of Communications and Public Affairs

Achievements: the review and reappointment of the North–South Standing Committee; the establishment of John Bell Day; the successful piloting of the Parliamentary Pairing Project; the establishment of an annual Council and Members' meeting in Belfast.

TO ENHANCE THE ACADEMY'S ROLE AS A CENTRE FOR RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP AND LEARNING

Responsibility: President and Executive Secretary

Achievements: the review and enhancement of departmental reporting structures; launch of the Digital Repository of Ireland and publication of best-practice documents; audit of Publications and a review of journals; new collaborations developed between projects and external bodies.

TO BUILD PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE SCIENCES, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Responsibility: Secretary and Head of Programmes and Administration

Achievements: Establishment of ten new multi-disciplinary committees and an Academic Board; new website designed and launched in 2015; establishment of the Research Innovation Awards with the American Chamber of Commerce.

TO STRENGTHEN THE CONTRIBUTION AND INFLUENCE OF SCHOLARLY KNOWLEDGE AND ACADEMIC RESEARCH IN PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND THE MAKING OF PUBLIC POLICY

Responsibility: Policy and International Relations Secretary and Head of Policy and International Relations

Achievements: Establishment of the Policy Oversight Group; multiple policy inputs nationally and internationally; Future Earth Ireland established; launch of Charlemont Grants; renewed relations with sister academies.

TO RENEW AND DEEPEN MEMBERS' ENGAGEMENT WITH THE SCHOLARLY LIFE OF THE ACADEMY

Responsibility: Secretary and Head of Programmes and Administration/Senior Programme Manager

Achievements: restructuring of the nomination and assessment processes for new members and honorary members; enhanced participation and communication with members through regional initiatives, monthly notices, Academic Board meetings and Life Members meetings.

TO AIM FOR A VIBRANT AND SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR THE ACADEMY

Responsibility: Treasurer and Executive Secretary

Achievements: an Endowment Fund, a Legacy and Bequest Programme and a Corporate Friends Programme established; tax-efficient giving mechanisms in the UK and US established; clarification of HEA understanding of the Academy's finances achieved.

DISCOURSES AND MASTERCLASSES

Discourses

26 FEBRUARY

Professor Enrico Colombatto
'What is Europe's future?'

12 MARCH

Alan Titley, MRIA
'Gaeilge, Gàidhlig agus Manainnis: an sgrìbhneoir cruthaitheach agus Gaeilgí leochaileacha an lae inniu'

10 JUNE

Professor Pierre Rosanvallon
'Rethinking equality in a new age of inequality'

28 SEPTEMBER

Professor Mike Hulme
'(Still) Disagreeing about climate change: what way forward?'

10 NOVEMBER

Professor Joyce Tait
'Risk regulation, uncertainty and ethics in governing biotechnology'

1 DECEMBER

Margaret Murnane, Hon. MRIA
'Tabletop X-Ray lasers: from Star Wars to nanotechnology'

Masterclasses

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| 26 February | The 'Colombatto Masterclass' given by Professor Enrico Colombatto |
| 12 March | The 'Titley Masterclass' given by Alan Titley, MRIA |
| 10 May | The 'Rosanvallon Masterclass' given by Professor Pierre Rosanvallon |
| 23 May | The 'Conzen Masterclass' given by Professor Michael Conzen |
| 25 May | The 'Grady Masterclass' given by Professor Monica Grady |
| 9 July | The 'Rice Masterclass' given by Stuart Rice, Hon. MRIA |
| 29 September | The 'Hulme Masterclass' given by Professor Mike Hulme |
| 16 October | The 'Hamilton Masterclass' given by Professor Daniel Spielman |
| 4 November | The 'John Bell Masterclass' given by Mr Eric Ladizinsky (Dublin) |
| 5 November | The 'John Bell Masterclass' given by Mr Eric Ladizinsky (Belfast) |
| 5 November | The 'Women in Science Masterclass' given by Louise Richardson, Hon. MRIA |
| 10 November | The 'Tait Masterclass' given by Professor Joyce Tait |
| 25 November | The 'Cruise Masterclass' given by Professor Mike Cruise |
| 1 December | The 'Murnane Masterclass' given by Margaret Murnane, Hon. MRIA |

EVENTS AND FOOTFALL NUMBERS

The Academy welcomed and hosted over 19,000 attendees at a variety of events and meetings in 2015.

	FOOTFALL	MEETING / EVENTS
1st Quarter January-March	4,450	254
2nd Quarter April-June	4,551	213
3rd Quarter July-September	3,698	116
4th Quarter October-December	6,481	212
2015 Total	19,180	795
2014 Total	25,065	829

*This estimate records total footfall through Academy House, including staff and committee meeting attendance; project and library activity; exhibition attendance; and RIA events held off site.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook

During 2015 we gained 1,010 new followers on the Academy's Facebook page. Posts on the page reached, on average, 22,194 people per day; and 1,190 people, on average per day, either commented on, liked or shared our posts.

	LIFETIME TOTAL LIKES	DAILY NEW LIKES	DAILY ENGAGED USERS	DAILY TOTAL REACH
2015				
Jan	2,687	136	450	4,635
Feb	2,750	86	1,302	12,440
March	2,788	93	1,261	13,044
April	2,877	102	492	13,160
May	2,997	140	1,115	16,768
June	3,110	133	1,286	28,978
July	3,185	97	538	7,037
August	3,273	107	1,320	15,838
September	3,370	118	1,373	19,915
Oct	3,507	162	1,618	26,891
Nov	3,602	121	1,685	25,895
Dec	3,697	112	1,845	81,724

Twitter

We gained 2,066 new followers on the Academy's Twitter account during 2015. On average, our tweets were shared (re-tweeted) 174 times per month and liked 135 times per month. The average response rate to our tweets, measured in the click-rate on links provided, was 339 per month.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
Followers	8,627	8,844	9,130	9,237	9,449	9,560	9,680	9,888	10,074	10,305	10,536	10,693
Tweets	62	54	73	30	60	33	51	45	62	42	46	72
Link clicks	432	481	746	182	237	191	255	211	320	257	234	519
Retweets	198	217	327	107	172	133	191	119	136	127	152	211
Likes	119	126	210	96	169	104	123	116	105	97	97	259

ACADEMY PRIZES AND MEDALS AWARDED

Gold Medals 2014

Desmond Clarke, MRIA—Humanities

Werner Nahm, MRIA—Physical and Mathematical Sciences

Young Chemist Prize 2014

Dr Robert Doran, University College Dublin

Essay Title: 'Asymmetric synthesis of lactone-containing natural product analogues and the development of a catalytic asymmetric synthesis of tertiary α -aryl ketones'

Hamilton Prize Winners 2015

Kevin Collins	University College Cork
Stephen Collins	University College Dublin
Laura Dowling	Maynooth University
Shaunagh Downing	University of Limerick
Daniel Gradovich	Queen's University Belfast
Adam Keilthy	Trinity College Dublin
Donnchadh MacGarry	National University of Ireland, Galway
Sinéad McKinney	Ulster University
Declan Murphy	Dublin City University
Samyukta Venkataramanan	Dublin Institute of Technology

US-Ireland Research Innovation Award winners 2015

Small-/Medium-sized Enterprises award:	Alimentary Health
Higher Education Institutions award:	Dublin City University
Multinational Corporation award:	Xilinx

MAIN RIA EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

27 January

RIA Event

Gold Medals award ceremony:
Awardees: Desmond M. Clarke,
Werner Nahm, Royal Irish Academy
Gold Medallists 2014

5 and 6 February

Library

Conference: 'Book of Ballymote'

16 February

RIA Event

Grant awards ceremony: Charlemont
Grant Awards

23 February

Digital Repository of Ireland

Seminar: 'Introduction to Metadata'

3 March

Irish Historic Towns Atlas

Book launch: *Dublin 1847: city of the
Ordnance Survey* by Frank Cullen

4 March

Library/Dictionary of Irish Biography

Lunchtime lecture: 'William Wilde,
1815–76: a versatile genius', Michael
Ryan MRIA, FSA, former president
Royal Irish Academy and former
director Chester Beatty Library

11 March

Library/Dictionary of Irish Biography

Lunchtime lecture: 'William Reeves,
1815–92: a great scholar and his many
friendships', Linde Lunney, Dictionary
of Irish Biography

18 March

Library

Lunchtime lecture: 'Rev'd James
Graves, 1815–86: *In piam memoriam*',
Aideen Ireland, National Archives of
Ireland

23 March

Policy

Academy discussion forum/
workshop: 'The role, value and scale
of higher education in Ireland'

25 March

Library/Foclóir na Nua-Ghaeilge

Lunchtime lecture: 'The life and
dictionaries of Timothy O'Neill Lane,
1852–1915', Liam Mac Amhlaigh,
Maynooth University

31 March

Publications

Book launch: *Irish Studies in
International Affairs vol. 25*

1 April

Library/Dictionary of Irish Biography/Foclóir na Nua-Ghaeilge
Lunchtime lecture: 'The last of the great antiquarians of the past: Standish Hayes O'Grady (1832–1915)', Lesa Ní Mhungaile, NUI, Galway

21 April

Library
Exhibition: 'Age of Vikings in Latvia'

22 April

Library
Lunchtime lecture: 'Relations of the East Baltic Sea region and Scandinavia in the 7th–12th century in written and archaeological resources', Arnis Radinš, Director of the National History Museum of Latvia

22 April

Policy
Academy Breakfast Briefing: Pollinator roundtable, 'Ecosystem services, agriculture and neonicotinoids'

12 May

Digital Repository of Ireland and Digital Arts and Humanities (DAH)
DAH Structured PhD seminar: 'DAH digital arts'

15 May

RIA Event
Award ceremony: US-Ireland Research Innovation Awards. Ceremony took place at the American Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Dinner in Dublin

22 May

Irish Historic Town Atlas
Annual seminar: 'Irish Towns as shared European heritage'
Publication launch: IHTA no. 27 *Youghal* by William J. Smyth, UCC

26 May

Geosciences and Geographical Sciences Committee
Academy discussion forum/
workshop: Oireachtas and scientist pairing event

29 May

RIA Ceremony
Admittance Day for new members

17 June

Publications
Book launch: *Connemara and elsewhere*; held in the Irish College, Paris

17 June

Digital Repository of Ireland
Public lecture: 'Copyright for the Digital Arts and Humanities', Eoin O'Dell, TCD

18 June

Digital Repository of Ireland
Workshop: with Science Foundation Ireland and the Research Data Alliance

18 June

Library
Exhibition: 'Another view: Gaelic manuscript culture in Edmund Spenser's Ireland'
Visit from International Spenser

Society (ISS): ISS 2015 conference and ISS masterclass with Marc Caball

18 June

Irish Historic Town Atlas
Publication launch: *IHTA no. 27 Youghal*, by David Kelly and Tadhg O’Keeffe in the Mall House, Youghal. Launched by Lord Burlington; with accompanying exhibition and lunchtime lecture

25 June

Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences Committee
McCrea Lecture: ‘Rosetta mission’, Monica Grady, Open University

3 July

Policy
Academy discussion forum/ workshop: ‘Does Ireland need a minister for higher education and research?’

20 August

Digital Repository of Ireland
Workshop: DRI Preservation Training

2 September

Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences Committee
Public lecture: ‘A tale of Hamilton and 12 sonnets’, a staged reading of 12 sonnets in the voices of academicians, poets and mathematicians

4 September

Digital Repository of Ireland and Digital Arts and Humanities
DAH Structured PhD symposium: Digital Arts and Humanities Ossian Symposium

10 September

Irish Historic Town Atlas
Seminar: ‘Teaching and learning, using the Irish Historic Towns Atlas at third level’

16 September

RIA event
Culture Night

23 September

Policy
Academy discussion forum/ workshop: ‘A dialogue on the future funding of higher education in Ireland’

30 September

Study of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication Committee
Seminar: ‘Human rights and interpreting: the Irish legal system’

5 October

Publications
Book launch, relatives event: *1916 Portraits and Lives*

7 October

Library
Lunchtime lecture: Ó Longáin lunchtime lecture series, in association with UCC, Roinn na Nua-Ghaeilge, ‘Four generations of literary scholarship’, Meidhbhín Ní Úrdail, UCD

14 October

Library
Lunchtime lecture: Ó Longáin lunchtime lecture series, ‘Seosamh Ó Longáin and the manuscript facsimiles of the Royal Irish Academy’, Timothy O’Neill

16 October

Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences Committee

Hamilton Day

Hamilton Prize awards ceremony:
Awardees—Kevin Collins, Stephen Collins, Laura Dowling, Shaunagh Downing, Daniel Gradovich, Adam Keilthy, Donnchadh MacGarry, Sinéad McKinney, Declan Murphy, Samyukta Venkataramanan

Hamilton conversation: On the topic of networks with Daniel Spielman, Robert Shorten, Kevin Mitchell, Pdraig Kenny, Nial Friel. Moderated by Aoibhinn Ní Shúilleabháin

Hamilton lecture: 'Understanding networks through physical metaphors', Daniel Spielman, Henry Ford II Professor of Computer Science, Mathematics, and Applied Mathematics, Yale University, held at the Edmund Burke Theatre, Trinity College Dublin

21 October

Library

Lunchtime lecture: Ó Longáin lunchtime lecture series, 'Scribing for Ireland: the Ó Longáin Family and the Royal Irish Academy', Siobhán Fitzpatrick, RIA

22 October

Study of Languages, Literatures, Culture and Communication Committee

Public lecture: 'Burning books: what can writing tell us about rights?', Lyndsey Stonebridge, University of East Anglia

22 October

Archaeology Standing Committee

Seminar: 'Revealing the Past'

23 October

Digital Repository of Ireland and Digital Arts and Humanities (DAH)

DAH Structured PhD

Annual institute: Fifth annual institute

28 October

Study of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication Committee

Public lecture: 'Yeats and the occult: the unchristened heart', Margaret Mills Harper, University of Limerick, held at the University of Limerick

28 October

UCD 1916 as a Global Event lecture series

Invitation lecture: 'Fading echo of a distant drum? The Easter Rising in Australian history and memory', Mark Finnane, Griffith University, Australia

29 October

Social Sciences Committee

Conference keynote lecture: 'Is there a general theory of austerity?', Simon Wren-Lewis, University of Oxford

30 October

Social Sciences Committee

Conference: 'Debating Austerity in Ireland'

2 November

Publications

Book Launch: *1916 Portraits and Lives*

4 November

Library

Lecture: 'Medical writing in Irish, 1350–1650: treatises on pathology', Aoibheann Nic Dhonnchadha, DIAS, School of Celtic Studies; part of a series in association with the Irish Texts Society

5 November

Policy

Leaders in Higher Education address: 'Universities in the 21st century', Louise Richardson, University of St Andrews

5 November

UCD 1916 as a Global Event Lecture Series

Invitation lecture: 'The Easter Rising and the Indian nationalist movement', Partha Chatterjee, Columbia University

6 November

Geosciences and Geographical Sciences Committee

Academy discussion forum/
workshop: 'The geographical turn'

12 November

Historical Studies Committee

Classical Studies Colloquium keynote lecture: 'Ancient philosophy and the contemporary good', Angela Hobbs, University of Sheffield; held in Newman House

13 November

Historical Studies Committee

Classical Studies Colloquium: 'Ethics and society in the ancient world'

18 November

Library

Lunchtime lecture: 'The changing world of a Gaelic medic: Dermot O'Meara and early Stuart Ireland', David Edwards, UCC

18 November

Publications

Book launch: *At Home in the Revolution*

19 November

Publications

Book launch: *Codices Hibernenses Eximii I: Lebor na hUidre*

25 November

Library

Lunchtime lecture: 'Sylvester O'Halloran (1728-1807): romantic, antiquary and surgeon', Clare O'Halloran, UCC

2 December

Library

Lunchtime lecture: 'Dr John Fergus: Eighteenth-century doctor and book collector', Diarmaid Ó Catháin

3 December

RIA event

Festive Evening

8 December

Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences Committee

RIA ceremony: Young Chemist prize

8 December

Publications

Book launch: *Trinity in War and Revolution* held at the Provost's House, Trinity College Dublin

PUBLICATIONS

Galway c.1200 to c.1900: from medieval borough to modern city
Authors: Jacinta Prunty, Paul Walsh
November 2015

At home in the Revolution: what women said and did in 1916
Author: Lucy McDiarmid
November 2015

Codices Hibernenses Eximii I: Lebor na hUidre
Editor: Ruairí Ó hUiginn
November 2015

Trinity in war and revolution 1912–1923
Author: Tomás Irish
October 2015

1916 portraits and lives
Editors: James Quinn, Lawrence William White
Illustrator: David Rooney
October 2015

Irish Historic Towns Atlas no. 27, Youghal
Authors: David Kelly, Tadhg O’Keeffe
May 2015

Mathematical Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy: Volume 115A (2015), Issue 1
Editor: Martin Mathieu
May 2015

Mathematical Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy: Volume 115A (2015), Issue 2
Editor: Martin Mathieu
November 2015

Biology and Environment: Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy: Volume 115B (2015), Issue 1
Editor: Bruce Osborne
June 2015

Biology and Environment: Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy: Volume 115B (2015), Issue 2
Editor: Bruce Osborne
November 2015

Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy, Section C: Volume 115C (2015)
Editors: Elizabeth FitzPatrick, James Kelly
October 2015

Irish Journal of Earth Sciences: Volume 33 (2015)
Editors: Ian Sanders, Matthew Parkes
December 2015

Ériu: Volume 64 (2014)
Editors: Liam Breatnach, Damian McManus
April 2015

Irish Studies in International Affairs: Volume 26 (2015)
Editor: John Doyle
December 2015

Annual Review
November 2015

Policy Papers

‘Submission by the Royal Irish Academy to the working group on Seanad reform’
1 February 2015

‘Principles to inform preparation of the Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation, 2015–2020’
1 February 2015

Royal Irish Academy advice paper on ‘Equity of access to higher education’
1 March 2015

Submission by the Royal Irish Academy to the consultation on ‘The successor to the Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation’
1 March 2015

Report of the ‘Consultation forum on the role, value and scale of higher education in Ireland’
23 March 2015

The Royal Irish Academy Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee ‘Response to the development of Ireland’s first National Low Carbon Transition and Mitigation plan (NMP)’
1 June 2015

Rapporteurs report on RIA workshop: ‘Does Ireland need a minister for higher education and research’
1 July 2015

Submission to the ‘Culture 2025’ consultation
1 December 2015

Rapporteurs report: ‘A dialogue on the future funding of higher education in Ireland’
17 December 2015

Royal Irish Academy Leaders in Higher Education Address 2015: ‘Universities in the twenty-first century’, Louise Richardson
17 December 2015

Digital Repository of Ireland

Guidelines: ‘Qualified Dublin Core and the Digital Repository of Ireland’
April 2015

Report: ‘Digital humanities—Ireland’s opportunity’
Editors: Alan Smeaton, Sandra Collins, Natalie Harrower
May 2015

Report: ‘Funding models for Open Access repositories’
June 2015

Report: ‘Building the Digital Repository of Ireland infrastructure’
June 2015

Guidelines: ‘Dublin Core and the Digital Repository of Ireland, Ver. 2’
December 2015

GRANTS RAISED AND SPONSORSHIP AWARDED TO THE ACADEMY*

Total: €1,287,601

Project: Documents on Irish Foreign Policy
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Award or activity supported: Annual Funding

Project: Documents on Irish Foreign Policy
Funder/Awarding body: Irish Lights
Award or activity supported: 'Safety at sea through war and upheaval' Exhibition and booklet

Project: Foclóir Stairiúil na Gaeilge
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
Activity supported: Assembly of language corpora for *Historical Dictionary of Irish*

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Higher Education Authority
Award or activity supported: Bridging funding post-PRTL 5 core funding, until a new funding stream is determined

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Irish Research Council
Award or activity supported: New Foundations 2014

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Science Foundation Ireland
Award or activity supported: DPASSH 2015 conference funding

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Department of the Taoiseach (Diaspora)
Award or activity supported: Inspiring Ireland 1916 project

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (2016 Project Office)
Award or activity supported: Inspiring Ireland 1916 project

*Grants and sponsorship outside the Grant in Aid and in excess of €1,000. Does not include funds the Academy dispersed in the form of grants or monies raised from ticket sales

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Research Data Alliance
Award or activity supported: RDA 3

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Irish Research Council
Award or activity supported: Design and print of DRI workshop research report, 'Digital Humanities—Ireland's Opportunity'

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Dublin Institute of Technology (PRTL Cycle 5)
Award or activity supported: PRTL Cycle 5 budget reprofile to reallocate to the DRI project at the RIA to support the delivery of the DRI repository infrastructure

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Maynooth University
Award or activity supported: DRI plenary meetings, DPASSH conference and Digital Preservation Coalition membership

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: National College of Art and Design
Award or activity supported: Kilkenny Design Workshop demonstrator project video

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: National University of Ireland, Galway
Award or activity supported: DRI plenary meetings, DPASSH conference and Digital Preservation Coalition membership

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Near FM
Award or activity supported: Cataloguing workshops and policy development

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: Near FM
Award or activity supported: DRI plenary meetings, DPASSH conference and Digital Preservation Coalition membership

Project: Digital Repository of Ireland
Funder/Awarding body: SFI, RTÉ and Contemporary Music Centre
Award or activity supported: Insight—Ireland's national data analytics research centre

Project: Dictionary of Irish Biography
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
Award or activity supported: Publication of *Ulster political lives, 1886–1921*

Project: Irish Historic Towns Atlas
Funder/Awarding body: National Forum for Teaching and Learning
Award or activity supported: Dublin suburbs project

Project: Irish Historic Towns Atlas
Funder/Awarding body: Heritage Council
Award or activity supported: *Galway* pocket map

Department: Communications and Public Affairs
Funder/Awarding body: Irish Centre for High-End Computing
Award or activity supported: John Bell Day

Department: Communications and Public Affairs
Funder/Awarding body: Canadian Embassy
Award or activity supported: John Bell Day

Department: Policy and International Relations
Funder/Awarding body: Community Foundation of Northern Ireland
Award or activity supported: R.J. Hunter grants scheme

Department: Policy and International Relations
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
Award or activity supported: Archaeology excavation grants

Department: Policy and International Relations
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
Award or activity supported: Directed archaeological research for world heritage sites

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: American Chamber of Commerce Ireland
Award or activity supported: US–Ireland Research Innovation Awards

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: Higher Education Authority
Award or activity supported: Royal Irish Academy Gold Medals

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: Transport Infrastructure Ireland
Award or activity supported: Archaeology 2025 strategy

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: ARUP
Award or activity supported: Hamilton Day

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Environment, Community and Local Government
Award or activity supported: Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Environment, Community and Local Government
Award or activity supported: International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics membership

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: IBEC
Award or activity supported: International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry membership

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: Central Bank of Ireland
Award or activity supported: Publication of *Debating Austerity*

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: College of Social Sciences and Law, University College Dublin
Award or activity supported: Conference and publication - *Debating Austerity*

Department: Programmes
Funder/Awarding body: Irish Fiscal Advisory Council
Award or activity supported: Publication of *Debating Austerity*

Department: Publications
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (Commemoration Fund)
Award or activity supported: *Judging* book series

Department: Publications
Funder/Awarding body: Montclair State University
Award or activity supported: Publication of *At home in the revolution*

Department: Publications
Funder/Awarding body: Trinity College Dublin
Award or activity supported: Publication of *Trinity in war and revolution 1912–1923*

Department: Publications
Funder/Awarding body: Coiste Léann na Gaeilge
Award or activity supported: Reprinting of *Cnuasach Focal as Teileann*

Department: Publications
Funder/Awarding body: NERC/GSNI
Award or activity supported: Publication of *Unearthed: impacts of the Tellus surveys of the north of Ireland*

Department: Publications
Funder/Awarding body: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Award or activity supported: '1916 portraits and lives' project

Department: Publications
Funder/Awarding body: Irish Rail
Award or activity supported: '1916 portraits and lives' project

GRANT AND AWARD ASSESSMENT PANELS

Charlemont Assessment Panel (Humanities Section)

Imelda Maher (Chair)
Sean Connolly, Queen's University Belfast
Iseult Honohan, University College Dublin
Liam Kennedy, Queen's University Belfast
Colm Lennon, Maynooth University
Selina McCoy, Economic and Social Research
Institute
Peter Simons, Trinity College Dublin
Richard Sinnott, University College Dublin

Charlemont Assessment Panel (Science Section)

This panel also assesses the RIA-RS
International Cost Share Programme Awards
Peter McHugh (Chair)
Mark Crowe, University College Dublin
Celia Holland, Trinity College Dublin
Peter Lynch, University College Dublin
Máirtín O Droma, University of Limerick
Sinead Ryan, Trinity College Dublin
William Spillane, National University of
Ireland, Galway

Hunter Grants Panel

Mary E. Daly (Chair)
John Morrill, Cambridge University
James McGuire, University College Dublin

Gold Medals Assessment Panel (Social Sciences Section)

Imelda Maher (Chair)
Alan Barrett, Economic and Social Research
Institute
Linda Connolly, University College Cork
David Farrell, University College Dublin
Rob Kitchin, Maynooth University
Elizabeth Meehan, Queen's University Belfast

Gold Medals Assessment Panel (Engineering Sciences)

Peter McHugh (Chair)
Orla Feely, University College Dublin
Jane Grimson, Trinity College Dublin
Stuart Hampshire, University of Limerick
Eileen Harkin Jones, Ulster University
Richard Reilly, Trinity College Dublin

Information Seminars on Charlemont Grants

University College Cork—9 September 2015
Ulster University—21 September 2015

GRANTS AWARDED IN 2015

Charlemont Grants in sciences and humanities

Kamela Alegre, Queen's University Belfast

Structural characterisation of a
multidrug efflux transporter
• €1,800

Felix Behling, Maynooth University

Creating a new class of workers:
marginal self-employment in labour
market reforms • €1,564

Margaret Brehony, National University of Ireland, Galway

Irish settler families, White
colonisation and the politics of race
in colonial Cuba • €2,300

Patrick Bresnihan, Maynooth University

Water politics and the Commons in
Bolivia • €2,116

Sarah-Anne Buckley, National University of Ireland, Galway

'Found in a dying condition'? The
experience of infant foundlings in the
Irish diaspora in London, 1840–1950
• €1,380

Clare Clarke, Trinity College Dublin

Charlotte Riddell: anxieties of
authorship in late-Victorian ghost
stories • €1,656

Eoin Daly, National University Ireland, Galway

Pluralism in the indivisible Republic?
Laïcité and French religious liberty
• €1,380

Maria Falina, University College Dublin

Religions and nations of Yugoslavia,
1900–1945 • €1,803

Brendan Florio, University of Limerick

Mathematical modelling of nanowire
melting • €2,100

Guangbo Hao, University College Cork

Finding the optimum structure of the
three-axis force sensor for
ultra-precision machining using screw
theory • €1,300

Jessica Hayes, National University of Ireland, Galway

Cellular dysfunction and its effect on angiogenesis and bone repair in diabetic fracture healing • €2,200

Erica Hennessy, Dublin City University

Induced pluripotent stem-cell derived intestinal organoids for analysis of metal micronutrient uptake on intestinal function • €2,300

Run Long, University College Dublin

Excited dynamics simulations of charge transfer in nanoscale solar cells • €1,800

Alanna Maguire, Dublin City University

Investigating the role of genomic instability and heterogeneity in the response of HER2-positive breast tumours to trastuzumab • €2,200

Áine Mahon, University College Dublin/University College Cork

The promise of perfectionism: Stanley Cavell and contemporary American fiction • €1,771

Philip McDermott, Ulster University

Linguistic tradition, policy and national identity in Scotland and Northern Ireland: a comparison of Scots and Ulster-Scots • €1,132

Karol Mullaney-Dignam, University of Limerick

Community music on the Dunraven estates in Victorian Ireland and Wales • €920

Aisling Ni Annaidh, University College Dublin

Skin mechanics, growth and remodelling: unraveling the early development of melanoma • €1,800

Martin O'Halloran, National University of Ireland, Galway

Frontier research on the biophysical phenomena underlying the dielectric properties of human tissue • €1,900

Anuradha Pallipurath, National University of Ireland, Galway

Terahertz spectroscopic analysis of crystallisation kinetics of amorphous composite materials—experimental and computational studies • €2,300

Amy Prendergast, Trinity College Dublin

Irish bluestockings: literary sociability, intellectual pursuits, and cultural transfers between Britain and Ireland, 1760–1830 • €833

Fiona Smyth, University College Dublin

Philip Hope Edward Bagenal and the origins of architectural acoustics in contemporary building science • €1,564

Klaas-Jan Stol, University of Limerick

Development and formalisation of agile methods for critical and regulated software domains • €2,000

Silvia Tedesco, Dublin City University

Bioplastics and biogas production from seaweed biomass • €1,400

Mara Tesorieri, independent researcher

The bioarchaeology of a tophet from Zlta, Tunisia: microscopic and macroscopic analyses of the cremated infant remains • €1,490

John Thompson, University College Dublin

Arthur Vandenberg's party: Republicans and foreign policy, 1932–1951 • €1,430

Diarmuid Torney, Dublin City University

The evolution of EU–China relations on climate change: cooperation and policy diffusion • €2,300

Timothy Watt, Queen's University Belfast

Gender, community politics and anti-taxation riots in Ireland, 1715–1761 • €1,389

Barry Wardell, University College Dublin

Probing the limits of general relativity with black hole binaries • €1,900

Royal Irish Academy/Royal Society cost-share agreement

Antoinette Perry, Trinity College Dublin

Parallel analysis of urine and biopsy cores for prognostication of PCa • €15,000

Archaeology grants awarded—Excavation

Conor Brady

Excavations at Rosnaree lithic scatter and enclosure • €2,000

Stephen Davis and Catriona Moore

Excavations at the Tlachtga, Hill of Ward, Co. Meath • €16,258

Paul Duffy

Grassroots Archaeology Project • €2,852

Richard Jennings

The Dungarvan Valley Caves Project: new excavations at Ballynamindra Cave, Co. Waterford • €14,201

Michael Lynch

Post-excavation work and preparation of a full report on the excavation of shell midden at Fanore More, Co. Clare • €6,763

Richard O'Brien

Rathnadrinna Fort, post-excavation works • €18,046

Matthew Seaver and Aidan O'Sullivan

Iniscealtra, post-excavation works

• €16,000

Archaeology grants awarded—Research

Stefan Bergh

Mapping the Mullaghfarna settlement

• €1,000

Patrick Gleeson

Knockainy: the iconography of a late prehistoric regia • €1,000

Aimée Little

Mesolithic chart tool provenancing survey of the Irish midland region

• €1,000

Paul O'Keeffe and Damian Shiels

The Kinsale Battlefield Project

• €1,000

CI4 Radiocarbon dating

Jason Bolton

Moygara Castle (RMP SL-044-052)

Ruth Carden

Various early excavated Irish caves; faunal remains held within the collections of the National Museum of Ireland

Michael Lynch

Shell Midden CL001-021 (Fanore More 2)

Richard O'Brien

Rathnadrinna

Risteard Ua Cróinín

Dangan Castle, Quin, Co. Clare

Grants awarded for directed archaeological research at World Heritage sites

Patrick Gleeson

Defining the Rock of Cashel project

• €650

Richard O'Brien

Geophysical survey of the Dhuvcloy and Deansgrove Earthworks in Cashel, Co. Tipperary • €2,904

Roseanne Schot

Conservation plan for the Hill of Uisneach, Co. Westmeath (Phase I)

• €7,328

R.J. Hunter Bursaries awarded

David Heffernan

Planting Elizabethan Ulster: the Earl of Essex's 'Enterprise of Ulster', 1573–76 • €1,800

Annaleigh Margey

Londonderry: the urban history of a Plantation county, c. 1609–1750

• €2,373

Andrew Robinson

The politics of Plantation and 'A Discoverie of a view of the Present State of Ireland' • €1,280

James Sheridan

The Irish Hydra: English policy towards Gaelic Ulster 1567–76.

• €2,192

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY MEETINGS

ALLEA—The Federation of All European Academies

ALLEA General Assembly, Lisbon
Michael Peter Kennedy
23–24 April 2015

ALLEA E-humanities Working Group report launch, Brussels
Natalie Harrower
6–7 May 2015

ALLEA EU Joint Research Centre, Science Meets Parliament event, Brussels
Geraldine Ann Cusack
14–15 September 2015

ALLEA Science and Ethics Working Group workshop and meeting, Budapest
Cliona Murphy
21 November 2015

EASAC—The European Academies Science Advisory Council

Meeting of the Gain of Function EASAC Group, Brussels
Bert Rima
January 2015, March 2015, October 2015

EASAC Energy Storage Study meeting, London
Ciara O’Dwyer and Mark O’Malley
1 April 2015

EASAC Working Group on Ecosystem Services, Agriculture and Pollinators
report launch, Brussels
Jane Stout
13 April 2015

EASAC Environment Steering Panel, Rome
John Sweeney
27–8 April 2015

EASAC Biosciences Meeting, Brussels
Richard O’Kennedy
17 June 2015

EASAC Energy Storage Study meeting, Cologne
Ciara O'Dwyer and Mark O'Malley
26 June 2015

EASAC Working Group on 'Circular Economy' meeting, Bern
Geraldine Ann Cusack
19 August 2015

EASAC Electricity Storage Study open workshop and project team meeting,
Brussels
Ciara O'Dwyer and Mark O'Malley
14–15 October 2015

EASAC Biosciences Committee meeting, Frankfurt
Richard O'Kennedy
16 November 2015

EASAC Council, Bratislava
John Maguire
19–20 November 2015

ICSU—International Council for Science

Euro-ICSU Meeting, London
Luke Drury
10 April 2015

Future Earth Ireland

Inaugural Meeting, Royal Irish Academy, Dublin
23 November 2015

Future Earth Ireland Committee

Anna Davies, Trinity College Dublin (Chair)
Marcus Collier, University College Dublin
Geraldine Ann Cusack, Siemens
Rowan Fealy, Maynooth University
Jeremy Gault, University College Cork
Matthew Kennedy, Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland
Su-Ming Khoo, National University of Ireland, Galway
Suzanne Kingston, University College Dublin
M. Satish Kumar, Queen's University Belfast
Frank McGovern, Environmental Protection Agency
Susan Murphy, Trinity College Dublin
Jane Stout, Trinity College Dublin
Diarmuid Torney, Dublin City University
In attendance
Paul Lynam—Policy and International Relations Manager

International Disciplinary Unions General Assembly attendance

International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG)
Prague, Czech Republic
Alan Jones

International Union for Quaternary Science (INQUA)
Nagoya, Japan
Fraser Mitchell

International Union of Biological Sciences (IUBS)
Berlin, Germany
Gerry McKenna

International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC)
Busan, Korea
Earle Waghorne

International Astronomical Union (IAU)
Honolulu, Hawaii
Matt Redman

Union Academique International (UAI)
Brussels, Belgium
Steven Ellis

MEMBERS

New Members elected March 2015

Geraldine Butler
Lorraine Byrne Bodley
David Coleman
Jonathan Coleman
Henry Curran
Nicholas Daly
Orla Feely
Orla Hardiman
Robert Kitchin
Anthony McElligott
Martin Naughton
Ian O'Donnell
David Puttnam
Bernadette Whelan
K. Matthew Zepf

New Honorary Members elected November 2015

Garret A. FitzGerald
Conor A. Gearty
Fabiola Gianotti
Paul M. Nurse
Louise M. Richardson
Clair Wills

Regional meetings and events for Members

16 March	Stated Meeting lunch at the Merrion Hotel, Dublin
28 May	Life Members coffee morning
9 September	Regional Meeting at University College Cork
21 September	Regional Meeting at Ulster University, Belfast
30 November	Stated Meeting Lunch at the Merrion Hotel, Dublin
3 December	Festive Evening at Academy House

DEATHS REPORTED

Aalen, Frederick Herman Andreasen. MA, MSc, LittD, FSA, FTCD (Emeritus). Geographer. Retired Professor of Geography, Trinity College Dublin. On Council 1989–1993, Academy Representative NMI Board of Visitors. Born 28 February 1934, elected 1987, died 28 September 2015.

Chisholm, John Stephen Roy. MA, PhD(Cantab). MLMS, FInstP, FIMA, MIAMP, CMath, Cphys. Retired Emeritus Professor of Mathematics, University of Kent. Born 5 November 1926, elected 1964, died 10 August 2015.

Dalgarno, Alexander. Astronomer, Astrophysicist. Phillips Professor of Astronomy, Harvard University. Born 5 January 1928, elected 1989, died 9 April 2015.

Macfadyen, Amyan. MA, DSc(Oxon). University Professor. Emeritus Professor of Biology, Ulster University. Born 11 December 1920, elected 1980, died 3 October 2015.

McLoughlin, John Vincent. MA(Dubl), MSc(NUI), PhD(Lond), FFD(RCSI). FTCD, FICI. Physiologist. Emeritus Professor of Comparative Physiology, Trinity College Dublin. On Council and in Office: 1989–90, VP 1990–91, SVP 1991–92, 1992–93, 1995–99. Born 19 July 1931, elected 1968, died 10 June 2015.

Ó Concheanainn, Tomás. BA, MA, PhD(NUI 1943, 1947, 1977). University Professor. Emeritus Professor of Classical Irish, University College Dublin. Born 9 March 1921, elected 1990, died 13 June 2015.

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

General Purposes Current Account*

Income	€
Grant-in-aid	2,602,000
HEA Funding—pension legacy	100,000
Members' subscriptions	47,709
Sale of publications	236,792
Sale of proceedings	32,242
Miscellaneous	126,186
Room rental	51,180
Department of the Gaeltacht	99,987
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Total Income	3,296,096
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Direct Expenditure	
Audit, law, bank, professional charges	104,811
Fuel and light	36,871
Furniture, equipment and household	61,991
Discourses	10,948
Miscellaneous	32,604
General insurances	12,818
Information technology	152,621
Supplementary pensions	104,658
Postage and telephone	49,113
Printing administrative	13,869
Salaries and wages	1,171,201
Stationery and office equipment	40,746
Training and development	39,946
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Total Direct Expenditure	1,832,197
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Allocations to Special Accounts	
International Unions and General Assemblies account	47,336
Library account	339,472
Print Proceedings account	329,014
General Publications account	219,018
Foclóir na Nua-Gaeilge account	320,646
Celtic Latin Dictionary account	102,083
International Exchanges and Fellowships account	44,653
Irish Historic Towns Atlas account	131,278
Dictionary of Irish Biography account	281,896
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Total Allocations	1,815,396
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Total Expenditure	3,647,593
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Income	3,296,096
Expenditure	3,647,593
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Surplus (Deficit) EOY	(351,497)
Carried forward from previous years	649,568
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Balance going forward	298,071
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*The above accounts are shown on a cash receipts basis. Under the provisions of the Comptroller and Auditor-General (Amendment) Act 1993, the Academy's accounts are subject to audit on an accruals basis by the Comptroller and Auditor-General.

