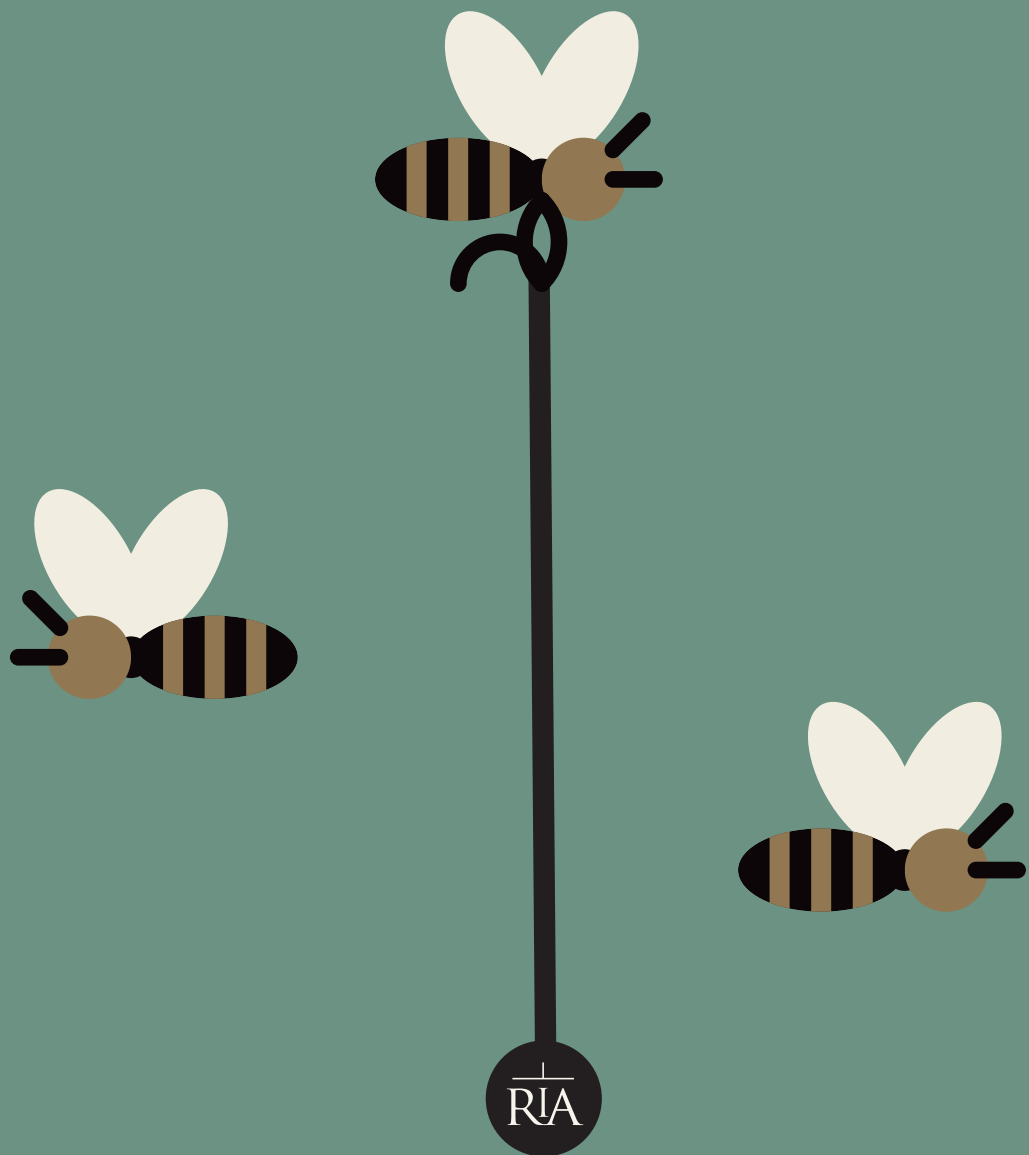


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Governance

President and Council (from March 2020)

President: Mary Canning

Committee of Polite Literature and Antiquities (PL&A):

Daniel Carey—Vice-President
Jane Conroy—Vice-President
Gabriel Cooney
Anne Fuchs
Patrick Honohan
Kathleen James Chakraborty
Martin Mansergh
James McGuire
Mary O’Dowd—Polite Literature and Antiquities Secretary
Geraldine Sheridan
Anngret Simms

Committee of Science:

Stephen Gardiner—Treasurer
Catherine Godson—Science Secretary
Michael B. Jones
Mary Kelly
M. Peter Kennedy
Anita Maguire—Vice-President
P. Gerald McKenna—Senior Vice-President
Eucharua Meehan
Valeria Nicolosi
Brian Norton—Secretary for Policy and International Relations
Shane O’Mara
Patrick M. Shannon—Secretary

Executive Committee:

President	Mary Canning
Senior Vice-President	P. Gerald McKenna
Treasurer	Stephen Gardiner
Secretary	Patrick Shannon
Polite Literature and Antiquities Secretary	Mary O’Dowd
Science Secretary	Catherine Godson
Policy and International Relations Secretary	Brian Norton
Executive Director	Tony Gaynor
Staff Representative	Hugh Shiels
The Head of Programmes and Administration and Senior Executive Assistant in attendance.	

Meeting Dates

Monday, 20 January 2020.....	Executive Committee
Monday, 24 February 2020.....	Council
Monday, 16 March 2020.....	Stated General Meeting
Monday, 20 April 2020.....	Council
Monday, 18 May 2020.....	Executive Committee
Monday, 22 June 2020.....	Council
Monday, 14 September 2020.....	Council
Monday, 12 October 2020.....	Executive Committee
Monday, 9 November 2020.....	Council
Monday, 30 November 2020.....	Stated General Meeting

Staff List

as at 31 December 2020

Executive Director

Tony Gaynor

Accounts

Suzanne Campbell	Head of Finance
Catherine Behan	Assistant Accounts Officer
Lisa Doyle	Assistant Accounts Officer

Administration and Programmes

Gilly Clarke	Acting Head of Programmes and Administration
Vanessa Carswell	Acting Senior Programme Manager—Membership
Pauline McNamara	Programme Manager
Teresa Gallagher	Programme Manager
Karen Ayton	Senior Executive Assistant
Sharon O'Connor	Senior Executive Assistant
Carol Martin	Senior Executive Assistant (on leave)
Jennifer Reilly	Senior Executive Assistant
Gràinne Lynch	Senior Executive Assistant

Communications and Public Affairs

Pauric Dempsey	Head of Communications
Karen Muldowney	Press and Communications Officer
Aisling Roche	Programme Manager

Dictionary of Irish Biography

Kate O'Malley	Managing Editor (acting)
Patrick Maume	Editorial Assistant
Terry Clavin	Editorial Assistant and Administrator
Turlough O'Riordan	Editorial Administrator
Elizabeth (Liz) Evers	Research and Editorial Assistant
Niav Gallagher	Editorial Support Officer

Documents on Irish Foreign Policy

Michael Kennedy	Executive Editor
John Gibney	DFAT100 Project Co-ordinator

Dictionary of Medieval Latin from Celtic Sources

Anthony Harvey	Editor
Joseph Flahive	Project Assistant

Digital Repository of Ireland

Natalie Harrower	Director
Lisa Griffith	Programme Manager
Deborah Thorpe	Education and Outreach Manager
Kevin Long	Digital Archivist
Timea Biro	RDA Project Manager
Anja Mahler	Digital Archivist
Áine Madden	Programme Manager

Facilities

Hugh Shiels	Facilities Manager
Paul Mitchell	Services Officer
Anna Tomaszek	Receptionist

Foclóir Stairiúl na Gaeilge

Oifig Bhaile Átha Cliath

Charles Dillon	Eagarthóir
Déirdre D'Auria	Eagarthóir Cúnta
Colm Ó Cuaig	Clár bainisteoir

Oifig Dhún na nGall

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

Human Resources

Jacinta O'Malley	Head of HR
Ioana Marcu	HR Assistant

Irish Historic Towns Atlas

Sarah Gearty	Cartographic and Managing Editor
Frank Cullen	Editorial Assistant
Jennifer Moore	Editorial Assistant

Irish Humanities Alliance

Mel Farrell	Director
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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

Barbara McCormack	Librarian
Bernadette Cunningham	Deputy Librarian
Sophie Evans	Assistant Librarian
Antoinette Prout	Assistant Librarian
Dave McKeon	Library Assistant
Konstantin Ermolin	Library Assistant
Dymphna Moore	Senior Executive Assistant

Policy and International Relations

Sinéad Riordan	Head of Policy and International Relations
Jennifer Kenneally	Policy and International Relations Manager
Niamh McCabe	Grants Manager
Craig Skerritt	Policy and International Programmes Manager
Felicity Maxwell	Research for Policy Project (IRC-RIA)

Publications

Ruth Hegarty	Managing Editor of Publications
Helena King	Senior Editor
Jonathan Dykes	Assistant Editor/Journals Manager
Fidelma Slattery	Graphic Designer
Valeria Cavalli	Administrator/Marketing Executive
Trevor Mullins	Senior Publications Assistant
Aisling Roche	Grangegorman Project

Standing Committees

as at 31 December 2020

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 2020.

The Polite Literature and Antiquities Advisory Subcommittee

P. Gerald McKenna—Senior Vice-President (Chair)

M. Canning—President (Vice-Chair)

F. Brearton

R. Byrne

M. Clayton

J. Conroy

C. Fennell

A. Forrestal

I. Honohan

D.N. Livingstone

M. Nic Craith

R. Ó Floinn

E. O’Halpin

R. Stalley

A. Titley

G. Toner

C. Whelan

The Science Advisory Subcommittee

M. Canning—President (Chair)

P. Gerald McKenna—Senior Vice-President (Vice-Chair)

Y. Buckley

G. Butler

H. Curran

F. Dias

P. Flatt

P. Giller

M. Gregg

M. B. Jones

E. Kennedy

M. Lynch

S. Martin

M. O’Neill

A. Smeaton

W. Spillane

C. Stanton

(The Acting Senior Programme Manager and Senior Executive Assistant in attendance)

Audit and Risk Committee

The Secretary (Secretary)

G. Dempsey

O. Feely

Mr R. Mooney

Mr J. Murphy (Chair)

(The Treasurer, the Executive Director and the Head of Finance in attendance)

Finance and Investment Committee

The President (Chair)

The Treasurer (Secretary)

S. Dorgan

G. Wrixon

(The Executive Director and the Head of Finance in attendance)

Review Committee on Honorary Membership

The President (Chair)

The Treasurer

The Secretary

The PL&A Secretary

The Science Secretary

M.E. Daly

L. Drury

M. P. Kennedy

One PL&A member and one Science member, filled by an open call:

D.M.X. Donnelly

A. Fuchs

(A senior member of staff in attendance)

Review Committee on Council-Recommended Membership

The President (Chair)

The Secretary

The PL&A Secretary

The Science Secretary

Two PL&A members and two Science members, filled by an open call:

C. Connolly

M. Curley

N. Dorr

M. Kelly

(The Head of Programmes and Administration in attendance)

North–South Standing Committee

M. Bailey

V. Borooah

M.T. Cowan

R. Downer

R. English

N. Johnson
D.N. Livingstone
M. Mansergh
P.G. McKenna (Chair)
R.M.O. Pritchard
S. Strain
J. Todd
(The Head of Communications and Public Affairs in attendance)

Cunningham Medal Committee

The President (Chair)
The Senior Vice-President
The Secretary
The Treasurer
The PL&A Secretary
The Science Secretary
P. Honohan
K. James Chakraborty

Academic Board

The Secretary (Chair)
The Science Secretary (Co-Vice-Chair)
The PL&A Secretary (Co-Vice-Chair)
The Policy and International Relations Secretary
The chairs of the ten Multidisciplinary Committees:
Climate Change and Environmental Sciences
Coiste Léann na Gaeilge, Litríocht na Gaeilge agus na gCultúr Ceilteach
Engineering and Computer Sciences
Ethical, Political, Legal and Philosophical Studies
Geosciences and Geographical Sciences
Historical Studies
Life and Medical Sciences
Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences
Social Sciences
Study of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication
(The Head of Programmes and Administration, the Head of Policy and International Relations, the Head of Communications and Public Affairs and relevant Programme Managers in attendance)

Policy Oversight Group

The Policy and International Relations Secretary (Chair)
The PL&A Secretary
The Science Secretary
J. Conroy
L. Drury
J. Morison
B. Norton
(The Head of Policy and International Relations in attendance)

Library Committee

The President (Chair)

The Treasurer

The Secretary

J.R. Bartlett

M. Clayton

J.J. Kelly

R. Ó hUiginn

M.F. Ryan

(The Executive Director and the Librarian in attendance)

Publication Committee

The President (Chair)

The Treasurer

The Secretary

The Honorary Academic Editor

The Executive Director

C. Crowe

J.J. Kelly

(The Managing Editor of Publications in attendance)

IT Advisory Committee

The Executive Director

The Head of IT (Secretary)

The Librarian

Mr P. Coffey

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Dr T. Twomey

Officers of the Royal Irish Academy

Presidents

Date of Election

1785	May 2	Right Hon. the Earl of Charlemont, LLD, FRS
1799	October 26	Richard Kirwan, LLD, FRS
1812	June 22	Right Hon. the Earl of Charleville, FRS
1822	March 16	Right Rev. John Brinkley, DD, FRS
1835	November 9	Rev. Bartholomew Lloyd, DD
1837	December 11	Sir William Rowan Hamilton, LLD, DCL
1846	March 16	Rev. Humphrey Lloyd, DD, FRS
1851	March 15	Rev. Thomas Romney Robinson, DD, LLD, DCL, FRS
1856	March 15	Rev. James Henthorn Todd, DD
1861	March 16	Very Rev. Charles Graves, DD, FRS
1866	March 16	Right Hon. Lord Talbot de Malahide, LLD, FRS
1869	November 30	Rev. John Hewitt Jellett, DD
1874	March 16	William Stokes, MD, LLD, DCL, FRS
1877	March 16	Sir Robert Kane, MD, LLD, DCL, FRS
1882	March 16	Sir Samuel Ferguson LLD, QC
1886	November 8	Rev. Samuel Haughton, MD, DCL, LLD, FRS
1891	March 16	Right Rev. William Reeves, DD, MB, LLD
1892	February 8	John Kells Ingram, LLD
1896	March 16	Right Hon. the Earl of Rosse, KP, LLD, FRS
1901	March 16	Robert Atkinson, LLD, LittD
1906	March 16	Francis Alexander Tarleton, LLD, ScD
1911	March 16	Rev. John Pentland Mahaffy, CVO, DD, MusD
1916	March 16	Most Rev. the Right Hon. John Henry Bernard, DD, DCL
1921	March 16	Sydney Young, ScD, FRS
1926	March 16	Robert Alexander Stewart Macalister, LittD, LLD, FSA
1931	March 16	Robert Lloyd Praeger, DSc
1934	March 16	Edward John Gwynn, LittD
1937	March 16	Arthur William Conway, DSc, FRS
1940	March 16	Eoin MacNeill, DLitt
1943	March 16	Richard Irvine Best, LittD
1946	March 16	Thomas Percy Claude Kirkpatrick, MD, LittD
1949	March 16	John James Nolan, MD, DSc
1952	March 16	Right Rev. Mgr Patrick Joseph Boylan, MD, LittD, DD
1955	March 16	James Malachi O'Connor, MD, DSc
1958	March 15	Rev. Aubrey Gwynn, SJ, BLitt
1961	March 16	John Lighton Synge, MA, ScD, FRS
1964	March 16	Joseph Doyle, DSc
1966	March 16	Myles Dillon, MA, PhD
1967	March 16	Joseph Raftery, MA, DrPhil
1970	March 16	Vincent Christopher Barry, DSc, FRIC
1973	March 16	David William Greene, MA
1976	March 16	George Francis Mitchell, MA, MSc, FRS
1979	March 16	Proinsias MacCana, MA, PhD

1982	March 16	William Arthur Watts, MA, ScD
1985	March 16	Thomas Kenneth Whitaker, DEconSc, LLD
1987	March 16	James C.I. Dooge, ME, MSc
1990	March 16	Aidan Clarke, MA, PhD
1993	March 16	John Oliver Scanlan, DSc
1996	March 16	Michael Herity, MA, PhD
1999	March 16	Thomas David Spearman, PhD, MA, ScD
2002	March 16	Michael Edward Fitzgerald Ryan, MA, PhD
2005	March 16	James A. Slevin, MSc, PhD
2008	March 15	Nicholas P. Canny, MA, PhD, FBA
2011	March 16	Luke O'Connor Drury, PhD
2014	March 15	Mary E. Daly, MA, DPhil
2017	March 16	Michael Peter Kennedy, BE, MS, EE, PhD
2020	March 16	Mary Canning, MA, D. Dip.Ed., PhD

Treasurers

Date of Election

1785	May 2	Right Hon. William Burton Conyngham MP
1796	November 5	Colonel James Blaquiere
1803	March 16	Robert Shaw
1806	May 12	Samuel Guinness
1806	May 29	Colonel Hugh Hill
1810	March 16	Rev. Thomas Prior, DD
1817	March 15	William Brooke, MD
1829	July 27	Thomas Herbert Orpen, MD
1841	November 30	Aquilla Smith, MD
1842	March 16	James Pim
1844	April 8	Robert Ball, LLD
1857	April 27	Rev. Joseph Carson, DD
1867	May 27	William Henry Hardinge
1871	March 16	John Ribton Garstin, MA
1878	November 30	Rev. Maxwell Henry Close, MA
1903	March 16	Rev. Wm Ralph Westropp Roberts, MA, DD
1929	March 16	John Lighton Synge, MA, ScD
1930	November 10	Felix E. Hackett, MA, PhD
1962	March 16	Vincent C. Barry, DSc
1970	March 16	William O'Sullivan, MA, DEconSc
1972	March 16	Patrick Lynch, MA
1980	March 15	Thomas David Spearman, MA, PhD
1988	March 16	Anthony Francis Hegarty, PhD, DSc
1996	March 16	Thomas Brian Hamilton McMurry, MA, PhD, ScD
2001	March 16	Michael Edward Fitzgerald Ryan, MA, PhD
2002	March 16	Francis Jack Smith, MA, PhD
2006	March 16	Julian Richard Huxham Ross, PhD, DSc
2008	March 15	John Corish, BSc, PhD, MA
2013	March 16	John F. McGilp, BA, PhD
2017	March 16	Stephen James Gardiner, BSc, MSc, PhD, DSc

Secretaries

Date of Election

1785	May 2	Robert Perceval, MD
1789	March 16	Rev. John Stack, MA
1791	June 11	William James M'Nevin, MD
1792	March 16	Rev. George Hall, DD
1794	March 15	Rev. Robert Burrowes, DD
1796	March 16	Rev. Thomas Elrington, DD
1802	March 15	Rev. George Miller, DD
1805	March 16	William Preston
1807	February 26	Rev. William Davenport, DD
1816	March 16	Rev. Joseph Henderson Singer, DD
1842	May 9	James MacCullagh, LLD
1846	March 16	Rev. James Henthorn Todd, DD
1856	March 18	Rev. Charles Graves, DD, FRS
1861	March 16	Rev. William Reeves, MB, DD
1867	March 16	William Kirby Sullivan, PhD
1874	March 16	Edward Perceval Wright, MA, MD
1877	June 25	Sir Robert Stawell Ball, LLD, FRS
1880	June 28	Alexander Macalister, MD, FRS
1883	November 30	Edward Perceval Wright, MA, MD
1899	March 16	Rev. John Henry Bernard, DD
1902	March 15	Charles Jasper Joly, MA, ScD, FRS
1906	March 16	John Alexander McClelland, MA, DSc, FRS
1920	June 28	George Herbert Carpenter, DSc
1923	March 16	John James Nolan, MA, DSc
1949	March 16	John Lighton Synge, MA, ScD, FRS
1952	March 16	Ernest Thomas Sinton Walton, PhD
1957	March 16	Joseph Doyle, DSc
1963	March 16	Brian Ó Cuív, MA, DLitt
1967	March 16	James R. McConnell, MA, DSc
1972	March 16	Thomas Walsh, MAgrSc, PhD, DSc
1978	March 16	James C.I. Dooge, ME, MSc
1981	October 5	John Oliver Scanlan, DSc
1989	March 16	Gerard Watson, MA, STL, PhD
1993	March 16	Eda Sagarra, DrPhil, LittD
2000	March 16	Mary Elizabeth Daly, MA, DPhil
2004	March 16	James A. Slevin, MSc, PhD
2005	March 16	Howard Brian Clarke, PhD
2009	March 16	Thomas Joseph Brazil, BE, PhD
2013	March 16	Vani K. Borooah, MA, PhD
2015	March 16	Eugene T. Kennedy, BSc, PhD
2017	March 16	Patrick M. Shannon, BSc, PhD

Secretaries for Polite Literature and Antiquities

Date of Election

1930	April 14	Thomas Philip Le Fanu, CB
1935	March 16	Edmund Curtis, LittD
1938	March 16	Harold G. Leask, LittD
1959	March 16	James J. Tierney, MA
1965	March 16	Joseph Raftery, MA, DrPhil
1967	March 16	Tomás de Bhaldraithe, MA, PhD, DLitt
1970	March 16	W. Bedell Stanford, MA, LittD
1974	March 16	Máire de Paor, MA, PhD
1979	March 16	George L. Huxley, MA
1986	March 15	Gerard Watson, MA, STL, PhD
1989	March 16	Aidan Clarke, MA, PhD
1990	March 16	Thomas Noel Mitchell, MA, PhD
1993	March 16	J. Ronan Fanning, PhD
2000	March 16	Michael Edward Fitzgerald Ryan, MA, PhD
2001	March 16	Pádraig Seosamh Ó Riain, MA, PhD
2005	March 16	Jane Conroy, MA, D-ès-L
2010	March 16	Michael A. Cronin, PhD
2012	March 16	Colm Lennon, BA, MA, PhD
2014	March 15	Imelda Maher, BCL, LLM, BL
2018	March 16	Mary O'Dowd, BA, PhD

Secretaries for Science

Date of Election

1930	April 14	John James Nolan, MA, DSc
1949	March 16	John Lighton Synge, ScD, FRS
1952	March 15	Ernest Thomas Sinton Walton, PhD
1957	March 16	Joseph Doyle, DSc
1963	March 16	Patrick J. Nolan, PhD, DSc
1966	March 16	Wesley Cocker, DSc, PhD, MA, ScD
1968	March 16	James R. McConnell, MA, DSc
1970	March 16	Thomas Walsh, MAgrSc, PhD, DSc
1973	March 16	John N.R. Grainger, MSc, PhD
1975	March 16	Michael C. Sexton, MSc, PhD, DSc
1980	March 15	William A. Watts, MA, ScD
1982	March 16	Robert Stanley McElhinney, PhD, FRSC
1986	March 15	Anthony Francis Hegarty, PhD, DSc
1988	March 16	George Francis Imbusch, MSc, PhD, DSc
1993	March 16	Roderick Patrick Kernan, MSc, PhD, DSc
2000	March 16	James A. Slevin, MSc, PhD
2005	March 16	David John Fegan, MSc, PhD
2008	March 15	Peter I. Mitchell, BSc, PhD
2011	March 16	Eugene T. Kennedy, BSc, PhD
2015	March 16	Peter McHugh, BE, ScM, PhD
2016	March 16	Patrick J. Guiry, BSc, PhD
2020	March 16	Catherine Godson, BSc, PhD

Secretaries for Foreign Correspondence and International Relations*

Date of Election or Appointment

1785	May 2	Rev. Henry Ussher, DD
1790	June 26	Rev. George Graydon, LLB
1791	March 16	Robert Perceval, MD
1792	March 16	Rev. George Graydon, LLB
1803	March 16	Colonel Hugh Hill
1811	March 16	Colonel Edward Hill
1828	November 29	Sir William Betham
1839	May 27	James MacCullagh, LLD
1840	March 16	Rev. Humphrey Lloyd, DD, FRS
1846	March 16	Rev. Samuel Butcher, MA
1856	March 16	William Robert Wills Wilde
1858	December 13	Rev. Samuel Butcher, DD
1864	March 16	Sir William Robert Wills Wilde, MD
1874	March 16	Robert M'Donnell, MD, FRS
1875	March 16	William Archer, FRS
1879	March 15	Joseph Patrick O'Reilly, CE
1899	March 16	Robert Francis Scharff, BSc, PhD
1902	March 15	Joseph Patrick O'Reilly, CE
1904	March 16	Robert Francis Scharff, BSc, PhD
1906	March 16	Edward John Gwynn, MA
1907	March 16	Rev. Edmund Hogan, S.J., DLitt
1909	March 16	Edward John Gwynn, MA
1912	March 16	Henry FitzPatrick Berry, MA, LittD, ISO
1914	March 16	Robert Francis Scharff, BSc, PhD
1916	March 16	Ernest Henry Alton, MA
1917	March 16	Thomas Johnson Westropp, MA
1919	March 15	Edward John Gwynn, MA
1921	March 16	Ernest Henry Alton, MA
1924	March 15	Edward John Gwynn, MA
1927	March 16	Ernest Henry Alton, MA, LittD
1929	March 16	Edward John Gwynn, MA, LittD
2003	March 15	Luke O' Connor Drury, PhD
2007	March 16	John Corish, PhD, DPhil
2008	March 15	Marie Therese Flanagan, MA, DPhil
2012	March 16	Michael Peter Kennedy, BE, MS, EE, PhD
2016	March 16	Peter McHugh, BE, ScM, PhD
2020	March 16	Brian Norton, BSc, DSc, MSc, PhD

*By the adoption of revised By-laws on 14 April 1930, the office of Secretary for Foreign Correspondence became obsolete. The Office of Secretary for International Relations was established by the adoption of revised By-laws on 30 November 2002.

Assistant, Resident and Executive Secretaries*

Date of Election or Appointment

1790	March 16	John Hayes
1816	August 6	Rev. Richard Roe, BA
1834	March 15	James Roe
1839	March 16	Edward Clibborn
1880	June 28	Alfred Edgar, BA
1882	February 13	Robert Macalister, MA, LLD
1928	March 16	Anthony Farrington, BE, DSc
1961	March 16	Liam de Paor, MA
1962	Nov. 12	John St Patrick Cowell, LRCP&SI, DPH
1964	April 20	Jane O'Malley, MA
1977	October 1	Aidan Duggan, MA, MEconSc
1993	March 3	Patrick Buckley, MA
2010	November 1	Laura Mahoney, MA
2018	August	Lesley Goulding (Acting)
2019	March 4	Tony Gaynor, PhD

*By an amendment to the By-laws adopted on 27 January 1964, this office became a permanent appointment, to be made by Council. A further amendment to the By-laws adopted on 30 November 2020 added the title of Executive Director to this role.

Curators and Keepers of Irish Antiquities*

Date of Election or Appointment

1845	June 23	Edward Clibborn
1872	April 1	Major Robert MacEniry
1890	August 18	Major Robert MacEniry
1897	July 6	George Coffey, AIB
1914	April 1	Edmund Clarence Richard Armstrong, FSA
1925	October 1	Walther Bremer, PhD
1927	November 30	Adolf Mahr, PhD
1949	July 9	Joseph J. Raftery, PhD
1978	June 20	Antoine Breandán Ó Riordáin, MA
1979	October 23	Michael Edward FitzGerald Ryan, MA, PhD, FSA
1992	June 15	Eamonn P. Kelly
2015	May	Mary Cahill
2017	July 4	Maeve Sikora, MA

*After the transfer of the Academy Collection to the National Museum Buildings in Kildare Street from 26 January 1905, the official title was changed to Keeper of Irish Antiquities.

Librarians*

Date of Election or Appointment

1788	March 15	Rev. Daniel Augustus Beaufort, LLD
1791	March 16	Richard Kirwan, LLD, FRS
1800	March 15	Rev. William Davenport, MA
1806	March 14	Rev. Walter Stephens
1808	December 19	Rev. Thomas Prior, DD
1810	March 16	William Brooke, MD
1817	March 16	Rev. Thomas Romney Robinson, MA, FRS
1822	March 16	Rev. William Hamilton Drummond, DD
1861	March 16	John Thomas Gilbert
1876	March 16	Robert Atkinson, LLD
1878	March 16	John Thomas Gilbert, FSA
1887	March 16	William Frazer, FRCSI
1888	March 16	Sir John Thomas Gilbert, LLD, FSA
1898	June 13	William Frazer, FRCSI
1899	May 8	Grenville Arthur James Cole, FGS
1905	March 16	Robert Lloyd Praeger, BE, DSc
1931	March 16	Edward John Gwynn, LittD
1961	February 1	Caitlin Bonfield, BA
1969	November 29	Brigid Dolan, MA
1997	June 16	Siobhán Fitzpatrick, BA, DLIS
2020	April 15	Barbara McCormack, BA, MLIS

*From 1934 to 1961 this office was merged with that of the Assistant Secretary.

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as at 31 December 2020

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

The Climate Change and Environmental Science Committee met three times in 2020

Jennifer McElwain, Trinity College Dublin (Chair)
Tom Arnold, Institute of International and European Affairs
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Colin O'Dowd, National University of Ireland, Galway
Professor Fiona Regan, Dublin City University
Dr Helen Roe, Queen's University Belfast
Dr Áine Ryall, University College Cork
In attendance
Teresa Gallagher—Programme Manager

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

Bhí ceithre chruinniú ag Coiste Léann na Gaeilge, Litríocht na Gaeilge agus na gCultúr Ceilteach i rith 2020

Máirín Nic Eoin, Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath (Cathaoirleach)
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An Dr Ríona Ní Fhrighil, Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh
An Dr Tracey Ní Mhaonaigh, Ollscoil Mhá Nuad
An tOllamh Pádraig Ó Macháin, Coláiste na hOllscoile, Corcaigh

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An Dr Malachy O’Neill, Ollscoil Uladh
An Dr Michelle O’Riordan, Institiúid Ard-Léinn Bhaile Átha Cliath
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An tOllamh Regina Uí Chollatáin, Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath
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Engineering and Computer Science Committee

The Engineering and Computer Science Committee met three times in 2020

Vincent Fusco, Queen’s University Belfast (Chair)
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Martin Curley, Health Services Executive
Dr Elizabeth Daly, IBM
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Dr Deirdre Lillis, Dublin Institute of Technology
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Dr Roger O’Connor, Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources
Dr Tony O’Donnell, Shutterstock
Professor Padraic O’Donoghue, National University of Ireland, Galway
Professor Máirtín Ó Droma, University of Limerick
Máire O’Neill, Queen’s University Belfast
Richard Reilly, Trinity College Dublin
Professor John Ringwood, Maynooth University
Professor Nabeel Riza, University College Cork
Mr P.J. Rudden, Aengus Consulting
In attendance
Teresa Gallagher—Programme Manager

Ethical, Political, Legal and Philosophical Studies Committee

The Ethical, Political, Legal and Philosophical Studies Committee met three times in 2020

Maeve Cooke, University College Dublin (Chair)
John Coakley, University College Dublin
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Iseult Honohan, University College Dublin
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Professor Donncha O’Connell, National University of Ireland, Galway
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Dr Mary Shanahan, National University of Ireland, Galway
Dr Tom Walker, Queen's University Belfast
In attendance
Pauline McNamara—Programme Manager

Geosciences and Geographical Sciences Committee

The Geosciences and Geographical Sciences Committee met three times in 2020

Koen Verbruggen, Geological Survey of Ireland (Chair)
Professor Chris Bean, Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies
Dr Avril Behan, Dublin Institute of Technology
Dr Mary Bourke, Trinity College Dublin
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Graeme Swindles, Queen's University Belfast
Koen Verbruggen, Geological Survey of Ireland
Professor John Walsh, University College Dublin
Professor Andy Wheeler, University College Cork
In attendance
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Historical Studies Committee

The Historical Studies Committee met three times in 2020

Dáibhí Ó Cróinín, National University of Ireland, Galway (Chair)
Dr Jacqueline Cahill Wilson, University of Bristol
Seán Connolly, Queen's University Belfast
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Dr Ida Milne, Carlow College
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Andrew Smith, University College Dublin
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Life and Medical Sciences Committee

The Life and Medical Sciences Committee met three times in 2020

Mark Crowe, University College Dublin (Chair)
Dick Ahlstrom, The Irish Times
Dr Eithne Dempsey, Maynooth University
Professor Jane Farrar, Trinity College Dublin
Dr Oliver Feeney, National University of Ireland, Galway
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Dr Jennifer McManus, Maynooth University
Professor Tara Moore, Ulster University
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Bert Rima, Queen's University Belfast
Cormac Taylor, University College Dublin
Dr Marian Traynor, Queen's University Belfast
In attendance
Teresa Gallagher—Programme Manager

Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences Committee

The Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences Committee met three times in 2020

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Professor Louise Bradley, Trinity College Dublin
Dr Masha Chernyakova, Dublin City University
Professor Sylvia Draper, Trinity College Dublin
Professor Declan Gilheany, University College Dublin
Professor James Gleeson, University of Limerick
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Dr Christine O'Connor, Dublin Institute of Technology
Anthony O'Farrell, Maynooth University
Dr Matt Redman, National University of Ireland, Galway
Professor Peter Robertson, Queen's University Belfast
Denis Weaire, Trinity College Dublin
In attendance
Teresa Gallagher—Programme Manager

Social Sciences Committee

The Social Sciences Committee met three times in 2020

Áine Hyland, University College Cork (Chair)
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Dr Graham Brownlow, Queen's University Belfast
Andrew Cottey, Standing Committee for International Affairs
Paul Devereux, University College Dublin
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Professor Siobhán Wills, Ulster University
In attendance
Pauline McNamara—Programme Manager

Committee for the Study of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication

The Committee for the Study of Languages, Literature, Culture and Communication met three times in 2020

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Nicholas Grene, Trinity College Dublin
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In attendance
Pauline McNamara—Programme Manager

Standing Committee for Archaeology

The Standing Committee for Archaeology met three times in 2020

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In attendance
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Standing Committee for International Affairs

The Standing Committee for International Affairs met three times in 2020

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Frank McGovern, Environmental Protection Agency

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Discourses and Masterclasses

Discourses

- 28 January** Presidential Discourse with Michael Peter Kennedy 'Reflections on the role of a learned Academy'
- 13 February** Philip Lane in conversation with Alan Barrett
- 26 August** Panel discussion on the US Elections, with Ms Àine Lawlor; Desmond King; Mr David O'Sullivan, Professor Robert Schmuhl, Dr Karlin Lillington
- 29 October** Dr Mounier Bouchenaki 'Cultural heritage and recent armed conflicts'
- 10 November** Jocelyn Bell Burnell 'Astronomy and Poetry'

The Academy Discourse programme is sponsored by Mason, Hayes and Curran.

2020 Women in Leadership Masterclasses

- 29 May** Frances Fitzgerald, Fine Gael MEP for Dublin City and County
- 9 July** Rose Anne Kenny, Professor of Medical Gerontology at Trinity College Dublin
- 3 September** Geraldine Byrne Nason, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations in New York
- 17 November** Brian MacCraith, former President of Dublin City University

The 2020 Women in Leadership masterclass series was sponsored by Accenture Ireland

Social media

Twitter

Twitter is the primary social media platform for the Royal Irish Academy

2020	New followers	Tweets	Engagements	Profile clicks	Impressions
Q1	462	203	1,470	6,581	824,000
Q2	753	248	2,008	11,085	1,942,000
Q3	461	187	846	4,973	849,000
Q4	374	288	1,194	14,067	1,198,000

Facebook

This is a secondary social media platform for the Royal Irish Academy

Cumulative figures 2020	Followers	Likes	Number of Posts	Post Reach	Post Engagement
Q1	6589	6539	53	50054	3095
Q2	6695	6634	75	68460	3310
Q3	6722	6683	71	50057	2461
Q4	6783	6728	65	41049	1414

Website

The Royal Irish Academy website attracted a total of 169,616 users in 2019, of whom 166,405 were new users; there were 252,880 sessions in total

2020	Total users	Total Sessions	Page views	Pages/session	Avg. session duration
Q1	56,274	77,294	172,681	2.23	2'02"
Q2	40,941	60,159	148,497	2.47	2'15"
Q3	12,230	22,124	69,700	3.15	3'09"
Q4	18,445	33,722	101,302	3.00	2'34"

Academy Prizes and Medals Awarded

Gold Medals

In 2005 the Royal Irish Academy established six Gold Medals to acclaim Ireland's foremost thinkers in the humanities, social sciences, physical and mathematical sciences, life sciences, engineering sciences, and in the environmental sciences and geosciences. Each of the Science medals is awarded once over a four-year cycle. The Humanities medal and the Social Sciences medal are awarded on alternate years.

2020:	Not yet announced—Humanities Not yet announced—Life Sciences
2019:	Richard English—Social Sciences Vincent Fusco—Engineering Sciences
2018:	Kathleen James-Chakraborty—Humanities Stephen J. Smartt—Physical and Mathematical Sciences
2017:	Malcolm MacLaughlin—Social Sciences John Walsh—Environmental Sciences and Geosciences
2016:	Louis Cullen—Humanities Fergus Shanahan—Life Sciences
2015:	Philip Lane—Social Sciences Alan Smeaton—Engineering Sciences
2014:	Professor Desmond M. Clarke—Humanities Werner Nahm—Physical and Mathematical Sciences
2013:	Rob Kitchin—Social Sciences Colin O'Dowd—Environmental Sciences and Geosciences
2012:	Dermot Moran—Humanities Luke O'Neill—Life Sciences
2011:	William A. Schabas—Social Sciences Professor John O. Scanlan—Engineering Sciences
2010:	Cormac Ó Gráda—Humanities Samson Shatashvili—Physical and Mathematical Sciences
2008:	David N. Livingstone—Social Sciences Charles Hepworth Holland—Environmental Sciences and Geosciences
2007:	George Eogan—Humanities John Fuller Atkins—Life Sciences
2006:	James Peter Neary—Social Sciences James C.I. Dooge—Engineering Sciences
2005:	John Myles Dillon MRIA—Humanities John Michael David Coey—Physical and Mathematical Sciences

Cunningham Medals

In 1789 Timothy Cunningham, Barrister, bequeathed the sum of £1,000 to the Royal Irish Academy to enable it to award premiums for the 'improvement of natural knowledge and other subjects of their institution'. In 1989, the bicentenary year of Timothy Cunningham's bequest, the Council of the Academy decided to revive the Cunningham Medal, as an award to recognise outstanding contributions by a Member to scholarship and the objectives of the Academy. The next Cunningham Medal will be awarded in 2023.

2020 Nicholas P. Canny
 2017 Dervilla M.X. Donnelly
 2014 Patrick Honohan
 2011 John V McCanny
 2008 Denis L Weaire
 2001 Daniel J. Bradley
 Maurice J. Craig
 Bernard Crossland
 David B. Quinn
 1989 George Francis Mitchell

1885 John Christian Malet
 1884 John Birmingham
 1883 Edward Perceval Wright
 1881 Howard Grubb
 1879 Robert Stawell Ball
 William Archerfw
 1878 Aquilla Smith
 John Casey
 Edward Dowden
 George James Allman
 1873 Sir William R. Wilde
 1862 Humphrey Lloyd
 Robert Mallet
 Whitley Stokes
 John Thomas Gilbert
 1858 Edward J. Cooper
 George Salmon
 Charles William Wall

1851 John Hewitt Jellett
 1848 William Rowan Hamilton
 Samuel Haughton
 Edward Hincks
 John O'Donovan
 1843 Robert Kane
 1839 George Petrie
 1838 James McCullagh
 1834 William Rowan Hamilton
 1833 George Petrie
 1830 George Petrie
 1828 John D'Alton
 1818 John Brinkley
 1805 William Preston
 1800 Theophilus Swift
 1796 Thomas Wallace

Kathleen Lonsdale Chemistry Prize 2019

Dr Yikai Xu, Queen's University Belfast

Essay title, 'Construction of bulk materials with nano-functionality through self-assembly'

Hamilton Prize winners 2020

Daniel Devine, Trinity College Dublin

Chuan En Lau, TU Dublin

Emily Gribbin, Queen's University Belfast

Mark Jennings, University College Dublin

David McMahon, University of Limerick

Peter Moody, Maynooth University

Oisín Morrison, NUI Galway

Diarmuid O'Donoghue, University College Cork

Ronan Smith, Dublin City University

US-Ireland Research Innovation Awards winners 2020

Irish operation of a US multinational company (MNC): Boston Scientific Clonmel

Irish higher education institute (HEI) research centre with link to US corporate sector:

Ulster University with Avellino

Innovation in Talent Development: Microsoft Dreamspace

Main RIA Events and Activities 2020

Unless otherwise stated, events took place virtually due to Government restrictions arising from the Covid-19 pandemic

8 January

Public Engagement

Conversation with Brendan O'Leary
Benburb Priory, Co. Tyrone

13 January

Library

Exhibition: 'The Books of Knockninny: manuscripts, culture and society in 18th-century Fermanagh'
Academy House

22 January to 28 February

Library

Exhibition: 'Discovering Thomas Moore: Ireland in nineteenth-century Europe' in collaboration with Queen's University Belfast.
Academy House

28 January

Public Engagement

Election debate on the Future Funding of Higher Education and Research in Ireland, RIA with IUA, THEA and USI
Academy House

28 January

Membership

Prize Ceremony: 2020 Cunningham Medal presented to Nicholas Canny
Academy House

29 January

Library

Lunchtime lecture: 'Séamus Mág Uidhir and the Book(s) of Knockninny' by Nollaig Ó Muraíle
Academy House

1 February

Publications

Exhibition: A celebration of Irish women
Academy House

5 February

Library

Lunchtime lecture: "'Me Guidhir Fhearmanach": text and context' by Dr Ciarán Mac Murchaidh
Academy House

13 February

DMLCS

Lecture: 'Medieval Ghost Words, Poltergeist Words, and Frankenstein Words in the Celtic-Latin Corpus' by Dr Anthony Harvey
Early Irish and Celtic Studies Research Seminar, NUIM

13 February

IHTA

Galway Archaeology Spring Lecture series: 'Back to the future: Renaissance Galway in the mid-seventeenth century' by Mr Paul Walsh
Town Hall Theatre, Galway

17–20 February

DRI

15th International Digital Curation Conference (IDCC), organised with the Digital Curation Coalition
Croke Park, Dublin

19 February

EPLP Committee, Library

Lecture: 'The three Aristotles of James Joyce' by Professor Fran O'Rourke
Academy House

25 February

Future Earth Ireland

Tree Academy at the Academy
Academy House

26 February

Library

Lunchtime lecture: 'An English take on an Irish character: John Henry Newman's Irish printing-type' by Dr Dermot McGuinne
Academy House

27 February

Historical Studies Committee, EPLP

Committee, Social Sciences Committee
Church of Ireland: Disestablishment and beyond. a conference commemorating the 150th anniversary of the disestablishment of the Church of Ireland, co-hosted with the Church of Ireland Academy House

1–17 March

Publications

Lamp post banner campaign for Seachtain na Gaeilge - A history of Ireland in 100 words

5 March

Publications

A history of Ireland in 100 words, authors in conversation with Alan Tittley
Pearse Street Library

9 March to 26 April

Library

Exhibition: 'Creative women of Ireland: artists and women from the archives'
Academy House and online

11 March

Library

Lunchtime lecture: 'Nuala and her sisters: the daughters of Aodh Ó Domhnaill and An Iníon Dubh' by Dr Pádraig Ó Macháin
Academy House

12 March

DMLCS

Inaugural St Patrick Symposium: 'St Patrick in the Digital Age'
St Patrick's College, Maynooth

April–December

Publications

Exhibition: A history of Ireland in 10 words
Various locations

April–July

Publications

Video series: Meet the authors

3 April

DRI

Discussion: Science communication for research data' session at the Research Data Alliance plenary

20 April

IHTA

Video: Oireachtas Library Treasures series — 'Maps!' with Dr Sarah Gearty discussing John Speed's 1610 map of Leinster and the Railway Commission Maps from 1836–7.

28 April

DRI

RDA Ireland Meet the Experts: Dr Conor O'Carroll - 'Open Science and its future – a European perspective' organised by Research Data Alliance (RDA), DRI and National Library of Ireland

28 April

Library

Exhibition: 'Prodigies of learning: Academy women in the nineteenth century'

29 April

Standing Committee for International Affairs

Annual conference: 'The global politics of climate emergency'

29 April

IHTA

'Reading urban topographies: examples from the Irish Historic Towns Atlas' by Dr Sarah Gearty and Dr Rachel Murphy. Online Conference paper for Historical Ontology of Urban Space, Polish Academy of Sciences

30 April

IHTA

Town-Type series — online essays on Monastic, Viking, Anglo-Norman, early modern, plantation, Gaelic, eighteenth and nineteenth-century towns by Anngret Simms, Howard Clarke, Dr Michael Potterton, Raymond Gillespie, Colm Lennon and Dr Jacinta Prunty.

1 May

DRI

RDA Ireland Meet the Experts: Dr Rebecca Grant – 'Research data in Ireland: from policy requirements to researcher incentives' organised by RDA IE (DRI and NLI)

1 May

Foclóir Stairiúil na Gaeilge

Acht ós cinneamhaint dom imtheacht 'mo dhíorfach – blogpost by Dr Charles Dillon on hermits, hermitages and loneliness in Irish language and literature

May

DMCLS

How Linguistics Can Help the Historian. Seven-part web-based exposition by Anthony Harvey

2 June

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Opinion series: Drought: a risk being overlooked in Ireland? by Dr Conor Murphy and Dr Simon Noone

6 June

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Opinion series: Climate, food and health: Critical policy choices in the post- COVID-19 world

15 June

DRI

Research Data Alliance webinars as part of the RDA Global Adoption week

16 June

DRI

‘The power of a photograph’: Collecting and digital preservation in times of social change. Organised in collaboration with National Archives, Ireland

20 June

Library

‘Aon Amharc ar Éirinn: Gaelic families and their manuscripts’.

22 June

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Opinion series: Climate Governance and Fundamental Rights before the Supreme Court by Dr Áine Ryll

24 June

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Climate conversation webinar: Fossil fuel lock in - How much value is at risk? with Dr Celine McInerney

25 June

DRI

COVID-19 and contact tracing apps - What should Ireland do? Co-hosted with the Irish Council for Civil Liberties and Coffee & Circumvention

28 June

Publications

In conversation: William C. Campbell with Luke O’Neill and Dr Claire O’Connell

28 June

Publications

Online exhibition: ‘Catching the worm’

July–November

Publications

Online exhibition: ‘Judging Shaw’

July–December

Social Sciences Committee

Photo Competition and digital exhibition: ‘Snap that: Life through the lens of Ireland’s 18- to 25-year-olds’.

6 July

Physical Chemical Mathematical Sciences Committee

Prize Ceremony: The Kathleen Lonsdale RIA Chemistry Prize

9 July

DRI

RDA Ireland Meet the Experts: Joanna Finegan and Maria Ryan—‘Archiving the Irish web: saving Ireland’s online record’

20 July

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Opinion series: COVID-19 recovery and green growth: What is holding up implementation of the Paris Agreement? by Dr Matthew Kennedy

29 July

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Climate conversation webinar: Ireland’s future climate projections with Dr Paul Nolan

July 29

DRI

RDA Ireland Meet the Experts: Dr Natalie Harrower and Timea Biro –Data sharing for COVID-19 research: Recommendations and guidelines from the RDA COVID-19 working group

14 August

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Opinion series: Old data to the rescue: recovering weather observations to shed light on our past and present climate by Dr Ray McGrath

15 August

Foclóir Stairiúil na Gaeilge, Library

Heritage Week Siúlach Scéalach: Travelling with Mícheál Ó Cléirigh 1627-1629 Online exhibition and StoryMap in collaboration with RIA Library

15 August

Library

Heritage Week Exhibition: ‘Treasures of the Royal Irish Academy Library’.

15 August

Library

Heritage Week Exhibition: ‘Cairns, cromlechs and castles: Antiquarian sketches and drawings from the Royal Irish Academy Library’s collections’.

15–23 August

DRI

Online Heritage Week project: Why digitally preserving cultural heritage data matters

18 August

IHTA

Launch: Digital Atlas of Dungarvan. Digital Atlas, tutorials, StoryMap

26 August

DIFP

Launch: Teaching resource for second-level history: ‘The Emergency: Ireland in a world at war, 1939–45’, edited and compiled by Dr John Gibney and Dr Kate O’Malley

2 September

Publications

Exhibition: ‘A history of Ireland in 10 words’ dlr Lexicon, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin

7 September

Library

Launch: ‘Surveying Dublin. Discover the nineteenth-century Ordnance Survey Letters and drawings of Dublin’. Online interactive Story Map for Dublin Festival of History.

7 September

Library

Dublin Festival of History Lecture: ‘Stories of St James’s Gate - the gate, not the brewery’ by Dr Bernadette Cunningham

7 September

Library

Dublin Festival of History Lecture: “‘Made in Tallaght’”: An investigation of the origins of the early medieval Irish manuscript known as the Stowe Missal’ by Mr Lars Nooij

10 September

DRI

Project Launch: Amplifying change: A history of the Atlantic Philanthropies on the island of Ireland

14 September

Grants and Awards

Award ceremony: Michel Déon Prize

18 September

DRI

Webinar: Culture at risk: Digitally preserving the referendum on the 8th Amendment (Culture Night 2020)

18 September

Grangegorman Histories

Lecture: Uncovering Grangegorman Histories: Culture Night 2020

18 September

IHTA

Exhibition: ‘Vignettes from the Irish Historic Towns Atlas’: Culture Night.

18 September

Library

Virtual tour of Academy House: Culture Night.

22–24 September

DRI

Conference: #WeMissIPRES online mini-conference in anticipation of the 2020 iPres conference in Beijing

24 September

Publications

Lecture: A history of Ireland in 100 words

29 September

DRI

Webinar: Using FAIR data from galleries, libraries, archives and museums (GLAM) sector

30 September

DIFP

Dublin Festival of History Lecture: 'Treating shellshock and severed limbs: WWI veterans at Leopardstown and Blackrock hospitals', by Dr Eoin Kinsella

30 September

IHTA

Dublin Festival of History Lecture: 'Dublin 1847: maps and themes' by Mr Frank Cullen

October–November

DIFP

Launch: Redesigned and expanded DIFP website, incorporating the contents of DIFP Vols. I–IX on open access basis.

1 October

Publications

Exhibition: 'A history of Ireland in 10 words' Linen Hall Library, Belfast

2 October

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Climate conversation webinar: 'The potential role of negative emissions technologies in Ireland' with Professor Barry McMullin

2 October

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Opinion series: Creating sustainable futures through a circular economy by Ms Geraldine Ann Cusack

2 October

Grangegorman Histories

Discussion: Institutional experience of the 'Spanish' flu and COVID-19 in Ireland

6 October

IHTA

RIA Educational Resources series — 'IHTA in third-level education: printed and pdfs' by Ruth McManus.

12 October

IHTA

RIA Educational Resources series – 'IHTA in third-level education: digital mapping' by Dr Rachel Murphy.

16 October

Physical Chemical Mathematical Sciences Committee

Hamilton Day Lecture: 'The Cosmic Distance Ladder', by Professor Terence Tao

16 October

Grants and Awards

Prize Ceremony: Hamilton Prize in Mathematics

16 October

Foclóir Stairiúil na Gaeilge

Blog: 'Flash Fiction' i bhFoclóir Mháirtín Uí Chadhain – by Charles Dillon

22 October

DRI

Discussion: Archival activism: Community-centred approaches to archives. Organised in collaboration with National Archives, Ireland

24 October

IHTA

Film and conversation: 'Expressing landscape: mapping Dublin', Mr Vincent Woods and Dr Sarah Gearty. Part of International Literature Festival Dublin, Unfolding Maps series, dedicated to Tim Robinson.

29 October

DRI

Webinar: Publishing GLAM data as FAIR data

30 October

Publications

Discussion: Apple-tricks and Summer-set: Irish words and stories of Hallowe'en'

2 November

Publications

Shaw Day panel discussion: Shaw and legacy

4 November

Public Engagement

John Bell Day Lecture: 'Quantum Reality' by Eminent physicist, Professor Vlatko Vedral FInstP

17 November

IHTA

Lecture in honour of John Andrews: 'Man, maps and map history' by Dr Arnold Horner

18 November

DRI

Keynote address at 15th Munin Conference on Scholarly Publishing: 'Why should we care about FAIR?' by Dr Natalie Harrower

19 November

Climate Change and Environmental Sciences Committee

Opinion series: Adapting to a changing climate: How can we build resilience? by Dr Olga M Grant

20 November

Foclóir Stairiúil na Gaeilge

Presentation: Máirtín Ó Cadhain Foclóirí/Máirtín Ó Cadhain: Lexicographer – at TCD Symposium 'Máirtín Ó Cadhain 2020' by Dr Charles Dillon and Dr Colm Ó Cuaig

21 – 29 November

Library

Social Media Campaign: Explore Your Archive 2020

25 November

Foclóir Stairiúil na Gaeilge, Publications

Podcast: 'Nollaig, Craobh, Leabharlann' in conjunction with Museum of Literature Ireland on History of Ireland in 100 Words in collaboration with Cambridge University

26 November

IHTA

Lecture: 'Exploring the land indexes at the Registry of Deeds' by Mr Rob Goodbody with the Property Registration Authority. Part of Explore Your Archives week.

2 December

DRI

Webinar: Collecting in a crisis: Rapid response web and social media archiving. Organised in collaboration with National Archives, Ireland

3 December

Publications

Dublin Book Festival Conversation: Catching the Worm with William C. Campbell

3 December

IHTA

Illustrated lecture and interview: John Martin and William Fraher for the online release of IHTA, no. 30, Dungarvan/Dún Garbhán.

9–11 December

DRI

Event: Co-hosted Citizen science/Community participation data session at RDA 16th Plenary Meeting

10 December

Grants and Awards

Awards ceremony: US Ireland Research Innovation Awards

17 December

Life and Medical Sciences Committee

Podcast: Vaccine questions series: COVID-19 vaccine safety with Luke O'Neill

17 December

DRI

Webinar: DRI and the Europeana Common Culture Project: Sharing Irish Digital Data in a European Context

Publications

- *DIFP Vol. XII (1961–1965)*
- Release of online edition of *DIFP Vol. VIII (1945–1948)*
- Irish Times article: “‘Mobilise the poets’: the origins of Irish cultural diplomacy”, by Dr John Gibney.
- Pocket map: *Drogheda c. 1180 to c. 1900: from fortified boroughs to industrial port town* by Ned McHugh
- IHTA No 30 *Dungarvan/Dún Garbhán* by John Martin
- IHTA Online — Release of IHTA No. 27 *Youghal* by David Kelly and Tadhg O’Keeffe
- Peer-reviewed article by Anthony Harvey: ‘Haunting Vocabulary and Celtic Lexicography: Towards a Taxonomy of Ghost Words’, *Studia Celtica Posnaniensia* 4
- Publication online of headwords from *Foclóir Mháirtín Uí Chadhain*, in conjunction with *Iontaobhas Uí Chadhain*, Galway.
- Irish-language versions of three DIB lives; Michael Collins, Ernest O’Malley, Maud Gonne McBride, in collaboration with Fiontar-DCU, for *Seachtain na Gaeilge*
- RDA COVID-19 Recommendations and Guidelines on Data Sharing
- *Catching the Worm* by William C. Campbell
- *New Survey of Clare Island, Vol. 9: Birds* by Thomas C. Kelly

Journals:

- Irish Journal of Earth Sciences vol.38
- Irish Studies in International Affairs vol.31
- Biology and Environment 120B
- Journal: Eriu vol. 69
- Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy 120C: Climate and society in Ireland

Policy Reports

27 February

‘Insider perspectives on the 7 August 2019 approval session and key policy messages’ by Dr Frank McGovern, Environmental Protection Agency and Dr Eamon Haughey, GMIT

February

Royal Irish Academy Discussion Paper on science advice in Ireland and Europe

March

The EU structural and investment funds: contribution to UK research and investment: a briefing note by the British Academy, Royal Society of Edinburgh, Learned Society of Wales and the Royal Irish Academy

October

Roundtable note: Research funding and collaboration across the devolved administrations

Grants Raised and Sponsorship Awarded to the Academy *

Total: €1,125,684.72

Dictionary of Irish Biography

DIB Open Access Project
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade; Dublin
City Libraries

DRI

Core funding
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DRI

RDA
European Commission

DRI

Atlantic Philanthropies Archives Project
Atlantic Philanthropies

Foclóir Stairiúil na Gaeilge

Foclóir Stairiúil na Gaeilge
Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht,
Sport and Media

Irish Historic Towns Atlas (IHTA)

IHTA Cork
Cork City Council

Irish Historic Towns Atlas (IHTA)

IHTA Dublin Suburbs
Dublin City Council

Irish Historic Towns Atlas (IHTA)

IHTA Drogheda (pocket map)
Louth County Council

Communications

Women in Leadership Masterclass Series
Accenture

Communications

Michel Deon Prize 2020
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Communications

US-Ireland Research Innovation Awards
American Chamber of Commerce in Ireland

Programmes and Administration

Tírdhreach agus Teanga/Landscape and Language
conference
Colmcille (Foras na Gaeilge/Bòrd na Gàidhlig)

Programmes and Administration

Climate emergency event
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Programmes and Administration

Disestablishment of the Church of Ireland
conference
Church of Ireland

Programmes and Administration

Kathleen Lonsdale Prize
Henkel

Communications

Women in Leadership Masterclass Series
Accenture

Library

Irish History Online
Irish Historical Studies Publications

Programmes and Administration

Hamilton Day 2020
IBEC

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Irish Research Council

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Grant and Award Assessment Panels

Charlemont Assessment Panel (Humanities Section)

Jane Conroy, NUI Galway (*Chair*)
Mary O'Dowd, Queen's University Belfast
Diane Negra, University College Dublin
Tom Lodge, University of Limerick

Charlemont Assessment Panel (Science Section)

Jane Conroy, NUI Galway (*Chair*)
Catherine Godson, University College Dublin
Fergal J. O'Brien, RCSI
Noel Lowndes, NUI Galway

Eoin O'Mahony Assessment Panel

Mary O'Dowd, Queen's University Belfast (*Chair*)
Charles Lysaght
Mary E. Daly, University College Dublin
Peter Gray, Queen's University Belfast
John Morrill, University of Cambridge
Steven Ellis, NUI Galway

2020 Gold Medal in the Humanities Award Committee

Mary O'Dowd (Humanities Secretary), Queen's
University Belfast (*Chair*)
Alison Forrestal, NUI Galway
Jonathan Graham, Queen's University Belfast
Geraldine Sheridan, University of Limerick
Kathleen James-Chakraborty, University College
Dublin
Eunan O'Halpin, Trinity College Dublin
Greg Toner, Queen's University Belfast
Bernadette Whelan, University of Limerick
Colm Lennon, Maynooth University

2020 Gold Medal in the Life Sciences Award Committee

Catherine Godson (Science Secretary),
University College Dublin (*Chair*)
Bert Rima, Queen's University Belfast
Colm O'Morain, Trinity College Dublin
Cormac Taylor, University College Dublin
Dr Ena Prosser, Foundation Healthcare Partners
Celia Holland, Trinity College Dublin
Mark Crowe, University College Dublin,
Noel Lowndes, NUI Galway

2020 US-Ireland Research Innovation Awards assessment panel

Peter McHugh, NUI Galway (*Chair*)
Mr Dick Ahlstrom, The Irish Times
Dr Michaela Blott, Xilinx
Mr John Cunningham, Morgan McKinley
Mr Damien Flanagan, KPMG
Dr Carol Gibbons, Enterprise Ireland
Mr Leonard Hobbs, Trinity College Dublin
Ms Yvonne Kennedy, Ulster Bank
Dr Jim McGrath, DePuy Synthes
Brian Norton, TU Dublin
Dr John O'Dea, Palliare
Luke O'Neill, Trinity College Dublin
Dr Ena Prosser, Foundation Healthcare Partners

Grants awarded in 2020

Archaeology Research Excavation Grants

Gabriel Cooney

Eagle's Nest, Lambay post-excavation analysis and publication • €22,716

Dr Steve Davis

Hill of Ward Archaeological Project – final post excavation • €5,784

Dr Marion Dowd

Full and Final publication of Archaeological Excavations at Glencurran Cave, Co. Clare (2004-2009) • €12,500

Dr Alan Hawkes

The Rathcoran Hillfort Project post-ex • €8,280

Dr Brendan O'Neill

Moynagh Lough Metalworking: A detailed scientific examination of early medieval non-ferrous crafts • €8,128

Mr Dave Pollock

Gallows Hill investigation • €15,320

Dr Michael Potterton

Moynagh Lough project • €20,400

Archaeology Research Grants

Dr Gerard Barrett

Northern Ireland's Round Towers (NIRT): Establishing a Chronology and Technological Understanding through Mortar • €5,291

Dr Colm Donnelly

A Community Archaeology Project at Killyloughran, Creggan, South Armagh • €1,557

Mr Paul Duffy

Quarrying the past: Petrographic analysis of Dublin's medieval building stone • €1,600

Ms Nikolah Gilligan

Environmental assessment of samples from excavations at Linn Duachail • €1,000

Dr Meriel McClatchie

A new scientific approach to determine agricultural management strategies in medieval Ireland • €2,300

George Sevastopulo

The Story of the Stones – the Geological Narrative of the Dowth Hall Passage Tomb • €1,107

Archaeology C14 Radiocarbon Dates Scheme (Spring)

Mr Michael Lynch

Doolin Storm Beach, Co. Clare
3 dates

Dr Marion Dowd

Glencurran Cavem Co. Clare
5 dates

Archaeology C14 Radiocarbon Dates Scheme (Autumn)

Dr Dirk Brandherm

Dating of system of perimeter banks on Knocknashee hill, Co. Sligo
2 dates

Mr Matthew Stout

Beaubec research excavations, Co. Meath
1 date

Mr Eoin Halpin

Inter-tidal timber stake row, Dugort beach, Achill Island
1 date

Directed Research in World Heritage Sites

Elizabeth Shee Twohig

Recording hitherto neglected carvings and inscriptions at Newgrange, County Meath • €4,167

Mr Matthew Stout

Publication of the Stalleen, Co. Meath excavation report • €7,000

Charlemont Grants in Humanities

Dr Dawn Walsh (University College Dublin)
Brexit Witness project: Negotiating the Northern Ireland/Ireland dimension of the UK's withdrawal from the EU, 2016-2020 • €2,500

Dr Amina Adanan (Maynooth University)
What can the United Nations War Crimes Commission teach us about the principle universal jurisdiction today • €2,407

Dr Alexander Held (Trinity College Dublin)
Housing and Support for Right-wing Populism • €2,500

Dr Bernd Jutte (University College Dublin)
Overcoming Copyright Barriers to Online Teaching and Learning post-COVID • €1,820

Dr Caterina Santi (University College Cork)
Awareness towards Climate Change and Financial Markets in European Regions • €2,150

Dr Molly Pucci (Trinity College Dublin)
The Radical Left, the Avant Garde, and the Rise of Dictatorship in Interwar Europe • €1,940

Dr David Brown (Trinity College Dublin)
Following the Money – financing England's colonial expansion during the reign of Charles II • €1,470

Dr Gene Carolan (Technological University Dublin)
Is Virtual Reality the New Normal? Video Games as a Vehicle for Research, Teaching & Learning • €1,349

Dr Jennifer Schweppe (University of Limerick)

Hate Crime on the Two Islands • €500

Charlemont Grants in Sciences

Dr Laura Farina (NUI Galway)
Accurate temperature-dependent thermal characterization of phantoms for Quality Assurance of hyperthermia systems used in clinic • €2,200

Dr Claire Harnett (University College Dublin)
Combining analogue and computational models to investigate lava spine extrusion • €2,245

Dr Rebecca Rolfe (Trinity College Dublin)
Generation of 3D tissue constructs for repair of tendon and ligament rupture, incorporating genetic engineering via nanoparticle delivery • €2,500

Dr Janosch Heller (Dublin City University)
Light-sheet microscopy to uncover changes in the glymphatic system in epilepsy • €2,100

Dr Anusha Mohan (Trinity College Dublin)
Restoring balance between top-down and bottom-up neural pathways – A treatment for chronic tinnitus • €2,242

Dr Xingqi Zhang (University College Dublin)
Intelligent Planning of Emerging Wireless Technologies in Railway Transportation Systems • €2,250

Members

New Members elected March 2020

Pavel Baranov
Steven Bell
Niamh Brennan
David Collings
Marie Thérèse Cowan
Enrico dal Lago
J.C. Seamus Davis
Chris Elliott
Robert J. Forster
Paul Michael Garrett
Cecily Kelleher
Margaret Kelleher
Deirdre Madden
Christopher Marsh
Frank McDermott
Máire Ní Annracháin
Fintan O'Toole
Nabeel Riza
Philipp Rosemann
Afshin Samali
Karen E. Till
Ben Tonra
Miles Turner

New Honorary Members elected November 2020

Joseph Bergin
Deirdre M. Curtin
Anne E. Magurran
Patrick Sims-Williams

Regional meetings and events for Members

15 January	Members' Seminar at Academy House: Christopher McCrudden, 'Translating dignity: the drafting of the Preamble to the Irish Constitution'
15 February	Members' Seminar at Academy House: MHB Hayes, 'Issues around food in the future'
16 March	Stated General Meeting
22 May	Admittance Day
30 November	Stated General Meeting

Members' Deaths Reported

Breandán Ó Madagáin

Emeritus Professor of Irish, NUI Galway
Born: 10 February 1932
Elected: 1992
Died: 9 January 2020

Denis O'Sullivan

Emeritus Professor of Cosmic Physics
Born: 9 August 1938
Elected: 2008
Died: 27 February 2020

Richard Sharpe

Professor of Diplomatic, Oxford
Born: 17 February 1954
Elected: 2018
Died: 21 March 2020
Honorary member

Tim Robinson Writer

Born: 1935
Elected: 2010
Died: 3 April 2020

Ingrid Victoria Allen

Professor Emerita of Neuropathology
Born: 30 June 1932
Elected: 1993
Died: 21 April 2020

Eavan Boland

Professor, Stanford University
Born: 24 September 1944
Elected: 2018
Died: 27 April 2020

Thomas P. Hardiman

Chairman, Telegael Media Group
Born: 16 March 1929
Elected: 1980
Died: 2 May 2020

Peter Froggatt

Former President and Vice-Chancellor, QUB
Born: 12 June 1928
Elected: 1978
Died: 3 May 2020

Ronan O'Regan

Retired Professor of Physiology and Histology, UCD
Born: 19 November 1937
Elected: 1990
Died: 8 July 2020

Bernard Bailyn

Professor, Harvard University
Born: 9 September 1922
Elected: 2011
Died: 7 August 2020
Honorary member

James Walters

Emeritus Professor of Theoretical Physics, QUB
Born: 5 July 1944
Elected: 2003
Died: 6 September 2020

John Morton Coles

Professor of European History, University of Cambridge
Born: 18 January 1924
Elected: 2005
Died: 14 October 2020
Honorary Member

Aidan Clarke

Retired Professor of Modern History, TCD, Former PRIA
Born: 2 May 1933
Elected: 1982
Died: 18 December 2020

W. Nial Osborough

Emeritus Professor of Law, UCD
Born: 13 February 1939
Elected: 2003
Died: 29 December 2020

Gordon Leslie Herries Davies

Retired Professor of Geography, TCD
Born: 18 January 1924
Elected: 1979
Died: 22 February 2019

Charles Hepworth Holland

Emeritus FTCD, Former Professor of Geology
and Mineralogy, TCD

Born: 30 June 1923

Elected: 1971

Died: 26 December 2019

Edward Jauneau

Professor, Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies,
University of Toronto

Born: 14 August 1924

Elected: 1991

Died: 10 December 2019

Brendan O'Donoghue

Former Secretary General, Department of the
Environment and retired Director, National
Library of Ireland

Born: 19 September 1942

Elected: 2001

Died: 4 September 2019

Barbara Wright

Emerita Professor of French Literature, TCD

On Council and in Office: 1990–91, VP 1991–92,
1998–2000, SVP 2000–01, 2001–02, 2007–10

Born: 8 March 1935

Elected: 1988

Died: 14 December 2019

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Statement of Income and Expenditure

Year ended 31 December

	Notes	2019 €	2018 €
INCOME			
Oireachtas grants	3(a)	3,431,500	3,221,500
Funding and other income	3(b)	2,373,242	2,171,734
Income released in the period	15	102,042	1,376,557
Deferred pension funding	20	731,000	584,000
		<u>6,637,784</u>	<u>7,353,791</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Staff costs	4	4,990,389	5,042,224
Accommodation and establishment	5	256,198	211,583
General administration	6	473,942	522,052
Publication costs	7	189,986	227,516
Conference and meeting expenses	8	94,806	199,342
Book purchases and international subscriptions	9	59,468	81,353
Grants and awards		158,305	169,719
Depreciation	10	33,622	32,478
		<u>6,256,716</u>	<u>6,486,267</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		381,068	867,524
Unrealised gains / (loss) on investments	11	491,898	(113,978)
Transfer from Capital Account	16	21,842	23,764
Transfer (to) / (from) Endowment Funds	17	(366,884)	11,606
Transfer from / (to) Restricted Reserves		23,293	(505,762)
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		551,217	283,154

All income and expenditure for the year relates to continuing activities at the reporting date.
The Statement of Cash Flows and notes 1 to 22 form part of these financial statements.



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Date 18/12/2020

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Statement of Financial Position

Year ended 31 December

	Notes	2019 €	2018 €
FIXED ASSETS			
Property, Plant & Equipment	10	30,563	52,405
Heritage assets	10	32,500	20,000
Funds and Projects Financial assets	11	4,374,788	3,812,175
		<u>4,437,851</u>	<u>3,884,580</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventory	12	184,136	167,194
Receivables	13	76,705	63,427
Cash at bank and in hand		1,290,619	1,398,292
		<u>1,551,461</u>	<u>1,628,913</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES (amounts falling due within one year)			
Payables	14	(366,638)	(661,742)
Deferred income	15	(1,593,362)	(1,695,405)
		<u>(1,960,000)</u>	<u>(2,357,147)</u>
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(408,539)	(728,234)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES BEFORE PENSIONS			
		<u>4,029,312</u>	<u>3,156,346</u>
Deferred pension funding asset	20	28,356,000	23,375,000
Funded Scheme Assets	20	—	2,019,000
Pension Liabilities	20	(28,356,000)	(25,394,000)
NET ASSETS		<u>4,029,312</u>	<u>3,156,346</u>
FINANCED BY:			
Capital account	16	30,563	52,405
Endowment funds - Expendable	17	2,383,867	2,029,483
Endowment funds - Permanent	17	32,500	20,000
Restricted Reserve		482,469	505,762
Retained Revenue Reserve		1,099,913	548,696
		<u>4,029,312</u>	<u>3,156,346</u>

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