



National Biodiversity Conference

Schedule

Conference Themes:

Engagement: Learning from conservation success

Planning for the Future

Investing in Nature

Day 1

Opening Plenary

Welcome:	Ciaran O’Keeffe (National Parks and Wildlife Service)
Launch:	Minister Josepha Madigan, TD
Keynote:	Ella McSweeney (Journalist)
Keynote:	John Fitzgerald (Climate Change Advisory Council)
Keynote:	Jane Stout (Irish Forum on Natural Capital)
Awards:	Presentation of Together for Biodiversity Awards <i>By Ms Josepha Madigan, Minister of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht. Sponsored by Dublin Port Company and hosted by the Irish Wildlife Trust</i>

Time

9:00
9:10
9:20
9:30
9:40
9:50
10:25

Day 2

Opening Plenary

Welcome:	Katherine Licken (Dept. Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht)
Global:	Inger Andersen (International Union for Conservation of Nature)
Regional:	Humberto Delgado Rosa (European Commission)
National:	Michael Ewing (Irish Environmental Network)
Horizons:	Tara Shine (Change By Degrees)
Keynote:	President Michael D. Higgins
Film:	Short documentary on conservation in Ireland <i>sponsored by Coillte</i>

Break

10:20 | 10:30

Break

Parallel Session 1

How can we engage communities to lead on conservation?	How is climate change impacting on biodiversity?	How can we value ecosystem services? (Marine)
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11:00

Parallel Session 4

How can we engage across sectors for biodiversity?	How can we improve biodiversity on farm land?	How can we value ecosystem services? (Land & Rivers)
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Parallel Session 2

How can we engage farmers to conserve biodiversity?	How can we manage river catchments for biodiversity?	How are we financing biodiversity conservation?
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12:15

Parallel Session 5

How can we engage businesses with biodiversity conservation?	How can we plan for climate adaptation?	How do Payments for Ecosystem Services work?
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Lunch

13:30

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Parallel Session 3

How can we engage young people with biodiversity?	How can biodiversity be better integrated in agricultural policy?	How do we account for natural capital and biodiversity?
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14:30

Parallel Session 6

How can we engage the public through citizen science?	How can we use nature-based solutions in river catchments?	How should we be investing in nature? Panel Discussion
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Break

15:30

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Closing Plenary

Debate:	Bright Ideas for Conservation: What’s the one thing we need to do? <i>With Padraic Fogarty, Éanna Ní Lamhna, John Gibbons, Yvonne Buckley & James Moran</i>	16:00
Sum Up:	Micheál Ó Cinnéide (Irish Forum on Natural Capital)	17:00
Close:	Ciaran O’Keeffe (National Parks and Wildlife Service)	17:10

Join us for a drinks reception in Dublin Castle

17:30

Closing Plenary

Panel:	New Horizons for Nature: What have we learned? <i>With Eugenie Regan, Jane Stout, John Fitzgerald, Ella McSweeney & Ciaran O’Keeffe</i>
Sum Up:	Yvonne Buckley (Biodiversity Forum & Trinity College Dublin)
20 Seeds:	Announcement by Minister Josepha Madigan, TD
Close:	Ciaran O’Keeffe (National Parks and Wildlife Service)

Ends