

**Agenda**

**Weekend 2: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

**Topic: The Eighth Amendment of the Constitution**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January**

9.30	Private Assembly Business	Private
10.15	Welcome from the Chairperson	Public
10.30	<b>Session 1- Foetal Abnormalities- Medical Issues</b> Dr. Peter McParland- National Maternity Hospital Dr. Adrienne Foran- Rotunda and Temple St Children's Hospital	Public
11.05	<b>Session 2- Legal Issues</b> Eileen Barrington- Senior Counsel- Fatal Foetal Abnormalities in Irish Law Dr. Noelle Higgins- Maynooth University - International Human Rights Law and Fatal Foetal Abnormalities	Public
11.25	Coffee	Private
11.40	Roundtable Discussions	Private
12.25	Q&A and feedback from Roundtable Discussions	Public
13.15	Lunch	Private
14.30	<b>Ethical Perspectives- the Moral Status of the Unborn/ Foetus</b> Dr. Helen Watt- Anscombe Bioethics Centre Prof Bobbie Farsides- Brighton and Sussex Medical School	Public
15.00	Roundtable Discussions	Private
15.45	Coffee	Private
16.00	Q&A and feedback from Roundtable Discussions	Public
16.45	Session Conclusion by the Chair	Public

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

9.30	Welcome from the Chair	Public
9.35	<b>How laws are made and changed</b> Dr. David Kenny- Trinity College Dublin	Public
9.50	Roundtable Discussion/ Group Work Exercise	Private
10.40	Individual Reflective Exercise	Private
10.50	Coffee	Private
11.20	Feedback from Reflective Exercise	Public
11.30	Roundtable brainstorming on the issues in respect of which recommendations may have to be considered by the Assembly	Private
12.30	Feedback from Roundtable Discussion	Public
13.00	Conclusion and Lunch	