

Weekend 11: 14th and 15th April 2018

Topic: Fixed Term Parliaments

Saturday 14th April

09.15	Private Session	Private
09.30	Opening Address by the Chair	Public
09.45	Session 1: Explanation of current law and practice on the summoning and dissolving of Dáil and Seanad Éireann Dr. Eoin Daly, NUI Galway	Public
10.05	Session 2: History of political practice in Ireland on the summoning and dissolving of Dáil and Seanad Éireann Dr. Eoin O'Malley, DCU	Public
10.25	Roundtable Discussion	
10.50	Q&A	
11.15	Coffee	Private
11.30	Session 3: Fixed Term Parliaments- experience and practice in other jurisdictions Prof. Petra Schleiter, Oxford	Public
12.00	Session 4: Fixed Term Parliaments: What if they were introduced in Ireland? Pros and cons, implications and issues arising. Dr. Rory Costello, University of Limerick	Public
12.20	Round Table Discussion including discussion on possible issues arising for the Assembly's recommendations	Private
13.00	Q&A	Public
13.30	Lunch	Private
14.45	Presentation of Draft Ballot Paper	Public
15.00	Roundtable Discussion	Private



15.40	Feedback and Q&A from members	Public	
16.30	Coffee	Private	
16.45	Finalisation and agreement on wording of Ballot Paper including explanation of any agreed amendments	Public	
17.30	Conclusion	Public	
Sunday 15 th April			
10.00	Welcome from the Chair and presentation of final ballot paper as agreed by Members	Public	
10.30	Voting	Public	
11.00	Coffee Counting of the votes	Private	
12.15	Announcement of results, Concluding remarks and Reflections from the Chair	Public	
12.45	Lunch	Private	