

Citizens' Assembly on Biodiversity Loss

24th - 25th September 2022

Saturday 24th September

From 8 a.m. Registration, coffee

The Import of the Work Ahead

- 8:45 a.m. Members introduce themselves at their roundtables
- 9.15 a.m. Introduction by the Chairperson, Aoibhinn Ní Shúilleabháin**
- 9.30 a.m. Being a Good Ancestor** – Dr Roman Krznaric
- 9.45 a.m. Video from Children & Young People's Assembly**
- 9.50 a.m. Roundtable discussion (*private session*)
- 10.10 a.m. Q&A

Biodiversity and Biodiversity Decline

- 10.25 a.m. Ecology - A Brief Introduction to Ecological Concepts & Main Threats** – Prof. Tasman Crowe
- 10.40 a.m. Climate Change Policy & Biodiversity** – Dr Laura Burke, Environmental Protection Agency
- 10.55 a.m. Roundtable discussion (*private session*)
- 11.25 a.m. Q&A
- 11.40 a.m. Coffee
- 12 noon Biodiversity Decline in Ireland: the Evidence** – Liam Lysaght, National Biodiversity Data Centre. *Facts and figures from the data we have and data that we don't have, but need.*
- 12.15 p.m. How can the Assembly approach this large and complex topic?** – Micheál Ó Cinnéide – *Various approaches that could be taken to Addressing Biodiversity Decline. The sectoral approach we are taking and why.*
- 12.30 p.m. Roundtable discussion (*private session*)
- 1 p.m. Q&A

1.15 – 2.15 p.m. Lunch

Ireland's Biodiversity Obligations and Governance

- 2.15 p.m.** Ireland's EU & other international obligations – Mícheál Ó Broin
- 2.30 p.m.** Mapping Biodiversity Governance in Ireland – Dr Mary Dobbs
- 2.45 p.m. Roundtable discussion (*private session*)
- 3.15 p.m. Q&A
- 3.30 p.m. Coffee

Who is working to conserve and highlight Biodiversity in Ireland?

- 3.45 p.m.** Video of Community/Voluntary Sector working with Biodiversity
- 3.55 p.m.** Ireland's Biodiversity NGOs – Irish Environmental Network
- 4.15 p.m. Roundtable discussion (*private session*)
- 4.45 p.m. Q&A
- 5 p.m.** Conclusion by Chair

Sunday 25th September

- 9 a.m.** Introduction & Plenary feedback session from yesterday's roundtable discussions

National Policies and Implementation around Biodiversity

- 10 a.m.** Protected Sites & Species, Habitats Directive, Birds Directive, the National Biodiversity Plan update – Andy Bleasedale, National Parks and Wildlife Service
- 10.15 a.m.** The practical side of implementing, monitoring & enforcing – Shirley Clerkin, Heritage Officer, Monaghan Co. Council
- 10.30 a.m. Roundtable discussion (*private session*)
- 11 a.m. Q&A
- 11.15 a.m. Coffee

Resourcing the state's response to the challenge of biodiversity loss

- 11.30 a.m.** How National Budget Policy Works - Eddie Casey, Irish Fiscal Advisory Council
- 11.45 a.m.** Doughnut Economics - Kate Raworth, Author
- 12 noon Roundtable discussion
- 12.30 p.m. Q&A
- 12.45 p.m. Completion of Evaluation Surveys
- 12.55 p.m.** Conclusion by Chairperson