

Speakers Grid No 16 ILHS 2nd International Conference September 14-17 2023

VENUE: Liberty Hall Theatre.

PS 1-11 Plenary Sessions;

S1-20= Sessions

Thursday 14 September 2023 14.30 to 21.00 Liberty Hall Theatre , Eden Quay, Dublin 1. [Friendship](#)

Registration: From 12.00 to 14.15

14.30 Introduction and welcome to Conference 2023, Shay Cody, President ILHS

14.40-15.20 **PS 1** Marcel van der Linden, International Institute for Social History Amsterdam.:
'Labour, class and labour history since 1980' Chair Jack McGinley, ILHS

15.30-17.10 **PS 2 Decade of Centenaries presentation on 1923** ' The admission of the new State into The League of Nations and membership of The International Labour Organisation. Patricia O'Donovan and Gerry Finnegan. External Chair invited (awaiting response)

17.15-17.35 Tea/Coffee break

17.40 –18.50 **S 1** - Labour Historiography – Irish labour history

Mike Mecham: 'Two sides of the same coin? Connolly & Walker reassessed'

Christopher J V Loughlin: 'Expanding Labour: The Irish New Wave & the New Global Labour History'

Olivier Coquelin: 'Soviets & Workers Councils in Ireland & Europe, 1917-23: A Comparative Study'.

Chair: Francis Devine

18.55 -19.25 , **S 2** John Cunningham'- 'Towards a labour history of the Great Famine' –Chair: Carla King

19.30 -20.15 Launch of ILHS Fiftieth Anniversary Essays *Labour History in Irish History* edited by John Cunningham, Galway University, Francis Devine(SIPTU College) & Sonja Tiernan(Royal Irish Academy), published by Umiskin Press in association with the ILHS. Bean an Ti. **Catriona Crowe.**

Followed by reception in Cois Life Bar & Connolly Room

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Friday, 15 September 09.00 19.00 Venue: Liberty Hall Theatre

Continuing Registration 08.30-08.55

9.00-9.30 **S 3** – 'To the Linen Slaves of Belfast': The Plight and flight of the Millies, 1800-1997'
Rebecca Waterson (UU).Chair: Donal O Drisceoil

9.35-10.15 **PS 3** – Sarah-Anne Buckley, GU, '*Gender, Class & Labour History Since 1980*' Chair Moira Leydon, ILHS Vice President/Assistant General Secretary ASTI

10.20-11.20 **S 4** – Labour Biography Charles Callan, **Christy Ferguson**; Margaret Ward 'From Textiles to human rights – reflections on women and trade unions in Northern Ireland' Chair: Mags O'Brien (ILHS/SIPTU)

11.25 -12.55 **PS 4 Panel – Oral History:** ' Ida Milne': **Labour in the Newspaper Industry** – 'Joe Mooney' **Dockers & their Work Practices;** ' Tim Strangleman ' **The Guinness Park Royal Brewery, London.** Chair- Mary Muldowney, ILHS/DCC

13.00 -13.45 Lunch in Liberty Hall

13.50-14.55 PS 5 *'Industrial relations, bargaining, wages & labour law'*

'Peter Murray' **'Americanisation & the reshaping of Irelands Organised labour Movement'**

'Tom Turner' –**'Political Change, Ideology & Influences in Attitudes to State Ownership of Business in Ireland'** Chair:

15.00-16.00 S 5 –T U's History Public & Private

'Luke Dineen'- **Craft Unions**; 'Martin Maguire' -**Civil & Public Service Unions'**

'Therese Caherty'-**The Irish Women Workers Union -An Activist's Perspective'**

Chair: **Pat Bolger** (ILHS/Forsa)

16.10 Film Session 1 –**'Jim Connell & the Red Flag', Jim O'Brien, Meath Council of Trade Unions**

17.15-17.24 Proceed to Liberty Hall Theatre to be seated. N.B. Delegates to be seated by 17.25 (no admission after this time as per protocol)

17.30-19.00 Evening Session (Includes invitees from IAIR).

PS 6 – **47th Countess Markievicz Memorial Lecture** in conjunction with the Irish Association of Industrial Relations (IAIR) 'awaiting formal confirmation of our guest speaker' **'After Hobsbawm (1980) - Globalisation, Europe, and the Irish Working Class'**

Chair/Moderator: **Michelle O'Sullivan** President IAIR .

When this session ends all attendees will wait for 5 minutes in the Theatre until the Patron's party has exited the Auditorium, again as per protocol.

Civic Reception to be confirmed

Sunday 17 September 10.30 to 16.00 .

Liberty Hall Theatre

10.00-10.30 Film Session 2 Peadar O' Donnell 'At the Mill' with Sean Morrisey

10.40-11.30 S 18 – **Social Europe & Its Future** Sean Byers, Trademark Chair:

11.30-12.00 S 19 F 5 – **'Jer O'Leary – the Bard of Drumcondra' with Francis Devine**

12.00 - 13.00 S 20 – **Marxism & the Future of Socialism**; Bernd Buehlbaecher: **'Back to the Future – Class & Its Distinction in 20th Century Intellectual Thinking'**; Eugene Mc Cartan **retired G.S.CPI** ; Helena Sheehan DCU. Chair: **Oisín O Drisceoil** **Light Lunch 13.00 -13.25 Connolly Room.**

13.30-14.30 PS 10 – **Social Dialogue Discussion** Kevin Callinan **ICTU** and Danny Mc Coy **IBEC** Chair:

14.30-16.00 PS 11 – **Labour History in the Twenty First Century** Panel: Emmet O'Connor; Tish Gibbons; Mike Mecham, Henry Patterson . Chair **Shay Cody**

16.20 Formal Closure of International Conference and votes of thanks.