

**IRELAND – IBERIA & IBERO-AMERICA.
HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES MEETING
23rd October 2023.**

A Scientific Symposium to mark Spain's Presidency of the Council of the European Union

**Embassy of Spain
AECID**

Academic coordinator: Dr. Declan M. Downey, RAH, (University College Dublin).

09.55 Welcome by H.E. Sñr. Ion de la Riva, Ambassador of Spain.

10.00-12.00 First Panel: HISTORICAL CONNECTIONS

Lecture I: Ireland and the Atlantic-Iberian world: an historical overview.

Dr. Declan M. Downey, Royal Academy of History Madrid & University College Dublin.

Lecture II: Celtic roots common to Spain and Ireland.

Prof. Ramón Sainero, Spanish Royal Academy of History Madrid & Director of the Spanish Institute of Celtic Studies.

Lecture III: The influence of the Irish political reformer Daniel O'Connell on Spanish and Ibero-American liberalism.

Prof. Emeritus Maurice J. Bric, Royal Irish Academy & University College Dublin.

12.00-12.10 Questions & Answers Session

12.10 – 13.10 *Drinks and tapas*

13.10-16.15 Second Panel: CONTEMPORARY CONNECTIONS

Lecture IV: 'Unified by an image': W. B. Yeats, Juan Ramón Jiménez and the Ibero-American connection

Dr. Nuria de Cos Lara, University of Dublin, Trinity College

Lecture V: Ireland & Cuba: entangled histories

Dr. Margaret Brehony, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Global Research Fellow at the University of Galway and Concordia University, Montreal

Lecture VI: ETA and IRA terrorism and the fight against terrorism in the Basque Country and Northern Ireland.

Sñr. Íñigo Gurruchaga, Journalist and London Correspondent for the Basque newspaper, *El Correo*

15.10-15.20 Question & Answers Session

15.20-16.15 *Screening of the documentary "Red Hugh O'Donnell: The Last Journey" by Carlos Burgos.* President of the Hispano-Irish Association.

Each lecture is allocated 40 min. duration only, and 10 min. is allocated for each session of Q&As.

