



KERRY DEAF RESOURCE CENTRE

KDRC provides services to Deaf and hard of hearing people at county level and contributes to national & international issues of equality, access and rights.

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THANK YOU TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NETWORK FOR INVITE TO PPN MEETING.



Patti Canne, Senator John Dolan & Willie White

We would like to thank Caroline Toal & the Public Participation Network (PPN) for inviting our service to their PPN meeting during the week in Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee

This event was held in conjunction with the Disability Federation of Ireland (DFI). PPN allows local authorities to connect with community groups across Ireland. For more info on PPN, go to: <http://drdc.gov.ie/community/public-participation-networks/>

IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE ACT (ISL) 2017- LECTURE IN UCC.



The ISS21 Disability and Mental Health research cluster is delighted to host the following seminar:

The Bumpy Journey towards the Irish Sign Language Act

Dr John Bosco Conama
(Centre for Deaf Studies, Trinity College Dublin)

1-2pm, Friday 9th March 2018
Brookfield Health Sciences Complex, G06
University College Cork

This event will take place as part of UCC Equality Week, March 6th - 9th 2018

ISL-English interpretation will be available

Dr John Bosco Conama will be giving a presentation on **'The Bumpy Journey towards the Irish Sign Language Act'** in Cork on Friday, the 9th of March 2018.

It will take place in the Brookfield Health Sciences Complex, G06, College Road, University College Cork.

The seminar is being hosted by the ISS21 Disability & Mental Health research cluster. This event will take place as part of UCC Equality Week (March 6th-9th). ISL-English interpretation will be provided.

To register a free place, go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-bumpy-journey-towards-the-irish-sign-language-act-tickets-43338202731>

The ISL Act 2017 was passed into law on 24th December 2017. Irish Sign Language (ISL) is now officially designated as a native and independent language in the Republic of Ireland. Dr John Bosco Conama will chart the progress of the ISL recognition campaign & explore some critical considerations for language rights activism.

Dr John Bosco Conama is involved in the Centre for Deaf Studies in University of Dublin, Trinity College. His doctorate focused on equality issues affecting Deaf communities and his research interests are: Equality and social policy issues affecting Irish & international Deaf communities. He also teaches Deaf studies-related modules & is on the World Federation of the Deaf Expert Group on Sign Language & Deaf Studies.