



# Programme

Printworks Conference Centre, Dublin Castle, 16-17 July 2015

## THURSDAY, 16 JULY

08.45 – 09.30 Arrival of participants and registration

09.30-12.30

**Opening Session:**

**Theme: The Landscape for Budget 2016**

**Overall Chair – Professor Alan Barrett**

Venue: Plenary Hall

Session will be live streamed

09.30

**Welcoming remarks**

An Taoiseach, Enda Kenny TD

An Tánaiste, Joan Burton TD

09.45

**Understanding the Context: Economic Perspectives**

**Macroeconomic Outlook**

David Duffy, Economic and Social Research Institute

**EU Fiscal Rules**

Professor John McHale, Irish Fiscal Advisory Council

10.05

**Discussion facilitated by overall Chair**



**12.30 – 14.00                      Lunch (Printworks, Lobby)**

<b>14.00-17.30</b>	<b><u>Parallel Breakout Sessions</u></b>
	Venues: Printworks / Bedford Suite / Conference Centre
14.00-15.30	Parallel Breakout Sessions commence (8)
15.30-16.00	Coffee Break
16.00-17.30	Parallel Breakout Sessions conclude (8)

	<b>Parallel Breakout Sessions - Themes</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Managing competing economic and social priorities for a fair society</b> <i>Chair:</i> Tánaiste and Minister for Social Protection, Joan Burton TD <i>Rapporteur:</i> Donal de Buitleir
<b>2</b>	<b>Equity and Economic Growth in Tax Policy</b> <i>Chair:</i> Minister for Finance, Michael Noonan TD <i>Rapporteur:</i> Josephine Feehily
<b>3</b>	<b>Putting people first: economic and fiscal policy for our demographic outlook</b> <i>Chair:</i> Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Brendan Howlin TD <i>Rapporteur:</i> Seamus Coffey



4	<b>Structural and labour market reform: opportunities for economic growth</b> <i>Chair:</i> Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation, Richard Bruton TD <i>Rapporteur:</i> Julie O'Neill
5	<b>Productivity and skills: the drivers for better living standards</b> <i>Chair:</i> Minister for Education and Skills, Jan O'Sullivan TD <i>Rapporteur:</i> Joe O'Toole
6	<b>Regional and rural development: economic recovery for the whole country</b> <i>Chair:</i> Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine and for Defence, Simon Coveney TD <i>Rapporteur:</i> Dr. Rory O'Donnell
7	<b>Working for the best, preparing for the worst: challenges to our economic and fiscal development</b> <i>Chair:</i> Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, Alan Kelly, TD <i>Rapporteur:</i> Dr. Stephen Kinsella
8	<b>Being a small open economy: charting our path in a changing global environment</b> <i>Chair:</i> Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport, Paschal Donohoe TD <i>Rapporteur:</i> Margot Slattery

## FRIDAY, 17 JULY

08.30-09.00      Arrival of participants

09.00-10.45

### Plenary Session

**Theme: Feedback from Breakout Sessions**

**Overall Chair – Professor Alan Barrett**



*Session will be live streamed*

09.00 Reports from rapporteurs on breakout sessions

09.45 Discussion of emerging themes

**10.45 – 11.15 Coffee break**

**11.15-12.45**

**Closing Plenary Session**

**Theme: Policy Reflections**

**Overall Chair – Professor Alan Barrett**

*Session will be live streamed*

11.15 **Policy reflections building on earlier plenary discussion**

12.15 **Chair's summary**

12.30 **Closing remarks**

Minister for Finance, Michael Noonan TD

Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Brendan Howlin TD

**12.45-14.00 Lunch (Printworks, Lobby)**

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