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### Ireland and the Colonies, 1775-1947:

### Friendships, Alliances, Resistances

Day 1, Tue 3 June

**10.00 Onwards tea/coffee (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

**11.00 -11.10 Welcome**

**11.10 – 12.40 Panel 1: Empire, Nation and Identity (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

Peter Ludlow (Holy Cross Historical Trust, Halifax), "Residing in this distant portion of the great empire": The Irish in Imperial Halifax, Nova Scotia

Timothy G. McMahon (Marquette University), The Making of Ireland's Spiritual Empire: The early years of the Society of African Missions

Dr Kate O'Malley (Royal Irish Academy), Post independent Ireland and India: from radicals to statesmen

**12.40 – 13.15 Lunch**

**13.15- 14.25 pm. Panel 2: The Business of Empire (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

Orla Power (Trinity College Dublin), Irish merchants and sugar planters on French Saint Domingue, c.1790.

Jennifer Regan Lefebvre (Trinity College Connecticut), John Bull's Other Vineyard: The Irish in the colonial wine Industry, c.1870-1900

**14.25-14.35 Break**

**14.35-15.45 Panel 3: Print Cultures of Empire (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

Martyn Powell (University of Aberystwyth), 'The White Slave Trade': Print culture and Irish emigration to America in the late-eighteenth century

Daniel Sanjiv Roberts (QUB), The Lunar-‘Teague’ of *The Calcutta Gazette*: Charles Johnston in India

**15.45 – 16.45 Tea/Coffee and Inauguration by guest of honour**

**16.45 – 18.00 Plenary 1 (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

Gauri Viswanathan (Columbia University), Redrawing National Boundaries: Home Rule and Theosophy in India and Ireland

**18.00 – 19.15 wine reception with poetry and music by Ciaran and Deirdre Carson (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

**19.30 Colloquium dinner**

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**Day 2 Wed 4 June**

**9.00 Onwards Tea/Coffee**

**9.15 – 10.25 Panel 4: Education and Empire (Library Auditorium)**

Aileen Douglas (Trinity College Dublin), Experiments in Education in India and Ireland: The Edgeworths and Andrew Bell

Patrick Walsh (QUB), The Role of Education in the Remodelling of British Imperial Power in the Wake of the American Revolution: Ireland, India, Ontario

**10.25 – 10.35 Break**

**10.35 - 11.45 Panel 5: Ulster and Empire (Library Auditorium)**

Jonathan Wright (QUB), “A depot for the productions of the four quarters of the globe”: empire, collecting and the Belfast Museum, c. 1831-1855

Eve Patten (Trinity College Dublin), From Enniskillen to Nairobi: the Coles in British East Africa

**11.45 – 12.00 Tea/Coffee Break**

**12.00 – 13.15 Plenary 2 (Library Auditorium)**

Rosinka Chaudhuri (Centre for Studies in the Social Sciences Calcutta), Provincialising Empire: The Cosmopolitan Vernacular, Authenticity, and Regional Literary Expression (Bengal, 1827-1881)

**13.15 – 14.45 City tour and lunch**

**14.45 – 15.55 Panel 6: Ireland and India: Comparisons and Connections 1 (Library Auditorium)**

Seema Alavi (University of Delhi), The English East India Company's Irish underbelly: George Thomas and William B. O'Shaughnessy

Kieran Fitzpatrick (Wellcome Unit for the History of Medicine, University of Oxford), Famine under British governance: a comparison of Ireland and India, 1845-1870

**15.55 – 16.05 Break**

**16.05 – 17.15 Panel 7: Ireland and India: Comparisons and Connections 2 (Library Auditorium)**

Jack Quin (University of York), "Put down all Asiatic vague immensities": W.B. Yeats, Ireland and India

Rimli Bhattacharya (University of Delhi), A note on inflecting "the Colonies" through the materiality of performance practice

**17.15 – 17.30 Tea/Coffee Break**

**17.30 – 19.00 Panel 8: Contesting the Empire (Library Auditorium)**

Pramod Nayar (University of Hyderabad), Afghanistan, the Indian "Mutiny", and the Bicultural Stereotype of John Nicholson

Raphaella Holinski (Zentrum für schulpraktische Lehrerbildung Gelsenkirchen), The 1857 Indian Uprising in Irish Ballads: Voices of the Subaltern

Jerome Devitt (Trinity College Dublin), "Kept out of Curiosity; Little Practical Use" – Bermuda, the Fenians, and the Imperial Imagination in the 1860s

**19.00 p.m. onwards ICRH reception**

## Day 3 Thursday 5 June

**9.00 Onwards Tea/Coffee**

**9.15 – 10.30 Plenary 3 (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

Ronan McDonald (Global Irish Studies Centre, University of New South Wales), Transnational Autobiography: Irish political prisoners in Australia

**10.30 – 10.40 Tea/Coffee Break**

**10.40 – 12.10 Panel 9: Postcolonial and Transnational Perspectives (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

Sonja Lawrenson (Manchester Metropolitan University), The Minor Transnationalism of Maria Edgeworth's *An Essay on Irish Bulls*

Tess Maginess (QUB), No ruin no poem: the Big House in Walcott and Muldoon

John Wilson Foster (UBC/QUB), Incidental India: Personal Research Experiences of the Subcontinent

**12.10 -12.20 Break**

**12.20 – 13.30 Panel 10: Philanthropy and Disease (Canada Room and Council Chamber)**

Sarah Hunter (Trinity College Dublin), The Dufferin Fund and the British Raj: official and non-official connections  
Jonathan Lamb and Killian Quigley (Vanderbilt University), Scurvy and the Irish in Australia, 1788-1870

**13.30 – 14.15 Lunch**

**14.15 – 15.45 Networking panel (Library Auditorium)**

**15.45 - Vote of thanks (Library Auditorium)**