

I-CoNet/Encora Conference – DRAFT Programme 13<sup>th</sup> March 2007  
**Towards the Sustainable Development of Ireland's Coast**  
*Location – Boole Basement, University College Cork, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> April 2007*

**DAY 1**

**08:30-09:15** Registration and Coffee/Tea

**09:20-09:30** *Introduction:* Prof. Robert Devoy, UCC

**09:30- 09:50** *Opening Statement:* Minister for Marine (TBC)

**09:50-10:10** *Official Welcome:* Prof. Micheal Murphy – President, UCC

**Session 1: Coastal Management and Planning**

**Chair: Eugene Nixon – Marine Institute**

**10:15-10:30** Prof. Job Dronkers – Coordinator, ENCORA  
*ENCORA's Contribution to ICZM in the EU*

**10:30-10:50** Micheal O Cinneide –Marine Institute  
*Coastal Environment and Planning*

**10:50-11:10** Brendan O' Sullivan – Department of Geography, UCC  
*Role of Spatial Planning in the Coastal Zone*

**11:10-11:40** Refreshment Break

**11:40-12:00** Val Cummins – Coastal and Marine Resources Centre, UCC  
*Integrated Coastal Zone Management in Ireland*

**12:00-12:20** Pat Canney – Project Coordinator, Western River Basin District  
*Application of Water Framework Directive Model to ICZM for Ireland*

**12:20-13:00** *Session 1 Questions and Discussion*

**13:00-14:00** Buffet Lunch, Boole Basement

**Session 2: Coastal Communities and Heritage**

**Chair: Beatrice Kelly – Heritage Council**

**14:00-14:20** Eamonn O Neachtain – Údarás na Gaeltachta  
*Sustaining Coastal Communities and Heritage in the Irish Gaeltacht*

**14:20-14:40** Rita Kearney & Stephen Sage – Kearney Consultants  
*Heritage as a Driver for Sustainability*

**14:40-15:00** Hans Visser – Biodiversity Officer, Fingal County Council  
*The Role of Local Communities in Protecting Natural Heritage*

**15:00-15:20** Break

**Session 3: Coastal Industry**

**Chair: Dr. Axel Meisen – President Memorial University, Newfoundland, Canada**

**15:20-15:40** Agnes McLaverty, Shell Ireland  
*Offshore Resources and Coastal Management*

**15:40-16:00** Kevin O Connor - Donegal County Council  
*Developing Marine Tourism in Ireland*

**16:20-16:40** Gerry Sutton – Coastal and Marine Resources Centre, UCC  
*Potential for an Irish Marine Aggregate Industry*

**16:40-17:20** *Sessions 2 and 3 Questions and Discussion*

**17.20** Close Day 1

**18.00** *Social Event – Food & Wine: UCC Staff Common Room*

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**DAY 2**

**09.15 Start**

**Session 1: How well are we doing? – Implementation of Policy and Legislation**  
**Chair: Dr. Ronan Long – National University of Ireland, Galway**

**09:30-09:50** Kieran Burns – Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources

*Meeting European Coastal Directives & Recommendations*

**09:50-10:10** Elizabeth Sides – National Parks and Wildlife Service  
*Protecting Coastal Ecology*

**10:10-10:30** Ken Whelan – Marine Institute  
*Protecting Wild Salmon Stocks*

**10:30-10:50** Pat Corcoran - Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources  
*Managing the Foreshore*

**10:50-11:20 Break**

**11:20-11:50** Ken Bradley – Department of Environment (Northern Ireland)  
*Implementing ICZM in Northern Ireland*

**11:50-12:10** Mark Mellet – Irish Naval Service  
*Asserting Property Rights / Linking Ocean & Coastal Management*

**12:10-12:50** *Session 1 Questions and Discussion*

**12:50-14:00 Buffet Lunch**

**Session 2: How well are we doing? – Getting the Message Across**  
**Chair: Oisín Naughton – Marine Institute**

**14:00-14:20** Karin Dubsy – Coastwatch  
*An NGO Perspective*

**14:20-14:40** Greta McCarron – Vital Signs  
*The Role of Educators in Coastal Management*

**14:40-15:00** Gerry Murphy – Lacken Community and Development Association  
*A Rural Coastal Community Perspective*

**15:00-15:15** *Session 2 Questions and Discussion*

**15.15-15:30** Brendan Tuohy - Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources  
*Closing Remarks*

*Conference Close*