

Conference fringe events

Exhibition: Equivalent Grades committees

WHERE? Lobby, INEC
WHEN? Throughout the conference.
Wednesday 18th to Friday 20th May

This year, the Equivalent Grades committees have chosen to showcase their work to date through a conference exhibition. Delegates are encouraged to visit the exhibition and see first-hand how it works, and learn more about what's been achieved so far. Committee members will also be available during conference to answer delegate queries about the committee and how it might be relevant to their respective clerical and executive officer membership.

Tasc webinar series: What might the state look like post-pandemic?

WHERE? Conference hall, INEC
WHEN? Thursday 19th May,
1.15 to 2pm

This event outlines what a transformed or expanded state might look like post-pandemic using a series of case studies. It looks at early years care, eldercare, renewable energy, and higher education reform. Speakers include Fórsa general secretary Kevin Callinan and Tasc director Dr. Shana Cohen. Session moderated by director of campaigns Kevin Donoghue.

TUNUI: The role of trade unions in a changed constitutional future

WHERE? Park Suite, The Brehon Hotel
WHEN? Thursday 19th May,
1.15 to 2pm

Trade Unionists for a New and United Ireland (TUNUI) invites delegates and staff to a fringe meeting to have a discussion on the role of trade unions in a changed constitutional future. Chaired by former IMPACT assistant general secretary Pat Bolger.

Abandoned Archives: The Stories We Can't Tell

WHERE? Munster Suite, The Brehon Hotel
WHEN? Thursday 19th May,
1pm to 2pm

Based on Fórsa-funded research, the union's Archivist branch will explore how the issue of chronic underfunding is effecting the ability of the national archives to reach its full potential. With contributions from Hazel Menton, branch chair.

INSPIRE Alumni Lunch

WHERE? The Brehon Suite, The Brehon Hotel
WHEN? Thursday 19th May,
1.00 to 2pm

The Fórsa Skills Academy are hosting an INSPIRE Alumni Lunch in the Brehon Hotel. This event is by invitation only and will feature speakers Caitriona Gleeson, CEO of Women for Election, Ashley Connolly, National Secretary Fórsa and Margaret Coughlan, Chair of the ICTU Women's Committee. Please contact Linda Kelly, Director of Training and Development if you wish to attend.

Justice for Colombia: Trade unions for human rights and peace in Colombia

WHERE? Park Suite, The Brehon Hotel
WHEN? Friday 20th May,
1.15 to 2pm

Thousands of social leaders, including human rights activists, community organisers and trade unionists, have been killed in recent decades in Colombia and the violence against them continues today. This event provides an update on the Justice for Colombia campaign to date. Speakers include Fórsa general secretary Kevin Callinan and Justice for Colombia director Hasan Dodwell.

Fórsa Youth Network: Enhancing engagement with young workers

WHERE? Munster Suite, The Brehon Hotel
WHEN? Friday 20th May,
1.15 to 2pm

An open discussion held by the Fórsa Youth Network exploring how we can encourage younger members to engage with trade union activism in the workplace and beyond. Open to all members.