

Agenda

Weekend 10: 13th and 14th January 2018

Topic: *The manner in which referenda are held*

Saturday 13th January

09.15	Private Session	Private
09.30	Opening Address by the Chair	Public
09.45	Session 1: Referendums in Ireland- History and outcomes to date <i>Prof. Gary Murphy, Dublin City University</i>	Public
10.05	Session 2: Referendums in Ireland- Legal background and process <i>Niamh Hyland SC</i>	Public
10.20	Round Table Discussion	Private
10.45	Coffee	Private
11.00	Q&A	Public
11.30	Session 3: Referendum Campaigns: Legal Regulation <i>Dr. Conor O'Mahony, University College Cork</i>	Public
11.50	Session 4: Referendum Campaigns: Legal Regulation- Impact on the media <i>Mark Brennock, Director of Public Affairs, Murray</i>	Public
12.10	Round Table Discussion including discussion on possible issues arising for the Assembly's recommendations	Private
13.00	Lunch	Private
14.00	Q&A and Feedback from Sessions 3 and 4	Public

14.40	Session 5: Voter turnout, super referendums and repeat referendums <i>Prof. Michael Marsh, Trinity College Dublin</i>	Public
15.05	Session 6: Citizens initiatives and direct democracy <i>Dr. Theresa Reidy, University College Cork</i>	Public
15.30	Coffee	Private
15.45	Round Table Discussion including discussion on possible issues arising for the Assembly's recommendations	Private
16.30	Q&A and Feedback from Sessions 5 and 6	Public
17.15	Concluding remarks by the Chairperson	Public
 <u>Sunday 14th January</u>		
9.30	Welcome from the Chair	Public
9.35	Presentation of Draft Ballot Paper	Public
10.00	Roundtable Discussion	Private
10.45	Feedback and Q&A from members	Public
11.30	Coffee	Private
11.45	Finalisation and agreement on wording of Ballot Paper including explanation of any agreed amendments	Public
13.00	Voting	Public
13.30	Lunch/ Counting of the votes	Private
15.30	Announcement of results, Concluding remarks and Reflections from the Chair	Public