

The 14th European Symposium for the Protection of the Night Sky

3-5th November 2019

GN MULRANNY PARK HOTEL, MULRANNY, CO. MAYO



| START | FINISH | EVENT / TALK TITLE | SPEAKER / PRESENTER | COUNTRY |
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| SUNDAY 3rd NOVEMBER | | | | |
| 17:00 | 18:00 | Registration Open | | |
| | | | Denis Strong, Divisional Manager, (Western Division, National Parks & Wildlife Service) | |
| 18:15 | 18:30 | Official Opening Event | Peter Hynes, Chief Executive (Mayo Council County) | Ireland |
| 18:30 | 18:45 | Introduction to the European Symposium and event goals | Prof. Brian Espey, Conference Chair | Ireland |
| 18:45 | 19:30 | GUEST SPEAKERS | | |
| | | Brexit and the Stars | Bob Mizon (Commission for Dark Skies) | UK |
| | | Astrotourism: Harnessing the Power of Tourism to Protect Dark Skies | Valerie Stimac (Lonely Planet Guide Dark Skies) | USA |
| 19:30 | LATE | Welcome Reception followed by Delegates' Buffet | Social Networking | |
| MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER | | | | |
| 08:30 | 09:00 | Registration Open | | |
| | | GUEST SPEAKER | | |
| 09:15 | 09:45 | Lighting & Bats | Dr. Emma Stone, (University of the West of England) | UK |
| 10:00 | 10:40 | THEME: A European View on Light Pollution Light Pollution - A Global Discussion | Etta Dannemann Dr. Andreas Hänel (Dark Sky Germany) | Germany |
| 10:40 | 11:20 | 20 + 1 years of the European Symposium - what has changed? THEME: Lighting in Society The effects of artificial lighting on landscape character and visual amenity: Assessment and interdisciplinary working Fight the Light-mare! | Karl Jones (Crestwood Environmental) Roberto Corradini | Germany UK Italy |
| 11:20 | 11:45 | COFFEE, NETWORKING, POSTER | | |
| 11:45 | 12:45 | THEME: Action for Light Pollution - Policy | | |
| | | Irish Light Pollution in context | Prof. Brian Espey (Trinity College Dublin) | Ireland |
| | | LED lighting: treat or/and opportunity to reduce light pollution. | Friedel Pas (Preventie Lichthinder vzw) | Belgium |
| | | Parc Astronòmic Montsec: 10 years of Dark Skies, Outreach, Education, Research & Economy | Salvador J Ribas (Parc Astronòmic Montsec) | Spain |
| 12:45 | 13:00 | DISCUSSION | Hosted by Anja Murray (EcoEye) | Ireland |
| 13:00 | 14:00 | LUNCH BREAK | | |
| 14:00 | 14:45 | THEME: Biodiversity/ Ecology Artificial Light at Night and Irish Bats: Minimising Impacts of Lighting Schemes Ecological trap of the night-swarming mayfly, Ephoron virgo, caused by night-lighting of bridges | Tina Aughney (Bat Conservation Ireland) Dénes Száz | Ireland Hungary |
| 14:45 | 15:30 | THEME: Dark Skies in Sustainable Development Themes | | |
| | | Astro Tourists: From light to darkness | Deborah Slater (The University of Central Lancashire) | UK |
| | | Dark Sky Ireland, a partnership for the Goals | Clair McSweeney (Blackrock Castle Observatory) | Ireland |
| 15:30 | 16:00 | COFFEE, NETWORKING, POSTER | | |
| 16:00 | 16:20 | Heritage and Night Sky - Connecting Place to Space | Dr Daniel Brown (Nottingham Trent University) | UK |
| 16:20 | 16:40 | THEME: Culture & Wellbeing Project Circadian Special recording - Greeting from colleagues in Starlight | Claudia Daventry | Scotland |
| 16:40 | 17:00 | Conference, New Zealand | VIDEO MESSAGE | |
| 17:00 | 17:15 | DISCUSSION | | |
| BREAK | | | | |
| 18:15 | | Depart for Wild Nephin Ballycroy Visitor Centre (Mayo International Dark Sky Park) | Field Trip Susan Callaghan (District Conservation Officer, National Parks & Wildlife Service) | Ireland |
| 19:00 | 19:15 | Welcome to Wild Nephin Ballycroy National Park GUEST PRESENTATION: | | |
| 19:15 | 19:40 | The Cevennes National Park International Dark-Sky Reserve: a regional approach reinforced by the new French legislation | Pierre Jégot & Richard Scherrer (Cevennes National Park) Mayo International Dark Sky Park, Ballycroy | France |
| 19:45 | LATE | Stargazing (Weather dependent) | | |

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| TUESDAY 5th NOVEMBER | | | | |
| 09:00 | 09:30 | OPENING SPEAKER | | |
| | | Lighting for Life | Brian Healy (Bright Design Carbon Solutions) | UK |
| 09:30 | 10:15 | THEME: Light Pollution Resources | | |
| | | Can Citizen Science and Open Science contribute to fight against Light Pollution? | Esteban González Guardia (ACTION Project) | Spain |
| | | Show me the light? Mapping artificial light sources | Helga Kuechly (GFZ German Research Center for Geosciences) | Germany |
| 10:15 | | Special Tribute | | |
| | | Remembering Thomas Posch & Richard G Stevens | Stefan Wallner | Austria |
| 10:30 | 10:45 | COFFEE, NETWORKING, POSTER | | |
| | | WORKSHOPS - Dark Sky Tools (Electives offered at registration - pick one workshop) | | |
| 10:45 | 11:45 | Workshop 1 - Measuring Sky Brightness | Zoltán Kolláth Ray Butler | Hungary/Ireland |
| | | Workshop 2 - IDA Dark Sky Place Application & Reporting Preparation | Mark Bailey Gerry Bond Albert White | N.Ireland/UK/Ireland |
| | | Workshop 3 - Communication & Best Practices on Lighting for Dark Skies | Friedel Pas Roberto Corradini | Belgium / Italy |
| 11:45 | 12:00 | OUTCOMES OF WORKSHOPS | | |
| 12:00 | 13:00 | THEME: Culture, Wellbeing & Heritage | | |
| | | The Literary Night in the Age of Electric Light | Sarah Cullen (Trinity College Dublin) | Ireland |
| | | Dark Skies, Landscapes and Skyscapes—cultural heritage perspectives | Frank Prendergast (Technological University of Dublin) | Ireland |
| | | The Medieval Dark Sky' | Dr Valerie Shrimplin | UK |
| 13:00 | 14:00 | LUNCH BREAK | | |
| 14:00 | 15:00 | THEME: Outreach & Initiatives | | |
| | | Darkness4all, a Stars4all light pollution initiative on dark skies in Europe | Andreas Jechow | Germany |
| | | Pyrenees La Nuit: Science, Outreach and Strategy for saving the night | Salvador J Ribas (Parc Astronòmic Montsec) | Spain |
| | | The protection of dark skies over Austria: results of light pollution networks, establishment of dark sky places, scientific useage of data and future work | Stefan Wallner | Austria |
| 15:00 | 15:15 | DISCUSSION | | |
| 15:15 | 15:45 | COFFEE, NETWORKING, POSTER | | |
| | | VIDEO LINK Guest speaker | | |
| 15:45 | 16:15 | The Impact of Light Pollution on Ecology | Travis Longcore | USA via Link |
| 16:20 | 17:00 | THEME: Protecting Dark Sky Places | | |
| | | Alpine Starlight and World Heritage - Status and Plans in Austria | Günther Wuchterl | Austria |
| | | Protecting Dark-Sky Places in Japan: a designated Dark-Sky Park and more potential sites | Nobuaki Ochi | Japan |
| 17:00 | 17:15 | DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS | | |
| | | VIDEO LINK Guest speaker | Ruskin Hartley (Executive Director, International Dark Sky Association) | USA via Link |
| 17:15 | 17:45 | "Under One Sky" | | |
| 17:45 | 18:15 | Closing Conference Talk & Announcement of Future Symposium | Christopher Kyba | Germany |
| BREAK | | | | |
| 19:30 | LATE | CONFERENCE DINNER | Social Evening / Entertainment | |
| | | After Dinner Speakers | Clare Tuffy (Office of Public Works)/ Dr. Andreas Hänel | Ireland / Germany |