

# First National Conference on Narrative Inquiry: Researching and Writing Irish Storyscapes



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## CONFERENCE ORGANISERS

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## CONFERENCE THEMES

This first national conference on narrative provided a forum for scholars from the social sciences in particular but also across the disciplines who have a theoretical, methodological and/or creative interest in narrative. Conference themes covered narratives of teaching and learning, identity, gender, voice, place/space, arts-based narrative inquiry, autoethnography, narrative as emancipatory or therapeutic and novel, innovative approaches to researching through narrative. Hosted by **Institute of Technology, Sligo**, the conference was co-organised and supported by **National University of Ireland Galway** and **National University of Ireland, Maynooth**. The conference aimed to bring together a wide range of Irish and international scholars to showcase how narrative is and can be deployed in researching Irish society.

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Professor Maria Tamboukou**, Professor of Feminist Studies, co-director for the Centre for Narrative Research and co-editor of the journal *Gender and Education*, University of East London, UK. <http://www.uel.ac.uk/lss/staff/mariatamboukou/>

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Representation from NUIM at the First National Conference on Narrative Inquiry



**Dr Grace O'Grady (NUIM) and Dr Perry Share (ITSligo)**



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From left: Professor Ruth Leitch (QUB), Therese Hegarty (NUIM) and Dr Grace O' Grady (NUIM)



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