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## Severe Labour Exploitation and Human Trafficking in Ireland - Programme

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*Phoenix Boardroom, Maynooth University (North Campus), May 11 2018*

9.45am: Opening and welcome

### **Session 1: The Legal and Policy Framework – International and Domestic Perspectives (10am – 11.30am)**

- Dr Vladislava Stoyanova, “Positive Obligations under Article 4 ECHR”
- Prof Siobhán Mullally, “Combating Trafficking for the Purpose of Labour Exploitation: Reflecting on 10 Years of the Council of Europe Anti-Trafficking Convention”
- Dr David Doyle and Dr Clíodhna Murphy, “Lived Experiences of Labour Trafficking Victims in Ireland”

**Coffee break (11.30-11.45)**

### **Session 2: Critical Perspectives and Practitioner Experiences (11.45am – 12.45pm)**

- Dr Gillian Wylie, “The Neglected Norm - Why Labour Trafficking and its Victims are So Hard to See”
- Colin Smith BL, “Trafficking for the Purpose of Labour Exploitation in Ireland: The View from Practice”

**Lunch (12.45-1.15)**

### **Session 3: Severe Labour Exploitation and Human Trafficking - The Way Forward? (1.15pm-2.30pm)**

Roundtable discussion, including:

- Mariaam Bhatti, Domestic Workers Action Group
- Paul Gunning, Department of Justice and Equality Anti-Human Trafficking Unit
- Bernard Rooney, Workplace Relations Commission
- Ken Fleming, International Transport Workers Federation
- Jane O’Connell, Migrant Rights Centre Ireland

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## Speakers

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**Vladislava Stoyanova** is the Ragnar Söderberg Associate Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law, Lund University, Sweden. Her research interests cover international human rights law, refugee and migration law. She is the author of *Human Trafficking and Slavery Reconsidered: Conceptual Limits and States' Positive Obligations in European Law* (Cambridge University Press, 2017). Her publications can be accessed here <http://papers.ssrn.com/author=1617529>

**Siobhán Mullally** is Established Professor of Human Rights Law and Director of the Irish Centre for Human Rights at NUI Galway. She has published widely in the fields of gender, women's rights, migration, asylum and multiculturalism. She is currently the President of the Council of Europe anti-trafficking body, the Group of Experts on Action against Trafficking (GRETA). She is a Commissioner with the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission, and is a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague. She is the founding Joint Editor-in-Chief of the *Irish Yearbook of International Law* (with Professor Fiona de Londras), published by Hart Bloomsbury, Oxford.

**David Doyle** is a lecturer in the Department of Law at Maynooth University. His research interests include capital punishment, corporate manslaughter, criminal justice history, human trafficking and sexual offences. He is currently in the process of completing a book (with Liam O'Callaghan) on capital punishment in post-independence Ireland. David was awarded IRC New Foundations Awards in 2015 & 2016 to conduct a study of victim perspectives on forced labour and trafficking for criminal activities in Ireland.

**Clíodhna Murphy** is a lecturer in the Department of Law at Maynooth University. She has published widely in the areas of migration and human rights. She has a particular interest in migrant integration policy and in the intersection between migration law and labour law.

**Gillian Wylie** is assistant professor of International Peace Studies at TCD. She has researched and published on human trafficking for the last ten years. Publications include *The International Politics of Human Trafficking* (Palgrave 2016) and edited (with Eilis Ward) *Feminism, Prostitution and the State: The Politics of Neo-Abolitionism* (Routledge 2017).

*Colin Smith* is a barrister practising in the field of human rights law. He specialises in representing victims of trafficking in human beings. He is an Adjunct Assistant Professor in the School of Law at Trinity College Dublin and lectures in anti-trafficking law at the Honorable Society of King's Inns. He is a member of the Human Rights Committee of the Bar Council of Ireland and a former chairman of the Irish Society of International Law. He has worked as a consultant for the United Nations, the Council of Europe, the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the International Bar Association and the International Committee of the Red Cross. Before practising in Dublin he worked in Chambers at the Special Court for Sierra Leone in Freetown and in the War Crimes Division of the Office of the Prosecutor at the State Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Sarajevo.

**Mariaam Bhatti** is a leader of the Domestic Workers Action Group.

**Paul Gunning** is Principal Officer in the Department of Justice and Equality Anti-Human Trafficking Unit.

**Bernard Rooney** is a Workplace Relations Commission Inspection Services Manager for the North-West Region.

**Ken Fleming** is the International Transport Workers' Federation Co-ordinator for Ireland and Britain.

**Jane O'Connell** is Legal Officer at the Migrant Rights Centre Ireland.