

Seminar: Irish Activation Policy and Practice¹

Monday, September 22nd 2014. 9.30-2.30pm Maynooth University (Manor Mills)

This seminar is free but places are limited. To book, please email ivan.privalko.2013@nuim.ie.

Please insert "Seminar: Irish Activation Policy and Practice" into the subject line.

9.00² – 9.30 Registration Tea and Coffee

9.30-10.30 Session One Irish Activation "*Setting the Scene*":

Chair: Anna Lee (former CEO South Dublin County Partnership).

Introduction: "**Unpacking Irish activation: Policy and Practice**" Mary Murphy, Maynooth University

Key note: "**International Trends in Activation Policy and Practice**"

Professor Evelyn Brodtkin (University of Chicago)³

Discussion

10.30 – 12.15 Session Two: Irish Activation *Updating and Unpacking Key Developments*

Chair Paul Ginnell European Anti-Poverty Network

Intreo Brid O'Brien Irish National Organisation of the Unemployed

SOLAS and ETB's Bernie Brady Aontas

Youth Guarantee Pilot Mick Creedon Ballymun Jobs Club

Discussion

12.15-12.45pm light lunch

12.45pm – 1.45pm Session Three Irish Activation *On The Ground*

Chair: Mary Murphy, Maynooth University

Implementing activation: Odran Reid (Northside Partnership), TBC (ILDN Employment Group), and David Tracey (City of Dublin Education and Training Board)

Experiencing Activation: Alice Mary Higgins (NWCI), Anne-Marie Butler (We're Not Leaving)

Discussion

1.45-2pm Closing Comment Observations from abroad: Professor Evelyn Brodtkin

¹ Department of Sociology Political Economy & Work Cluster see [here](#) for details of our new MA in Sociology: Work, Labour Markets and Employment

² The 8.30 train from Dublin Connolly arrives in Maynooth in time for the seminar.

³ Evelyn Brodtkin's co-edited book, *Work and the Welfare State: Street-Level Organizations and Workfare Politics* investigates the politics and practices of labour market activation in the US, Australia, UK, Denmark, Germany, and the Netherlands). <http://press.georgetown.edu/book/georgetown/work-and-welfare-state>