

Conference 2023 Leinster House

Title: 50 Years of Ireland in the EU - National Identity and European Citizenship

8.30 am **Arrival**

9.00 am **Registration**

9.30 am **Introduction, Housekeeping, Plenary.**

10.00 am **Morning Workshops** – Choice (Committee Rooms)

1. Oireachtas Resources - Conor Reale

An introduction to all the latest resources offered by Oireachtas Education. Presented by the Oireachtas Education Officer Conor Reale, the Parliamentary Education Officer for the Houses of the Oireachtas.

2. AI and CSPE - Brendan O'Regan

An introduction to how AI tools can be used in the teaching of CSPE. This will include ChatGPT, Google Bard, Perplexity-AI and Microsoft's Bing. Get help designing strategies, class plans, subject plans and much more.

3. CSPE and the CBA Process – Dan Campion

An introduction to the CBA process as it applies to CSPE. Presented by Dan Campion from the new support service Oide.

11.00 am **Coffee Break**

11.30 am **Keynote speaker** – Lisa Walshe, NUIG, will address Ireland's involvement with the EU and the changes in national identity and political viewpoints over the last 50 years.

12 pm **Open Forum and CSPE Updates** (incl Dan Campion, Oide)

1.00 pm – **Lunch**

2.00 pm – **Afternoon Workshops** – Choice (Committee Rooms)

1. Concern – Lauren Wright

Explore the history of the Concern Worldwide and the current work and context of Concern. Learn about Concern's Global Citizenship programme which engages young people, schools and communities across the Island of Ireland.

2. European Parliament – Patrick O'Riordan

This workshop will present the youth offering of the European Parliament and engage in a broader discussion around citizenship education in the context of the upcoming EP elections.

3. Planning a Unit of Work - European Issues - Gearoid O'Brien

Ireland's relationship with Europe can be approached in a wide variety of ways in the teaching of CSPE. Gearoid O'Brien's presentation will look how the learning outcomes can be used to teach about areas such as the ECHR, the Council of Europe and the EU and its institutions using a variety of methodologies aimed at promoting the key junior cycle skills and students' knowledge of Ireland's place in Europe.

3.00 pm: **Finish**