



**Irish Fiscal  
Advisory Council**

**Path for the Public Finances**

**Conference, 2019**

**Draft Programme**

**Long-Term Fiscal  
Sustainability:**

**Winter is coming!**

22nd February, 2019 | Dublin Castle

8:30 am – 2:30 pm



8:30am Registration

9:00am **Opening address**  
**Seamus Coffey**  
Irish Fiscal Advisory Council

## Keynote Presentation – Growth & Public Revenues

9:10am **The Future Growth Path for Europe & Ireland**  
**Prof Nicholas Crafts**  
University of Warwick

## Session 1 – Demographic Change

10:00am **Long-Term Population Projections under Uncertainty**  
**Enrique M. Quilis**  
Economic Analysis Division, Independent Authority for Fiscal Responsibility (AIRef)

10:30pm **Predicting Irish Migration: a Gravity Model Approach**  
**Ainhoa Osés Arranz**  
Irish Fiscal Advisory Council

11:00am **Tea / Coffee**



## Session 2 – Health

11:30pm **Fiscal Sustainability and Public Spending on Health**

**James Ebdon**

Fiscal Risks and Sustainability Division,  
Office for Budget Responsibility

12:00pm **Insights from the Hippocrates Model**

**Maev-Ann Wren**

Economic and Social Research Institute

**12:30pm Lunch**

## Session 3 – Pensions & Discussion

1:15pm **Pension Reforms and the Labour Supply of Older Workers**

**Hervé Boulhol**

OECD

1:45pm **Discussion:**  
**How will Ireland incorporate future demographic pressures?**

Íde Kearney (IFAC), Jasmina Behan (IGEES), John McCarthy (Dept. of Finance)

2:30pm **Closing address**

**Seamus Coffey**

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