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CONFERENCE VENUE

The Conrad Hotel

The Conrad Hotel Dublin stands opposite the gardens of St Stephen's Green, overlooking the majestic National Concert Hall. In the midst of Dublin's cobbled streets, it is the perfect location to explore this truly exceptional city. Winner of the prestigious Fáilte Ireland 5-Star Quality Award, this luxury Dublin hotel embraces contemporary Dublin with an authentic, yet effortlessly stylish twist.

The hotel is located on Stephen's Green Park; just across the park is Grafton Street that leads you right into the heart of Dublin.

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Dublin 2, D02 V562, Ireland

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Email: conrad_dublin@conradhotels.com

WELCOME DESK

The GIRP welcome desk will be located in the lobby of the Conrad Hotel on Saturday and Sunday, and in the conference area on Monday and Tuesday. Should you require additional assistance, or have any questions, please do not hesitate to address them to our staff at the welcome desk.

Participants are kindly requested to register at the welcome desk to obtain their personal badge and conference bag.

OPENING HOURS:

- 27 May 2017, from 12:30 to 18:00
- 28 May 2017, from 10:00 to 18:00
- 29 May 2017, from 08:00 to 18:00
- 30 May 2017, from 08:00 to 13:00

Payment

Payment of the participation fee to the GIRP Annual Meeting & Conference must be settled prior to the conference. For any questions regarding the payment procedure or the relevant documentation, please contact the GIRP office at girp@girp.eu.

TRANSPORTATION TO/FROM THE AIRPORT

Dublin International Airport is approximately 6 miles/12 kilometres north of Dublin city centre, near a large suburban area called Swords. When you arrive at Dublin airport, there are four main ways you can get to the city centre:

- Taxi
- Bus
 - Express public coach (Airlink)
 - Express private coach (Aircoach)
 - Public bus (Dublin Bus)

• Taxi

It's easy to take a taxi from Dublin airport. The taxi rank is just outside the Terminal 1 and 2 Arrivals level. Look to the right as you exit Arrivals. As with most airports, if the rank is busy, you get in the queue and wait for the next available taxi. Due to this it is **recommended to book an airport transfer** beforehand. For the conference, we are working together with [Collin's Travel](#) which offer airport transfers. In case you arrive during rush hour, the driver might ask you whether you would like to go through [Dublin Tunnel](#); this can save you up to 30 minutes of commuting time but will cost you the tunnel fee in addition.

The taxi fare will be around **€25 to €40**, depending on time/distance. Extras depend mainly on whether you booked the journey, whether it is peak time, and the number of passengers.

• Bus

For payment, consider buying a Leap Visitor Card in the airport.

Leap Visitor Card

The **Leap Visitor Card** is a pre-paid ticket that allows you unlimited city travel for **72 hours** (3 days) after first use on:

- Airlink 747 airport bus service
- All Dublin Bus scheduled services (not valid on tours)
- All Luas (tram) services
- DART and Commuter Rail in the Short Hop Zone (all of Dublin city and county)

You can buy a Leap Visitor Card for only **€19.50** at the SPAR shop (a small grocery shop) in the arrivals hall in Terminal 1 or Terminal 2, or at the Travel Information desk in Terminal 1.

Express public bus (Airlink / 747)

The Airlink is an express service (fewer stops) that goes from the airport to Dublin's main bus station Busaras, then to O'Connell Street in the city centre and finally to Heuston, one of Dublin's main train stations. 747 buses are frequent, departing **every 15 or 20 minutes**, from 5 to 23.30 (23.20 Sundays).

- *Where do I get the Airlink?*
The Airlink stops just outside the exit to Terminal 1, Arrivals level (above Departures). Look for the bus stop on the left of the Arrivals exit. Look for the bus stop on the left as you exit Arrivals.
- *What is the Airlink journey time?*
The listed journey time for Airlink to go from the airport to O'Connell Street is **40 minutes**, although it sometimes takes less.
- *How much does the Airlink cost?*
The Airlink costs **€6 one-way** for adults, **€10 return**.

Express Private Coach (Aircoach)

The Aircoach that goes through Dublin city centre is number 700. The Aircoach departs **every 15 minutes** between 3.15 and 23.55. It departs **every 30 minutes** after that, until 3.15.

- *Where do I get the Aircoach?*
The Aircoach stops just outside the exit to Terminal 1, Arrivals level (above Departures). Look for the bus stop on the left as you exit Arrivals. It also departs from just outside the main door of Terminal 2 Departures level.
- *What is the Aircoach journey time?*
The official journey time for the Aircoach to the city centre is **25 minutes**. This can increase to up to 45 minutes with heavy traffic.
- *How much does the Aircoach cost?*
The adult fare from the airport to Dublin city centre (O'Connell Street) with the Aircoach is **€7**. A **return** ticket is **€12**.

Public bus (Dublin Bus)

Many tourists are unaware that they can take the Dublin bus, which is the cheapest option, or else they prefer to take an express coaches, which is a little quicker.

- *Where do I get the Dublin Bus?*
Dublin Bus stops just outside the exit to Terminal 1, Arrivals level (above Departures). Look for the bus stop on the left of the Arrivals exit. Look for the bus stop on the left as you exit Arrivals.
- *How much does the Dublin Bus cost?*
The regular public bus service is the cheapest option for getting into the city centre. A single fare from Dublin Airport to the City Centre, at the time of writing, costs **€3.30**. You can pay the driver when you get on the bus but you must have the exact coins. Another payment option you can consider is to buy a **LEAP visitor card** - although if you purchase the LEAP visitor card, you may want to travel on Airlink -- the public express bus, since the LEAP visitor card gives you unlimited travel on the public network in Dublin for 3 days.
- *What is the Dublin Bus journey time?*
The Dublin Bus 41 journey time from the airport is about **40 minutes**. On busier times (the morning and afternoon commuter rush) it can take up to 1 hour.

More bus operators are available. To **pre-book** and access **schedules** of all bus operators visit: <https://www.dublinairport.com/to-from-the-airport/by-bus>

TRANSPORTATION IN THE CITY

TAXIS

- **Hail a Taxi**

There are currently 79 taxi ranks in Dublin which are in service 24 hours a day. Additional night time taxi ranks operate between 20:00 and 6:00 on several locations in the city centre, including Dame Street and Merrion Row.

A licensed taxi must display a yellow TAXI display panel on the top of the car's roof.

- **Taxi Fares**

Few taxis take credit or debit cards – make sure to have cash with you.

Standard Rates (Applies 08.00 hours to 20.00 hours, Monday to Saturday):

Initial Charge: € 3.80

Per kilometer: Fare A: € 1.14 (€ 1.45 Premium) / Fare B: € 1.50 (€ 1.80 Premium)

Premium Rates (Applies 20.00 hours to 08.00 hours, Monday to Saturday, and all day Sunday):

Initial Charge: € 4,20

Per kilometer: Fare A: € 1.45 Premium / Fare B: € 1.80

Further Charges:

Additional Passengers: € 1

Booking fee: € 2

You can calculate your estimated fare at www.TransportforIreland.ie.

- **Call a Taxi**

If you prefer ordering a taxi by phone, there are several trust-worthy companies operating taxi radios. Waiting times may differ, pending traffic conditions and time of the day. If you can, avoid ordering a taxi at peak times between 7:00 and 9:00 and 16:00 and 19:00 from Monday to Friday. If you are thinking of going out on a Saturday night, it is advisable to book your taxi before 18:00 that day. At other times you can expect to wait 20-30 minutes from putting in a call to seeing your taxi arrive.

City Cabs: 00353 1 872 7272

Metro Cabs: 00353 1 668 3333

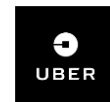
National Radio Cabs: 00353 1 677 2222

Pony Cabs: 00353 1 661 2233

Taxi 7: 00353 1 460 0000

- **UBER**

For the faithful Uber-users among us, note that **Uber** is also available in Dublin. No need to make a phone call or schedule a pick-up and with 24/7 availability.



- **Hailo and MyTaxi**

In Dublin you can also use Hailo or MyTaxi App, both function essentially the same ways as Uber.



Taxis in Dublin can be very dirty inside. In case you want to make sure that your vehicle is clean, best to order an UberSelect or UberBlack.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

For commuting within Dublin, Dublin Bus and LUAS tram services are available. The simplest to use for public transportation in Dublin is the Leap Card.

- **Leap Card**

The Leap Card is a card that you can top up with travel credit or period tickets. It is valid for all buses, trams and trains within the Dublin city area.

The Leap Card fares are usually 20% cheaper than cash single tickets. Leap Card users in the Dublin area also benefit from capping (daily € 7.00, weekly € 27.50) and discounted rate for any further transport you take within 90 minutes of the last.

You can buy the leap card in one of the many outlets in Dublin (see map [here](#)) or online at www.leapcard.ie . Simply buy your card, Top-Up with Travel Credit or a period ticket and away you go!

- **DoDUBLIN Card**

In case you are planning to stay longer - the DoDUBLIN Card gives 3 days (72hrs) unlimited travel on all of the Dublin Bus services including Airlink and the DoDUBLIN Sightseeing Tour. The Adult Freedom Pass is € 35.00.

- **City Seeing – Hop on Hop off**

City Tour Tickets in form of Hop on Hop off tours are available from DoDUBLIN (Green Busses) and The Dublin Pass (Red-Yellow Busses). While the DoDublin tour is much cheaper, the The Dublin Pass includes entries for most of the sights in Dublin.

HOTEL AMENITIES

Fitness Studio

Open 24 hours a day, the Fitness Studio at the Conrad Hotel offers plenty of potential for toning and powering up at your own pace.

- Fitness equipment: weights, mats and bands
- Stationary bikes and treadmills

HOTEL RESTAURANTS & BARS

The Conrad Hotel offers you locally inspired food and snacks in relaxing atmosphere.

The Coburg Brasserie

The Coburg gained its name from the neighbouring Iveagh Gardens, once known as the Coburg Gardens. The gardens, once housing a magnificent winter garden that also served as also served as the venue for the legendary Royal Horse Bazaar, gave inspiration to the design of the Coburg Brasserie. The design featuring mirrors and light fixtures, and the use of materials such as leather, marble, porcelain make The Coburg a true brasserie.

The Coburg is the perfect place for guests to refuel. You can find here everything, from an extensive breakfast buffet, to casual brunch, late business lunch, early pre-theatre or late supper. The Coburg features international and traditional Irish cuisine, using locally sourced, natural ingredients.

OPENING HOURS:

- Breakfast: Monday to Friday from 06:30 to 11:00; Weekends 07:00 – 11:00
- Lunch & Dinner: Monday to Sunday from 13:00 to 23:00

To book a table at The Coburg please call 00353 1 6028900 or email reservations@TheCoburgDublin.com. You can find more information on [The Coburg's Website](#).

Lemuel's

Lemuel's, named after the famous fictional traveller Lemuel Gulliver, an international classic of Irish literature. Here you will discover new world wines, innovative cocktails, fine food and teas with influences from around the globe.

OPENING HOURS:

- Daily from 08:00 to 22:30
- Afternoon tea: Daily from 13:00 to 17:00

To book a table visit [Lemuel's Lounge Bar website](#), email reservations@lemuelsdublin.com or call 00353 1 602 8900.

Alfie Byrne's by Galway Bay Brewery

Alfie Byrne's by Galway Bay Brewery is the "Pub" in the Conrad Hotel. It offers up to 33 craft beers on draught along with more than 30 whiskeys, all made in the USA and or Ireland. If the weather permits, take a seat on the terrace and enjoy your pint with great views of the National Concert Hall.

OPENING HOURS:

- Lunch and dinner: Daily from 12:00 until close

For more information or to book a table at Alfie Byrne's by Galway Bay Brewery, please call 003531 6028976.

FOOD, DRINKS & GOING OUT IN DUBLIN

The culinary scene in Dublin has grown considerably in the recent years. The Irish capital is now bursting with creative chefs, cafés and restaurants serving all types of delights, from fresh seafood to the traditional Irish flavours and artisan cafés.

Some representative dishes are the Irish stew, made with lamb, mutton, or goat; bacon and cabbage with potatoes; boxty, a type of potato pancake; and coddle which commonly consists of slices of sausages, bacon, and potatoes. Modern Irish Food still uses these traditional ingredients, but they are now being cooked by chefs with world influences and are presented in a modern artistic style.

And of course, Dublin and its citizens are possibly the most famous in the world for enjoying a beer. Its pubs and bars offer much more than just a pint of Guinness, ranging from whiskies and stouts to craft beers.

In the area between St. Stephen's Green and Trinity College you can find all sorts of restaurants and pubs. Specifically some areas of entertainment are:

Temple Bar

It is an area on the south bank of the River Liffey in central Dublin. It is commonly known as the tourist hub of Dublin and includes some great galleries, cafés and cultural spots to enjoy aside from the general atmosphere of drinking and debauchery.

South William street

South William Street, foremost Dublin's garment district, is now filled with independent stores such as hair salons, barbers, beauty rooms, and other creative businesses, as well as cafés and nightclubs. In the midst of it, you can find Powerscourt Centre offering a range of clothes shops and jewelry stores.

SPECIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Lemon and Duke**

A striking, stunning and relaxed bar for lunch, dinner and drinks - just off Grafton Street (one of the most popular shopping streets in Dublin). Great food, tank beer, a unique draft range and incredible cocktails - wrapped up in stunning yet welcoming space.

LOCATION:

Lemon & Duke
1 Royal Hibernian Way
Duke Lane Upper
Dublin 2

FOOD SERVING TIMES:

- Monday-Wednesday: 10:00 – 21:00
- Thursday: 10:00 – 22:00
- Friday-Saturday: 10:00 – 21:00
- Sunday 12:00 – 21:00

RESERVE A TABLE:

+353 (0)1 679 6260

INFORMATION:

<http://www.lemonandduke.ie/>

- **Ely Bar & Grill**

Ely Bar & Grill, in Dublin's Docklands, is Ireland's oldest wine venue located within beautifully restored wine vaults. The original 1821 cellars, now with 2 fully licensed bars and a heated waterside terrace, have been transformed to become the architecturally stunning venue it is today.

Whether it's dinner or drinks and bar bites with friends, Ely Bar & Grill offers one of the most unique and atmospheric dining experiences in Ireland.

LOCATION:

Ely Bar & Grill
CHQ Building, ISFC
North Dock, Georges Dock,
Dublin 1

OPENING HOURS:

- Monday – Friday: 12:00 – late
- Saturday: 12:00 – late
- Sunday: 12:00 - 18:00

RESERVE A TABLE:

<http://www.elywinebar.ie/book-now/>

+353 (0)1 672 0010

INFORMATION:

<http://www.elywinebar.ie/>

DUBLIN HIGHLIGHTS

A small capital with a huge reputation, Dublin's mix of heritage and hedonism will not disappoint.

Make sure to have a quick wander around St Stephen's Green, a beautiful public park that opened in 1880 (but has been around since the 16th century). It is the largest of the parks in Dublin's main Georgian garden squares; You can find a large lake spanning much of the length of the park, filled with ducks and other water fowl. There is also a garden for the blind with scented plants and are labels in Braille!

Coming from Conrad Hotel, you have Grafton Street right across the park. This is also the corner of the park where you'll find the 'Fusiliers' Arch', which commemorates the Royal Dublin Fusiliers who died in the Second Boer War (a war fought from Oct 1899 to May 1902 between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland on the one hand, and the South African Republic and the Orange Free State on the other. The war ended in victory for the British and the annexation of both republics).

If you want to further explore Dublin, below are the most renowned sites of Dublin.

MUSEUMS & MONUMENTS

Dublin Castle

Dublin Castle was founded in 1204 and remained for the next 800 years the main centre of English and British rule in Ireland. Today, this sprawling and fascinating complex houses a number of free museums, as well as formal quadrangles, the Gothic Chapel Royal, the Viking-era Undercroft and the splendidly ornate State Apartments, which once housed the court of the British Viceroy.

OPENING HOURS:

- Daily: 09:45 – 17:45

TICKETS:

- Guided tour: standard price €10 (includes the State Apartments, the Viking Excavation and the Chapel Royal)
- Self-guiding tour: standard price €7 (access to State Apartments and exhibitions only)

INFORMATION:

<http://www.dublincastle.ie/>

Trinity College - The Book of Kells

The campus is a masterpiece of architecture and landscaping beautifully preserved in Georgian aspect. Most of the buildings and statues date from the 18th and 19th centuries, each elegantly laid out on a cobbled or grassy square. The college's greatest treasures, however, are housed within the Old Library. The Book of Kells – a richly decorated Gospel manuscript with a tempestuous history dating back to the 9th century – is one of Ireland's great cultural treasures and is simply not to be missed.

OPENING HOURS:

- Monday to Saturday: 8:30 – 17:00
- Sunday: 9:30 – 17:00

TICKETS:

- Standard price varies according to time schedule €11 – 14
Book online: <https://www.tcd.ie/visitors/book-of-kells/buy-tickets/?ftredirect=1>

INFORMATION:

<https://www.tcd.ie/visitors/book-of-kells/>

Kilmainham Gaol

Kilmainham Gaol provides a strong context for some of the most dramatic episodes in Irish history. Many of Ireland's most notable national leaders were incarcerated and executed in the Stonebreakers' Yard of this grim 18th-century Panopticon-style prison. The imposing building next door is the former Kilmainham Courthouse, now restored as impressive new visitors' centre for the Gaol.

OPENING HOURS:

- Daily: 08:45 – 19:00

TICKETS:

- Standard price online: €8
- Standard price walk-in: €9

INFORMATION:

<http://www.heritageireland.ie/en/>

National Museum of Ireland – Decorative Arts and History

The National Museum of Ireland - Decorative Arts & History is a branch of the National Museum of Ireland located at the former Collins Barracks in the Arbour Hill area of Dublin. The main focus of the galleries is on arts, craft and wares, including exhibits on: Irish coins and currency, silverware, furniture, folklife and costumes, ceramics, and glassware. You can find artifacts such as Etruscan vases, gauntlets worn by King William at the Battle of the Boyne, a life belt and oar salvaged from the wreck of the RMS Lusitania and a pocket book carried by Wolfe Tone whilst imprisoned in the Barracks.

OPENING HOURS:

- Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00 – 17:00
- Sunday 14:00 – 17:00
- Closed Mondays

TICKETS:

- Admission to all four sites of the National Museum of Ireland is free

INFORMATION:

<https://www.museum.ie/Decorative-Arts-History>

National Gallery of Ireland

The National Gallery of Ireland houses the national collection of Irish and European art. It is located in the center of Dublin with one entrance on Merrion Square, beside Leinster House, and another on Clare Street. It was founded in 1854 and opened its doors ten years later. The Gallery has an extensive, representative collection of Irish paintings and is also notable for its Italian Baroque and Dutch masters painting.

OPENING HOURS:

- Monday - Saturday: 09:15 – 17:30
- Thursday: 09:15 – 20:30
- Sunday: 11:00 – 17:30

TICKETS:

- The general collection is free

INFORMATION:

<https://www.nationalgallery.ie/>

DUBLIN SHOPPING

Shopping in Dublin is a very enjoyable experience, nearly the whole city's shopping is pedestrianized and easy to stroll around. Irish glassware, jewellery and culinary delights are found scattered around the shops, while street performers and quieter back street pubs will invite you to retreat inside their cozy interiors.

Grafton Street

Brimming with international and local shops, ranging from global fashion to Irish crafts, Grafton Street is the most exclusive of all of Dublin's shopping areas. Located in the Castle Market district, the bustling pedestrian street is always full of shoppers, musicians and street performers.

Henry Street

Another pedestrianized zone, Henry Street has a great range of department stores and smaller shops. The whole area is easy to walk around, and you must look for the imposing structure known as The Spire, located on O'Connell Street – one of the newest monuments in the city. Some lovely cafés and quiet coffee shops are also in abundance around Henry Street; so, to escape the hustle and bustle of Grafton Street retreat here for a bit of respite.

Temple Bar

Cow's Lane Designer Market near Temple Bar, with over 60 stalls covering all ranges of clothes and accessories, is open all year round – just moving inside during the winter. Nearby, the Winding Stair is the highlight of all the book shops in Dublin, filled with students and scholars; be sure to peruse through their fascinating selection of leather-bound tomes and paperbacks.

Stephen's Green Shopping Centre

One of Dublin's most prominent shopping centres, Stephen's Green is located in the heart of the city centre at the south end of Grafton Street. Inside, visitors will find more than 100 outlets selling clothing, accessories, gifts, books, food and much more. The shopping centre is open seven days a week and is considered by many to be a must for any visitor to the city centre.

GIRP MOBILE APPLICATION



The **GIRP Events** Mobile Application is the ultimate digital tool to guide you through the Annual Meeting & Conference. The app provides up-to-the-minute updates and info on the event. Sessions, speakers, sponsors, participants, maps and practical information, it can all be found in the GIRP Event App. Thanks to the interactive features of the GIRP Event App, you can also post comments or questions and connect with other participants.

With the GIRP Mobile Application, GIRP wants to ensure smooth and swift communication and at the same time contribute to a more sustainable environment.

Networking

Log in to your account using your Registration Code in order to create, share and exchange your digital business card. You can also connect via LinkedIn and Facebook.

Schedule

See the full social event and business schedule with session times, descriptions, speakers and room names. Tap the "Add to Schedule" icon within your favourite sessions to create a personalised agenda. The agenda can be found in the pull-out tab at the top of the event home screen.

Activity Feed

Under the Activity Feed, you can join the conversation by posting comments in the Event Feed. Follow the latest tweets from @GIRPBrussels or about the event (#GIRPAMC) on the Social Wall and get news and update notifications during the event in the Notifications tab.

App and Event Info

Want to discover the full possibility of the GIRP App? Or having problems using the App? Find all the information in the *About This App* section.

To know more about the event and its practical details, such as Registration Desk Opening Hours, Wi-Fi instructions, go into the *Event Info* section.

App Questions?

Need help on your account? Visit the GIRP Welcome Desk!

OTHER REMARKS

Language Remark

English is the common language spoken in Dublin, Gaelic is the indigenous Irish language. Though the street signs and sign posts are bilingual, Gaelic is not actively used for conversations anymore.

Currency

The currency used in Ireland is the Euro.

Power Plug

The main format of power plugs in use are the UK-style three-pins. However, the rooms in the Conrad Hotel are equipped also with the European three-pin plugs as well as USB docking stations.



The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz. For our non-European guests, it is recommended to bring a power plug adapter and possibly also a voltage converter.

Shuttle Bus to Restaurants

The restaurant of the Gala Dinner is within walking distance from the Conrad Hotel. However, for those who prefer, GIRP has foreseen shuttle buses from the hotel.

For the Informal Dinner and the Welcome Dinner, shuttle busses will be ready outside the hotel.