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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Council of Europe Conference
**“Promoting Human Rights of People with Disabilities:
Ambitions, Impact and Challenges ahead”**

Dublin, Ireland, 5-6 November 2015

Conference venue



The Royal Hospital Kilmainham (RHK)
Military Road, Dublin 8

One of the finest 17th century buildings in Ireland, a historic and tranquil haven set in 48 acres in the city of Dublin.

Tel: + 3531 6129900
E-mail: info@rhk.ie
Website: <http://www.rhk.ie>

Timetable

Day 1:

8.30 - 9.00 am Registration/refreshments

9.30 - 1.00 pm Conference will open with various speakers and an open discussion

1.00 - 2.30 pm Lunch

2.30 - 6.00 pm Various speakers followed by an open discussion

7.00 pm You are invited to a conference dinner and cultural evening at the RHK

Day 2:

8.30 - 9.00 am Refreshments

9.00 - 12.00 Conference will open with various speakers and an open discussion followed by the closing address

[For details, see programme]

Fees

There is no registration fee.

Interpretation

Simultaneous interpretation in English/French; Irish and British Sign Language will be provided.

Travel and accommodation

Please see your personal letter.

Nearby hotels: Ashling, the Radisson Blu Royal, Hilton Kilmainham and Maldron Smithfield (see useful links)

[Map](#)

Lunches and dinners

All participants are invited to lunch on 5 November, and to the Conference dinner and cultural evening on 5 November.

Useful links

Conference website:

<http://www.coe.int/Disability-Conference-2015>

Council of Europe's website:

[The Rights of Persons with Disabilities](#)

Department of Justice and Equality of Ireland:

[Dept. of Justice and Equality](#)

City of Dublin:

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

Hotels:

www.ashlinghotel.ie

www.hiltondublinskilmainham.com

www.maldronhotelsmithfield.com

www.radissonblu.com/en/royalhotel-dublin

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Directions to Royal Hospital Kilmainham (RHK)

The RHK is situated in Dublin City opposite Heuston train station, adjacent to the M50, Dublin Airport (22 km) and the main national routes. The entrance is via Military Road. Delegates must arrange their own transportation between the airport and their accommodation.

Transport From/To Airport

Taxis are available from the forecourts directly outside Terminals 1 and 2 and Taxi signage is displayed throughout the terminals. A taxi dispatcher is available at each taxi rank if you require further information or assistance.

The taxi fare from the airport to the RHK is approximately €30-€35.

The [Dublin Bus Airlink 747](#) takes a direct route into the city. The fares are currently €6 one way and €10 return.

By bus from city centre: Buses to Heuston Station (5 minutes walk via Military Rd): 26 from Wellington Quay; 51, 79 from Aston Quay; 90 Dart Feeder Bus from Connolly and Tara Street Stations to Heuston Station. Buses to James St (5 minutes walk via steps to Bow Lane onto Irwin St and Military Rd): 123 from O'Connell St/Dame St; 51B, 78A from Aston Quay.

By car: 10 minute drive from city centre. Unlimited free car parking.

By train: 5 minute walk from Heuston Station; from Connolly and Tara Street Stations by 90 bus to Heuston Station.

By Luas: Red line to Heuston Station, 5 minute walk to RHK entrance on Military Road.

General information about Ireland

Languages: Irish and English are the official languages of Ireland. English is mainly spoken.

Local Time: Irish Time is GMT

Currency: the currency of Ireland is the Euro.

ATMs & Credit Cards: All major banks in Ireland have automatic teller machines (ATMs) in most cities and towns. Major credit cards are accepted almost everywhere.

Electricity supply: The electricity supply in Ireland is 230 volts, a.c. 50 Hz.

Adaptors upon request from the reception.

Smoking: Smoking is prohibited in all indoor public places.

Emergency Numbers: Call 999 or 112, the EU-wide emergency number for police, fire department and ambulance.

Dial Code for Ireland: +353

Telephone Directory Assistance: 11850, 11890, 11818.

Late night Pharmacy: South Circular Pharmacy, 80 South Circular Road, Dublin 8, Tel: :01-4537069, Mon-Fri: 9.30 am - 10 pm, Sat and Sun : 10 am - 10 pm

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Accessibility



Luas is a state-of-the-art Light Rail Transit System which is compliant with current accessibility and environmental standards for transport systems, it offers accessibility for all. The closest Luas Stop for the **Royal Hospital Kilmainham** is [Heuston](#), from here the venue is just an 8 minute walk. To download a walking map [click here](#)

Taxi service companies with specially adapted vehicles

An advance booking of 24 hours is requested.

NRC Taxi's: 353 (0)1 677 2222

Expert Digi Taxi's 353 (0)1 667 0777

Places of interest in Dublin



Trinity college was founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth. Among many famous students to attend the college were playwrights Oliver Goldsmith and Samuel Beckett. Trinity's lawns and cobbled quads provide a pleasant haven in the heart of the city. The major attractions are the Old Library and the **Book of Kells**, housed in the Old Library.



Deaf Village Ireland is an inclusive state of the art social, administration, religious, community, sports, heritage and educational complex providing a range of facilities for both Deaf and hearing people.

Deaf Village Ireland is Deaf led with a unique integrated communication ethos where both Irish Sign Language (ISL) and spoken English are used.



Aras an Uachtarán is the residence of the President of Ireland. Guided tours are available (which last one hour) and include an introductory film at the Phoenix Park Visitor Centre, return transport to an tÁras, tour of the exhibition centre and the main state reception rooms.

Built in 1792, Kilmainham Gaol is Ireland's most famous disused prison. The leaders of the 1916 Easter Rising were executed here. The prison was closed in 1924. This building gives a good insight into the history of Irish Republicanism.



St. Michan's Church was largely rebuilt in 1686 on the site of an 11th century

Hiberno-Viking church, the dull façade of St. Michan's hides a more exciting interior. Deep in its vaults lie a number of bodies that have barely decomposed because of the dry atmosphere created by the church's magnesian limestone walls. Their wooden caskets, however, have cracked open. Revealing the preserved bodies, complete with skin and strands of hair.