



Tuesday August 20th Morning Session

09.00 - 10.00 Registration

10.00 **Chair:** Michael Mulvey PhD, President DkIT

10.15 **Keynote:** David A. Wilson, National Biographer of Canada, Toronto — “*D’Arcy McGee: The Making of a Moderate*”

10.45 Mark O’Neill, President & CEO, Canadian Museum of History, Ottawa. — “*A D’Arcy McGee exhibit for Ireland*”

11.15 Dr. Ruth Dudley Edwards, Historian & Journalist

11.45 Coffee Break

12.00 Open Forum

12.45 Lunch

Tuesday August 20th Afternoon Session

14.00 **Cross Border Co-operation since 1998 - a quiet Success Story of the Good Friday Agreement.**

Through our diverse panel, we explore a range of dimensions of Cross Border Co-operation over the last 21 years, both at public and private sector levels. The conversation will allow a deeper look behind the issues in play now in the area in the context of Brexit.

Panel Chair: Tim O’Connor, former Joint Secretary, North South Ministerial Council

Michael D’Arcy, Co-editor, “Border Crossings”, Adviser to IBEC

Sharon McMahon, CEO, the Loughs Agency

Sighle Fitzgerald, Joint Secretary, North South Ministerial Council

Mary Madden, former Joint Secretary, North South Ministerial Council

15.30 Open Forum

16.00 Conclusion

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18.00 **Reception at Thomas D’Arcy McGee Exhibition Centre - Cross Border/Community Piping Bands display. Reception and presentation to Pat O’Callaghan.** Citation, Ray Bassett, Former Irish Ambassador to Canada.

19.30 **The Trial of the Gaelic Lords of Ulster** (Con O’Neill, last Irish Lord of East Belfast) before the Court of History.

21.30 **Folk ‘n Trad Nite**, with Gerry O’Connor & Nuala Kennedy & Friends

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09.30 **Politicians’ Forum, Welcome; Jim D’Arcy**, Special Advisor to An Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar, on Northern Ireland and Brexit

Chair: Eamonn Mallie, broadcaster, journalist and author

Brexit; Back to the Future

Panel: EU Commissioner Phil Hogan

Sir Jeffery Donaldson, DUP MP

Bríd Rodgers, SDLP

Claire Sugden, MLA, Ind. Unionist

Conor Murphy, Sinn Féin MLA

11.30 Open Forum

12.25 Debate Conclusion

12.30 Summary Remarks, David A. Wilson, National Biographer of Canada

13.00 Carriages