



SILAS Conference: Galway, 27-30 June 2007

**Adventurers, Emissaries and Settlers: Ireland and Latin America**

**Conference Schedule**

**Venue:** *except where otherwise indicated, all events will take place at the Centre for Irish Studies, Seminar Room, Distillery Road, NUI Galway main campus.*

**Wednesday 27 June**

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| 12.30-2.00pm | Lunch provided on NUI, Galway Campus (College Restaurant <i>An Bhialann</i> )  |
| 1.00-2.00pm  | SILAS Executive Committee meeting (lunch)  |
| 2.00pm       | Arrival and SILAS conference registration.   |
| 2.30-3.30pm  | <p><b>Panel One: <i>Historiography</i></b><br/>           Chair: Mary Harris (NUI, Galway)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laragh Neelin (Dublin): ‘Eric T.D. Lambert: First researcher of the Irish in Latin America’</li> <li>• Edmundo Murray (University of Zurich): ‘Contrasting histories: Discourses in Irish Latin American studies’</li> </ul>   |
| 3.30-4.00pm  | Coffee   |
| 4.00-6.00pm  | <p><b>Panel Two: <i>Origins</i></b><br/>           Chair: Mary Harris (NUI, Galway)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Igor Pérez Tostado (Universidad Pablo de Olavide, Seville): ‘Why did the Irish migrate to the Spanish Caribbean in the 17th century?’</li> <li>• Diego Téllez (Universidad de La Rioja): ‘Mr. Edward Wall: An Irishman in the River Plate (1756-62)’</li> <li>• Fiona Clark (Queen's University Belfast) : ‘Daniel O’Sullivan (1760-96): An Irish military physician in late colonial Mexico’</li> <li>• Jorge L. China (Wayne State University): ‘Jaime O’Daly y Blake: An enlightened Hispanicised Irish planter-administrator in late Bourbon Puerto Rico, 1776-1829’</li> </ul> |
| 8.00pm       | <p>Optional: Colonialism Conference Plenary Lecture: Patrick Wolfe (Victoria University, Melbourne): ‘Beyond the Pale(stine) of Settlement: Settler Colonialism, Its Barriers and Its Contradictions’ (IT Building Room 250).</p> <p>Drinks at Ward’s Hotel, Lower Salthill Road.</p>  |

## Thursday 28 June

9:00 - 10.30am

### **Panel Three: *Settlement Schemes I***

Chair: Claire Healy (Immigrant Council of Ireland, Dublin)

- Orla Power (NUI, Galway): 'Irish Catholic planters in the Caribbean: Montserrat and St. Croix 1747-75'
- Louise O'Connor (Texas): 'False Claims and Sacred Lands: Irish Colonies in Mexican Texas'
- Oliver Marshall (University of Oxford): 'The "Brazilians" of Saint John: New Brunswick and the Irish Diaspora'

10.30-11.00am

Coffee

11.00am-12.30pm

### **Panel Four: *Settlement Schemes II***

Chair: Oliver Marshall (Centre for Brazilian Studies, University of Oxford)

- Martín Pérez Acevedo (Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo): 'The Irish in Mexico during the Porfiriato (1876-1910): A description of a minority migration.'
- Juan Pablo Alvarez Pearce (Buenos Aires) and Santiago Delfín Boland (Bahía Blanca): 'La Vitícola, the Irish colony of Napostá 1889-91, the largest foreign colony in the history of Bahía Blanca'
- Claire Healy (Dublin): 'Ao outro lado: Latin American migration to Ireland, 1973-2006'

12.30-1.30pm

Lunch provided on NUI, Galway campus (IT Building Lobby)

1.30-2.30pm

### ***SILAS Annual General Meeting***

2.30-4.00pm

### **Panel Five: *Journalism***

Chair: Arnold R. Highfield (University of the Virgin Islands, St. Croix)

- Félix Flores Varona (Universidad Ciego de Ávila, Cuba): 'The Irish element in José Martí's New York Chronicles'
- Peter Hulme (University of Essex): 'James J. O'Kelly in Cuba'
- Ana M. Castello (Universidad Católica Argentina): 'Community press and local politics (1875-80): Towards the formation of a "Hiberno-Argentine" political opinion?'

3.30-4.00pm

Coffee

4.00-6.00pm

### **Panel Six: *Business and employment***

Chair: Derrick Marcus (São Paulo)

- Moises-Enrique Rodriguez (Vevey): 'Freedom's mercenaries'
- Gera Burton (University of Missouri-Columbia): "'A contagion of liberty": Richard Robert Madden in the Caribbean'
- Margaret Brehony (NUI, Galway): '*Los irlandeses* in Cuba: Irish railroad workers in Cuba 1835-40'
- Lawrence Clayton (University of Alabama): 'Adapting to conditions: W. R. Grace & Co. in Latin America'

7.00pm

SILAS Reception sponsored by the Brazilian Embassy to Ireland and Smurfit Kappa Group plc. Announcement of ILARF Grant Awards.

8.00pm

Optional: Colonialism Conference Plenary Lecture: Elleke Boehmer (Royal Holloway, University of London): 'Where We Belong: South Africa as Settler Colony and the Battle over Indigeneity' (IT Building Room 250).

Drinks at Ward's Hotel, Lower Salthill Road.

## Friday 29 June

9.00-10.30am

### **Panel Seven: *Diplomacy***

Chair: Laura Izarra (Universidade de São Paulo and SILAS President)

- Lourdes De Ita (Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo) and Linda Ruíz (Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo): 'Irish travellers judged by the Inquisition in colonial Mexico'
- Lesley Wylie (University of Essex): 'Roger Casement and two Putumayo Indians'
- María Eugenia Cruset (Universidad Nacional de La Plata): 'Diplomacy and Diasporas: The Irish-Argentine case'

10.30-11.00am

Coffee

11.00am-12.30pm

### **Panel Eight: *Identities***

Chair: Derrick Marcus (São Paulo)

- Seamus King (Ireland): 'The game of hurling among the Irish in Argentina 1890-1950.'
- Hugh Fitzgerald Ryan (Ireland): 'Christian Brothers in Carrasco, Uruguay'
- Paula Migo and Andrés Bisso (La Plata, Argentina): 'Saint Patrick's Day Celebrations in the Argentine province of Buenos Aires during the Twentieth Century'

12.30-2.00pm

Lunch provided on NUI, Galway campus (College Restaurant *An Bhialann*)

2.00-3.30pm

### **Panel Nine: *Literature***

Chair: Edmundo Murray (University of Zurich)

- Patricia Novillo-Corvalan (Birkbeck College, University of London): "'Fallen on his feet in Buenos Aires": Ulysses in Argentina'
- Laura Izarra (Universidade de São Paulo): 'Letters and diaries from South America: A "New Ireland"?'

3.30-4.00pm

Coffee

4.00-5.30pm

Roundtable discussion & Conference Close

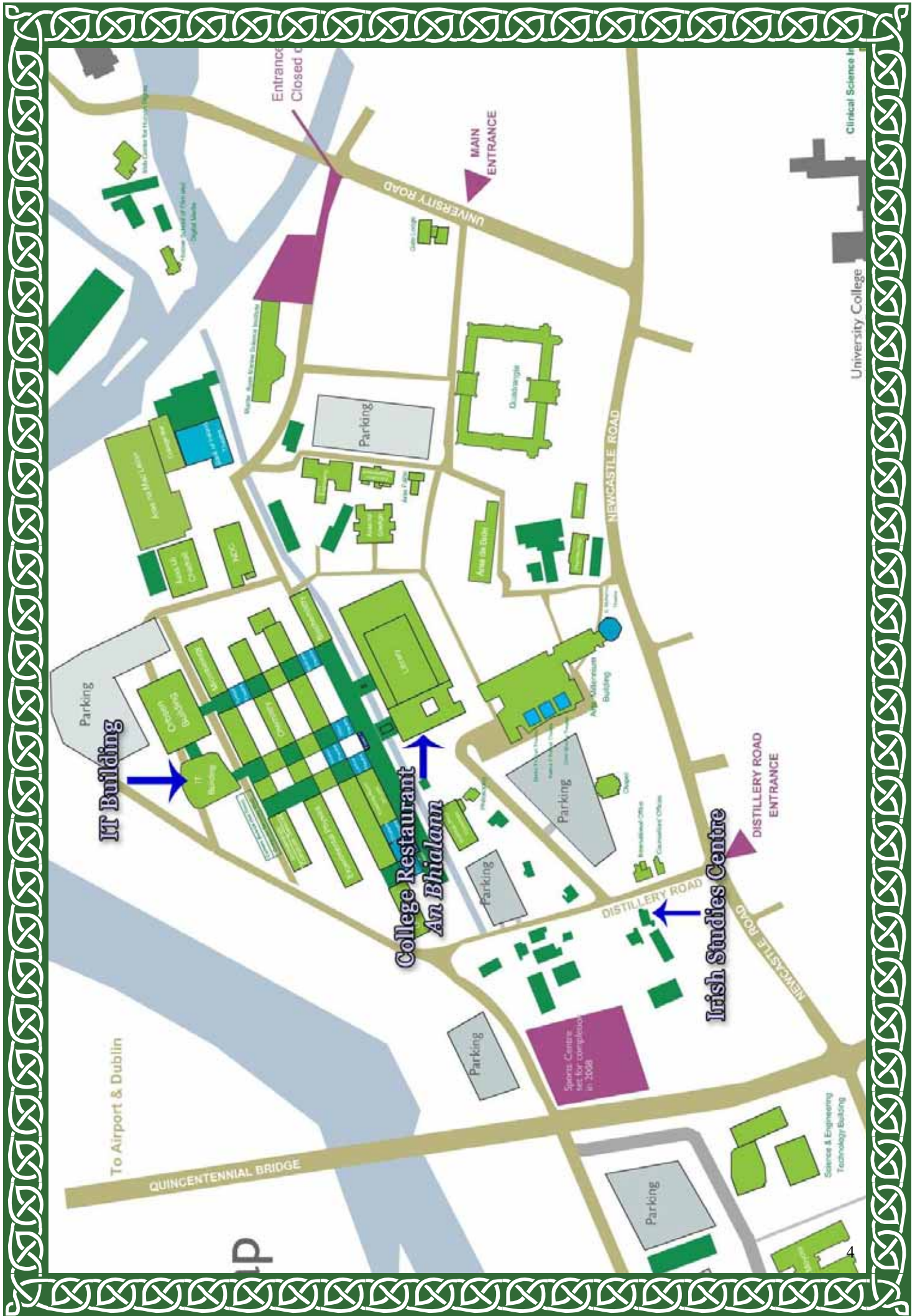
8.00pm

Optional: Colonialism Conference Plenary Lecture: Saree Makdisi (University of California, Los Angeles): 'Zionism Then and Now' (IT Building Room 250).

Drinks at Ward's Hotel, Lower Salthill Road.

**Note:** Louise O'Connor's short film *The Mexican/Irish Relationship in South Texas* will be available by arrangement. Delegates may also attend any panels they wish of the Fifth Galway Conference on Colonialism.

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