



Wednesday 8th May 2024

Knightsbrook Hotel Spa & Golf Resort
Dublin Road, Trim, Co. Meath, C15 WYF4

Session 1

Chairperson: Mr Adrian Kelly, Chief Fire Officer, Clare County Fire & Rescue Service

- 9:10 - 9:20 **Introduction by Conference Secretary**
- 9:20 - 9:30 **Welcome Address:**
Cllr. Tommy Reilly, Cathaoirleach of Meath County Council
- 9:30 - 9:45 **Opening Address:**
Darragh O'Brien TD, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- 9:45 - 9:55 **Address of Chief Executive:**
Kieran Kehoe, Chief Executive, Meath County Council
- 9:55 - 10:15 **Address of Chairperson of Chief Fire Officers' Association:**
Dennis Keely, Chief Fire Officer, Dublin Fire Brigade
- 10:15 - 10:45 **Fire Services in Ireland – A National Directorate Perspective:**
Presentation by Keith Leonard – Director, NDFEM, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Ireland
- 10:45 - 11:45 **Fire Technology Exhibition & Coffee – Exhibitors Hall**
- 11:45 - 12:20 **Fire Service Culture- Independent Culture Review of London Fire Brigade and other learnings:** Presentation by Chancellor Nazir Afzal OBE
- 12:20 - 12:30 **Update on Women's Fire Service Network and Launch of WFSN Newsletter:** Presentation by Anthea Browne, Chair of Women's Fire Service Network and ACFO with Kildare Fire Service

12:30 - 14:00 **Lunch & Exhibition**

Session 2

Chairperson: Mr Gerry O' Malley, Chief Fire Officer, Galway County Council Fire & Rescue Service

- 14:00 - 14:35 **Communicating Effectively for Progressive Emergency Services:**
Presentation by Gavin Duffy, Entrepreneur, Dragon and Corporate Consultant
- 14:40 - 15:15 **Leadership in US Fire Services and What' s Topical Stateside:**
Presentation by Rachael Staebell, Vice President Women in Fire USA
- 15:15 - 15:45 **Fire Technology Exhibition & Coffee – Exhibition Hall**
- 15:45 - 16:00 **Tech Talk 1 – Blackberry Athoc**
- 16:00 - 16:35 **Overview of Fire Safety Developments in EU:** Presentation by Finian Joyce, The Federation of European Fire Officers Developments in Europe & Leadership Development
- 16:40 - 16:55 **Round Up & Panel Discussion** (all presenters from Day 1)

17:00 **Close**

18:45 - depart **Chief Fire Officers' Association Annual Gala Dinner (Black Tie):**
Trim Castle Hotel, Co. Meath.

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Chairperson: Ms Marian Coakley, Chief Fire Officer, Sligo Fire & Rescue Service

- 9:10 - 9:40 **Leadership that Inspires:** Presentation by Sean Boylan, Former Meath Football Manager & Herbalist
- 9:45 - 10:20 **Diversity & Inclusion in Fire & Rescue Services:** Presentation by Mira Leinonen, CTIF (International Association of Fire and Rescue Services), Commission on Women in Fire & Rescue Services
- 10:20 - 11:00 **Fire Technology Exhibition & Coffee – Exhibitors Hall**
- 11:00 - 11:35 **ISO 17840 First Worldwide Vehicle Rescue Standard –CTIF Project:**
Presentation by Mikko Saastamoinen, CTIF (International Association of Fire and Rescue Services), Commission on Extrication & New Technology
- 11:40 - 12:15 **What are you taking home - Firefighter Cancer Risks, Prevention and Awareness:** Presentation by John Lord, Managing Director of Sim Trainer UK, Former Firefighter and Cancer Awareness Campaigner
- 12:15 - 12:30 **Tech Talk 2 – Fire Service Rota**

12:30 - 14:00 **Lunch & Exhibition**

Session 4

Chairperson: Mr John Collins, Chief Fire Officer, Kilkenny County Council Fire & Rescue Service

- 14:00 - 14:35 **Are emerging Sustainable Technologies Fire Safe?:** Presentation by Grunde Jomaas, FRISSE ERA Chair Holder & Head of Department for Research for Fire-Safe Sustainable Environment at Slovenian National Building & Civil Engineering Institute
- 14:40 - 14:55 **Tech Talk 3 – Motorola Solutions**
- 14:55 - 15:30 **Exhibition & Coffee**
- 15:30 - 15:55 **Building Standards Developments in Fire Safety:** Presented by Eoin O'Dowd, Building Standards Advisor with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- 16:00 - 16:30 **Panel Discussion on Positive Workplace Culture** (all available presenters)

17:00 **Round up & Close**



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