WEDNESDAY, 10 JULY

1:00-2:15 – Registration (Quinn Building – Concourse)

2:15 - Conference Opening by Professor Máire Ní Annracháin

2:30-4:00 - Session 1

Session 1a Chair: tbd

David WOODS (University College Cork)

The Agnus Dei Penny of Aethelred II Re-considered:

a call to hope in the Lord (Isaiah 40)?

Jennifer FARRELL (University College Dublin)

The Historia Regum Britanniae of Geoffrey of Monmouth:

audience and motivation

Nóirín NÍ BHEAGLAOI (University College Cork)

Opus Completum et Correctum: the revision of Gerald of Wales's History and Topography of Ireland

Session 1b Chair: Meidhbhín Ní Úrdail

Roy FLECHNER (University College Dublin)

Freedom and Unfreedom in Early Medieval Ireland: some questions of definition

Caoimhín Breatnach (University College Dublin)

The Annals of Ulster: manuscript sources and misconceptions

Tatiana Shingurova (Russian State University for the Humanities)

Toponymic Aspects of Medieval Munster in Forbuis Droma

Damhghaire

4:00-4:30 - Break

4:30-5:30 - Session 2

Session 2 Chair: Aidan O'Sullivan

Stephen HARRISON (Trinity College Dublin)

Forgotten Vikings? Women and the Irish Landnam

Nora BERMINGHAM (TVAS Ireland, Ltd)

The Drumclay Crannog

6:00 – Reception Staff Common Room (B104, Newman Building)

THURSDAY, 11 JULY

9:30-11:00 - Session 3

Session 3a Chair: Elizabeth Boyle

Sarah CORRIGAN (NUI Galway)

A Hisperic Enigma Machine: deciphering sea creatures and sources in the *Hisperica famina*

Elaine Pereira Farrell (University College Dublin)

Who Were the 'Bestial Men' in Early Medieval Ireland?

Nathan MILLIN (University College Dublin)

'Like Lightning from Heaven': an early Irish commentary on the fall of Lucifer

Session 3b Chair: Muiris O'Sullivan

Michael GIBBONS (Field Archaeologist, Clifden)

Aspects of the Pilgrimage Tradition on Caher Island and St Mac Dara's Island

Paolo TAVIANI (University of L'Aquila)

The Value of Water in the Pilgrimage Tradition of St. Patrick's Purgatory

David McGuinness (Archaeological/Historical Researcher)

Archaeology, Folk Tradition, and the Reconstruction of Irish Early Medieval Pilgrimage Landscapes: the evidence of bullaun stones

11:00-11:30 - Break

11:30-1:00 — Session 4

Session 4a Chair: Elva Johnston

Colin Ireland (Arcadia University, Dublin)

Was Aldfrith/Flann Fína Educated at Bangor?

Denis CASEY (EURIAS Fellow, Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies)

Cormac mac Cuilennáin – king, bishop, fake?

Aideen O'LEARY (University of Aberdeen)

'Soldiers Strong in the Strife': Blathmac, Cynewulf, and the Passions of the Apostles

Session 4b Chair: Caoimhín Breatnach

Patrick McCafferty (Queen's University Belfast)

Newgrange, Knowth and Dowth: Ireland's earliest christian sites? Karina HENSEL (NUI Galway)

The Bejewelled Sacred Trees: kiškanu, crux gemmata, the Otherworld

Simon EGAN (University College Cork) Aedh Ruadh O'Donnell and the emergence of the O'Donnell 'empire', 1451-1507

1:00-2:30 - LUNCH

2:30-4:00 - Session 5

Session 5a Chair: Liam Breatnach

Aaron Griffith (University of Vienna)

How to Gloss a Manuscript: the view from Bobbio

Juliana ROOST (University College Dublin)

Stages of Language Development in the Old Irish Glosses on Priscian

Emanuela SANFELICI (Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt)

Direct Perception Predicates and their Complements in Middle Irish

Session 5b Chair: tbd

Rosemary POWER (NUI Galway)

Norse Sources for Ireland: revisiting the battle of Clontarf

Deirdre McALISTER (NUI Maynooth)

The Children of Viking-Age Dublin

Paul MACCOTTER (University College Cork)

The 'late-túath' in pre-Norman Ireland

4:00-4:30 - Break

4:30-5:30 – Session 6: Plenary Lecture

Anthony HARVEY (Royal Irish Academy)
'Strongholds and Small Monsters:
Identifying Precise Vocabulary in the Medieval Latin of the Celts'

FRIDAY, 12 JULY

9:30-11:00 - Session 7

Session 7a Chair: Michael Ryan

Riona DOOLAN (University College Cork)

Mills and Mill-races: uniting the evidence from the early Irish laws and archaeology

Maureen DOYLE (University College Dublin)

Displaying Status through Dress in Early Medieval Ireland

Niamh WYCHERLEY (University College Dublin)

'Wonder-working Insignia': the authority of relics in early Christian Ireland

Session 7b Chair: Uáitéar Mac Gearailt

Eystein THANISCH (University of Edinburgh)

A Medieval Gaelic Poem on 'First Things' and the Literary Afterlives of Flann Mainistrech and Mael Sechnaill mac Domnaill

Eoin Ó DONNCHADHA (University College Dublin)

Appraising Praise: re-examining the Old Irish fragmentary poem beginning 'Luin oc elaib'

Caroline GEHER (University of Vienna)

Dos and Don'ts in the King's Hall: etiquette and social hierarchy at early medieval Irish courts

11:00-11:30 - Break

11:30-1:00 - Session 8

Session 8a Chair: Colin Ireland

Anna MATHESON (University of Nantes)

Etymological Glosses and the Significance of *Boibre*, *Buic(n)e*, and *Boicmell* in Dubhaltach Óg Mac Fhirbhisigh's Unpublished Legal Dictionary

Kathryn O'NEILL (Harvard University)

Virginal Sacrifice? Examining the tale of Rícenn and Cairech Dercáin

Vera POTOPAEVA (Moscow State University)

'The Story of the Abbot of Druimenaig, who was Changed into a Woman': transexualism and law

Session 8b Chair: John McCafferty

Edward COLEMAN (University College Dublin)

Taking the Cross in Thirteenth-Century Ireland: the Hiberno-Norman nobility and the Crusade to the Holy Land

Anne F. Sutton (Historian emerita, Mercers' Company, London)
Richard III and Ireland: incorporation and self-determination
Luciano Piffanelli (University of Rome)

Chomperai Uno Altro Podere — Gaining Power through the Soil in Renaissance Florence: Bongianni Gianfigliazzi's estate and his political ascent

1:00-2:30 - LUNCH

2:30-3:30 - Session 9

Session 9 Chair: Elizabeth O'Brien

Conor McDermott/Graeme Warren (University College Dublin)
Recent Archaeological Fieldwork in the Glendalough Valley, Co.
Wicklow

Paul DUFFY (Director, Grassroots Archaeology)

'Bring us in Good Ale': evidence for medieval brewing near
Balbriggan, Co. Dublin

3:30-4:00 ICM Business Meeting

4:00-4:30 - Break

4:30-5:30 – Session 10: Plenary Lecture

Máire HERBERT (University College Cork) 'Scottish Kings and Irish Historical Tales'

7:15 — Conference Dinner O'CONNELL'S RESTAURANT, DONNYBROOK