

***'A safe place for ships': Cork, Ireland, Europe and the Sea***

**Maritime History Conference**

**University College Cork**

**Friday, 28 November – Saturday, 29 November 2014**

*Main Campus: Electrical Engineering BLDG, L-1, UCC*

Friday, 28 November

*Session 1: 1:40 – 3:05 pm, Islands in the stream, Chair: Dr Valerie Cummins (Director, IMERC)*

Dr Diarmuid Scully (UCC): Visions of Ireland as a holy or savage island on medieval maps

Dr Simon Mercieca (Univ. of Malta): Travelling in the Central Mediterranean in Early Modern times: the networking of a north-south Axis

Prof. Michela D'Angelo (Univ. of Messina): European islands and maritime trade: England, Ireland and Sicily in the Napoleonic Wars

*Break: 3:05 – 3:15 pm*

*Session 2: 3:15 – 4:45 pm, From the Spanish Armada to pirate fleets: Wrecks and survivors in Early Modern Ireland, Chair, Cmdr Brian Fitzgerald (Irish Naval Service)*

Francis Kelly (UCC) : Captain Francisco de Cuéllar, Spanish Atlantic expeditions and Ireland, 1578-1588

John Treacy (MIC): The San Marcos Project: The search for an Armada shipwreck in Co. Clare

Dr Connie Kelleher (UCC): When pirates ruled the waves: The golden age of piracy in West Cork

*Break: 4:45 – 5:00 pm*

*Plenary: 5:00 – 6:00 pm, Ireland in the Viking Atlantic, Prof. Donnchadh Ó Corráin (UCC)*

*Wine Reception: 6:00 – 7:00 pm*

## **Saturday, 29 November**

*Session 3: 10:00 – 11:30 am: Protecting Ireland from enemies foreign and domestic, Chair, Virginia Teehan (UCC)*

Damian Shiels (Rubicon Heritage Archaeology): The Royal Navy, Martello Towers, and coastal defence fortifications in County Cork

Jerome Devitt (TCD): "Safe for whom, Safe from whom?": The Royal Navy and Mid-Victorian Ireland

Daire Brunicardi (NMCI) – The Naval Station in Cork Harbour

*Break: 11:30 – 11:45 am*

*Session 4: 11:45 – 1:15 pm: Merchants, missionaries, and migrants*

Dr Susan Flavin (TCD): Commodities and commerce: The dynamics of trade in Sixteenth-Century Munster

Dr Brian Jackson (Carlow IT): Merchants, missionaries and the marine

Prof Clair Connolly (UCC): Scale-making in Jonathan Swift's Holyhead journal

*Lunch: 1:15 – 2:30 pm*

*Session 5: 2:30 – 3:30 pm, The Great War at Sea, Chair, Capt Michael McCarthy (Port of Cork)*

Prof Dr. Jürgen Elvert (Aarhus Inst. of Adv.Studies): Westward bound: The location of German naval ports as mirrors of changing maritime awareness in Imperial Germany

Dr John Borgonovo (UCC): Return of the Mayflower: Cork & the US Navy, 1917-1918

*Break: 3:30 – 3:45 pm*

*Plenary: 3:45 – 4:45 pm: Ireland and the Western Approaches, 1914-1918, Prof. Eric Grove (Liverpool Hope Univ)*

*Roundtable Discussion: 4:45 – 5:30 pm: Cork Harbour: Past, present and future?*

