Welcome

On behalf of the XXV World Congress of the International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE) organising committee, we would like to warmly welcome you to Ireland. The XXV World Congress is brought to you by the National Centre of Excellence for Home Economics, ATU St Angelas, Sligo, Ireland and the International Federation for Home Economics.

The theme of the Congress is ‘Home Economics in a Time of Transformation: Bridging the Past - Charting the Future’. Home Economics, as a field of study was founded in 1899, and, as we gather to celebrate the 25th World Congress in Ireland we have an exciting opportunity to advance ideas related to the conference theme. The week of the Congress is an opportunity for delegates to hear esteemed keynote speakers; engage in enriching concurrent sessions, poster sessions, workshops, symposia; view exhibits; as well as participate in social and cultural events such as the technical tours; opening welcome reception; opening ceremony; gala banquet and Céili; and the closing ceremony.

We are delighted to welcome our esteemed keynote speakers and look forward eagerly to their valuable input: Prof Maurie Cohen; Prof Daniel Fischer; Prof Pat Dolan; Prof Manisha Anantharaman; Prof Etienne and Prof Beverly Wenger-Trayner; Prof Viv Ellis; Prof Tim Lang; and Prof Louise Dye. Full details on all keynote speakers is available at www.ifhe2024.com where booking for a range of exciting Technical excursions is also now open.

We hope that you will have an informative and professionally rewarding week; and that you also have some time to meet new and old friends and enjoy our beautiful country. We warmly welcome you to Ireland and we look forward to meeting you at the 25th IFHE Congress for a very memorable and enriching experience.

Céad mile fáilte, a hundred thousand welcomes

Yours sincerely,

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Schedule of Days

**Sunday 23rd June**
- 12:00 - 18:30 Registration Desk Open
- 14:00 - 17:00 IFHE Council Delegate Assembly
- 18:30 - 20:00 Welcome Reception

**Monday 24th June**
- 8:40 - 9:30 Opening Ceremony
- 9:30 - 10:15 Keynote: Prof Maurie Cohen
- 10:15 - 11:00 Keynote: Prof Daniel Fischer
- 11:00 - 11:30 Wellness Break & Poster Viewing
- 11:30 - 13:00 Research Sessions (concurrent, workshops, symposia)
- 13:00 - 14:15 Lunch & Poster Sessions
- 14:15 - 16:15 Research Sessions (concurrent, workshops, symposia)

**Tuesday 25th June**
- 9:00 - 9:30 Wellness Activity
- 9:30 - 10:15 Keynote: Prof Pat Dolan
- 10:15 - 11:00 Keynote: Dr Manisha Anantharaman
- 11:00 - 11:30 Wellness Break & Poster Viewing
- 11:30 - 13:00 Research Sessions (concurrent, workshops, symposia)
- 13:00 - 14:15 Lunch
- 14:15 - 15:15 Programme Committee Meetings
- 15:15 - 16:45 Research Sessions (concurrent, workshops, symposia)
- 16:45 - 17:15 International Junior Forum Meeting
- 17:15 - 20:00 Young Professional Networking (Offsite)

**Wednesday 26th June**
- All Day Technical Tours

**Thursday 27th June**
- 9:00 - 9:30 Wellness Activity
- 9:30 - 10:15 Keynote: Prof Viv Ellis
- 10:15 - 11:00 Keynote: Dr Etienne and Dr Beverly Wenger-Trayner
- 11:00 - 11:30 Wellness Break & Poster Viewing
- 11:30 - 13:00 Council Committee Meetings
- 13:00 - 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 - 15:00 Regional Meeting
- 15:00 - 16:00 Council Meetings
- 16:00 - 17:00 Council Delegate Assembly

**Friday 28th June**
- 9:30 - 10:15 Keynote: Prof Tim Lang
- 10:15 - 11:00 Keynote: Prof Louise Dye
- 11:00 - 11:30 Wellness Break & Poster Viewing
- 11:30 - 13:00 Research Sessions (concurrent, workshops, symposia)
- 14:00 - 15:00 Closing Ceremony
- 18:00 - 23:30 Irish Cultural Evening, Céili, Irish Music and Dance and Gala Banquet
Speakers

We are delighted to be able to announce a very exciting line up of Keynote Speakers:

**Monday 24th June: Theme - Sustainability**

**Professor Maurie Cohen**  
Professor of Sustainability Studies and Chair of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at the New Jersey Institute of Technology. Joint appointment with the J. Robert and Barbara A. Hillier College of Architecture and Design.  
Maurie Cohen | Professor, Humanities & Social Sciences

**Professor Daniel Fischer**  
Professor of Sustainability Education and Communication at Leuphana University Lüneburg /UNESCO Chair in Higher Education for Sustainable Development.  
Daniel Fischer | Leuphana University Lüneburg · School of Sustainability PhD

**Tuesday 25th June: Theme - Gender And Family**

**Professor Pat Dolan**  
UNESCO Chair in Children, Youth & Civic Engagement, at the University of Galway

**Professor Manisha Anantharaman**  
Assistant Professor in Sociology of the Environment and Ecological Transition at Sciences Po, Centre of Sociologies Organisation (CSO), Paris, France.

**Thursday 27th June: Theme - Education**

**Etienne and Beverly Wenger-Trayner**  
Internationally renowned social learning theorists and consultants.  
About BE | Wenger-Trayner

**Professor Viv Ellis**  
Professor and Dean of the Faculty of Education at Monash University

**Friday 28th June: Theme - Food And Health**

**Professor Tim Lang**  
Professor Emeritus of Food Policy at City University of London’s Centre for Food Policy

**Professor Louise Dye**  
Co-Director of the Institute for Sustainable Food at the University of Sheffield.  
Professor Louise Dye | Psychology | The University of Sheffield
Technical Tours

There are 4 planned, delegates can choose one:

1. **National Museum of Country Life and Foxford Woollen Mills.** The mill sits on the banks of the River Moy and has been manufacturing the finest woollen throws and blankets for over 130 years, as well as sourcing the highest quality bed linen. Also included in this tour, the Museum of Country Life, County Mayo.

2. **‘Herd’ that it’s a farm visit** which is run by a St Angela’s Home Economics lecturer and her sister.

3. **A Day in the Life of an Irish Home Economics Teacher.** Schools are closed in Ireland for the summer holidays during the time of the Congress, but a post-graduate student from St Angela’s will be showing delegates around her former school.

4. **A Day in the National Centre of Excellence for Home Economics, ATU St Angelas Sligo campus.** There will be food and textiles workshops.

Registered delegates will have received an email with a booking link to book the tour of their choice. The option to book a Technical Tour will be kept open until Tuesday 25th June.

Social Programme

Please join us to experience the world-renowned Irish hospitality.

- **The Welcome Reception** will be on Sunday 23rd June 2024 at 6.30pm (Suit Bar, University of Galway)
- **The Opening Ceremony** will be on Monday 24th June 8.40am – 9.30am in (Bailey Allen Hall University of Galway)
- **Networking events** throughout the week including the Young Professional Network. It is traditional at Congress for young professionals to meet together to network. This is not necessarily aged based but can also include those who are new to Home Economics. Tuesday 25th June 2024 at 5pm has been earmarked for the YPN group to meet and greet young professionals from other countries.
- **There will be a Closing Ceremony** Friday 28th June 2024 2-3pm (Bailey Allen Hall)
- **Gala Dinner/Cultural Evening** in the Galmont Hotel, Galway, Friday 28th June 2024 will begin at 6pm with Irish musicians and dancers. The last deadline for booking for the Gala dinner for accompanying persons is Sunday 23rd June 2024.

Transport to and from Galway

The University of Galway is located in Galway city on the West Coast of Ireland. See website for travel details to Ireland

- **Getting to the University**
  - 21 minute walk (see map) / Bus 404/405 (17 mins) / Taxi (11 mins)
  - TFI bikes, there are several bike stations around the city and on the University campus (6 minute cycle) https://www.bikeshare.ie/galway.html

Useful Information

(More detailed information is available on the website)

Weather

Ireland enjoys a temperate climate, with mild winters and relatively cool summers. The daily temperature in June is on average 18°C.

Galway enjoys reasonable sunshine and rain belts reaching the east coast are frequently light and generally clear within a few hours. It is always wise when travelling to Ireland to pack rain gear or an umbrella!

Time

From March to October, Ireland operates on GMT Greenwich Mean Time + 1 hour.

Money

The Euro is the currency in the Republic of Ireland. The Euro has 100 cents in the euro with coins in denominations of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 & 50 cents and 1 and 2 euros. Euro notes come in denominations of 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 and 500 euro.

Foreign exchange bureaus are available in most banks, post offices, Tourist Information Offices, airports, some shops, and accommodation. Bureau de Change kiosks are also available. There are no exchange controls in Ireland. Any sums of money in any currency can be freely brought into or taken out of the country without disclosure or other formalities.

Accommodation

Accommodation can be booked when you register for the conference. Contact ifhe2024@abbey.ie if you are already registered and would like to book accommodation.

Accommodation Booking deadline is 26th May 2024.

All prices are per room/per night

**University of Galway - Dunlin Village**
- €99 Single Room (Bed & Breakfast)
- €143 Double/Twin Room (Bed & Breakfast)
- A 10-minute walk from the residence.

**The Westwood**
- €99 Single Room (Room Only)
- €109 Double Room (Room Only)
- Located 20-25 min walk from University of Galway