

PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATISTICAL AND SOCIAL INQUIRY SOCIETY OF IRELAND

One Hundred and Forty-Eighth Session -1994/95

First Meeting

The Society met at the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 6 October 1994. The President Dr. P. McGowan, was in the Chair.

Mr. John McCullagh presented a paper on "Resource Implications of Demographic Change for Education". A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. John Sheehan, University College Dublin and seconded by Mr. Oliver Cussen, Department of Education. The following also spoke: Professor John Fitzgerald, Rev. Father John Brady, Mr. Michael McGinley, Mr. John Carr (INTO), Professor Damien Hannan, Mr. Damien Courtney, Mr. Jim McCaffrey, Miss Rose Malone (TUI) and Dr. Sean Barrett.

Mr. McCullagh replied to the discussion.

Second Meeting

The Society met at the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 24 November 1994. The President Dr. P. McGowan, was in the Chair.

Dr. Kevin O'Rourke, University College Dublin, presented his Barrington Prize paper "Industrial Policy, Employment Policy and the Non-Traded Sector". A vote of thanks was proposed by Professor Dermot McAleese, Trinity College and seconded by Mr. Dan Flinter, Chief Executive, Forbairt. The following also spoke. Professor Kieran Kennedy, Mr. Fergal O'Brolchain, Mr. Desmond Norton, Mr. Frank Barry, Dr. John Fingleton Mr. Denis Cagney, Mr. Paul Haran, Mr. Jim Fitzpatrick, Dr. Jim Stewart, Mr. Sean O'Reagain, Mr. William Sjostrom and Mr. Michael O'Mahony

Dr. O'Rourke replied to the discussion.

Third Meeting

The Society met at the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 26 January 1995. The President Dr. P. McGowan, was in the Chair.

Dr. Andrew Burke, Trinity College Dublin, presented a paper on "Employment Prospects in the Irish Popular Music Industry". A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Hugh Duffy, Chief Executive, the Irish Music Rights Organisation and seconded by Mr. Niall Doyle, Chief Executive, Music Network. The following also spoke: Professor John O'Hagan, Mr. Dan McCarthy, Mr Paul Walsh, Mr Denis Cagney, Mr Jim Higgins, Rev Fr. John Brady, Mr. John O'Neill, Mr Feargal Quigley and Mr Maurice Doyle.

Dr. Burke replied to the discussion.

Fourth Meeting

The Society met at the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 23 February 1995. The President Dr. P. McGowan, was in the Chair.

A symposium on "The Economic Implications of Peace in Ireland" was held. Papers were read by Dr. Michael Casey (Central Bank), Professor Vani Borooah (University of Ulster), and Professor John Bradley (Economic and Social Research Institute). The following also spoke: Professor Louis Smith, Mr. William Scally, Mr Michael McGinley, Dr Tom McCarthy, Rev Fr. John Brady, Professor Bob O'Connor, Mr Bob Curran, Ms Mary Doyle and Professor Kieran Kennedy.

Professor Bradley, Professor Borooah and Dr. Casey replied to the discussion.

Fifth Meeting

The Society met at the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 23 March 1995. The President Dr. P. McGowan, was in the Chair.

Mr David Jennings and Mr Tom McMahon (Central Statistics Office) read a paper on "Trader Concentration for Ireland's Foreign Trade and the Implications for post-1992 Intra-EU Trade Statistics". A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Maurice McGuire (Central Bank) and seconded by Mr. John McCann (Bord Trachtala). The following also spoke: Professor Denis Conniffe, Professor Peter Neary, Mr. Michael O'Mahony, Mr. Gerry O'Hanlon, Professor John Fitzgerald, Mr. Pat McArdle, Mr. John Markham, Mr. Mick Lucey, Mr. John Moore, Mr. Bill Keating, Mr. Fergal O'Brolchain, Mr. John O'Hagan, Mr. T.P Linehan and Dr. P McGowan.

Mr Jennings and Mr McMahon replied to the discussion.

Sixth Meeting

The Society met at Queens University, Belfast on Thursday, 11 May 1994. The President Dr. P. McGowan, was in the Chair.

Professor Chris Paris, University of Ulster at Magee read a paper on "Making Sense of Diverse Data Sources: Reflections on an Applied Research Project".

A vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Gerry Mulligan (Department of Environment). This was followed by a general discussion to which Professor Paris replied.

Seventh Meeting

The Society met at the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 18 May 1995. The President Dr. P. McGowan, was in the Chair.

Mr. John Frain, Central Bank read a paper on "Econometrics and Truth". A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Anthony Murphy (University College Dublin) and seconded by Dr. Patrick Waldron (Trinity College). The following also spoke Mr. Tony Kinsella, Mr. Fergal O'Brolchain, Dr. Roy Johnstone and Professor Bob O'Connor.

Mr Frain replied to the discussion.