

# **STATISTICAL AND SOCIAL INQUIRY SOCIETY OF IRELAND**

**One Hundred and Fortieth Session – 1986/87**

## **First Meeting**

The Society met at the offices of the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 30 October 1986. The President, Professor J J Sexton, was in the chair.

There was a symposium on the Report of the Commission on Social Welfare. Papers were read by Mr J Curry, Chairman of the Commission on Social Welfare, Mr B R Dowling of J & E Davy and Dr F Kennedy, Economist. The following also spoke: Rev J Brady, Mr T O'Connell, Ms Eithne Fitzgerald, Mr K Crilly, Mr D Humphreys, Mr K Rush, Professor D Hannan, Mr T McCashin, Mr P Cassells and Dr P Honohan. The authors replied to the discussion.

## **Second Meeting**

The Society met at the offices of the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 22 January 1987. The President, Professor J J Sexton, was in the chair.

Dr G E Boyle, of An Foras Taluntas, presented a paper entitled "agricultural volume index numbers and the choice of aggregation formula: an empirical investigation for the Member States of the EC". A vote of thanks was proposed by Professor P Geary and seconded by Mr G O'Hanlon. The following also spoke: Mr F E Embleton and Dr J Murphy. Dr Boyle replied to the discussion.

## **Third Meeting**

The Society met at the offices of the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 26 March 1987. Professor R O'Connor was in the chair.

Professor J O'Hagan and Mr P Waldron, of Trinity College, Dublin, presented a paper entitled "Estimating the magnitude of tourism in the European Community: data deficiencies and some results". A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr D Jennings and seconded by Mr Alan Gray. The following also spoke: Dr E Henry, Mr T Byne and Mr S Barrett. Professor O'Hagan and Mr Waldron replied to the discussion.

## **Fourth Meeting**

The Society met at the offices of the Economic and Social Research Institute on Thursday, 21 May 1987. The President, Professor J J Sexton was in the chair.

Mr N T O’Gorman and Mr T A Carroll, of the Department of Finance, presented a paper entitled “The dilemma of Irish economic development – perspectives on the evolution of Ireland’s public finances and economy from the early 1960’s to the mid–1980’s” A vote of thanks was proposed by Dr P Bacon and seconded by Mr J Fitzgerald The following also spoke Dr J Bradley, Dr P Honohan, Professor K A Kennedy and Dr J Durkin Mr O’Gorman and Mr Carroll replied to the discussion