

Irish Water Programme



Irish Water – Building a New Utility

Date: Tuesday, 26th February 2013
Time: 6:00pm Tea/Coffee/Sandwiches
6:30pm Lecture starts
Venue: Sólás Building, North Campus, Institute of Technology Tralee
Fee: Admission is free

Speaker: Mr. John Barry, Fellow of Engineers Ireland
Acting Chief Executive of Bord Gáis
Programme Director for the Establishment of Irish Water

Synopsis: John Barry holds a Bachelor of Engineering Degree (Civil) from UCC, with a Post Graduate qualification in Mechanical Engineering also from UCC. John joined Bord Gais in 1997 and was initially employed as a Project Engineer, and soon after as a Project Manager. In April 2008 he was appointed to the role as Managing Director, Bord Gais Networks. John is currently acting Chief Executive of Bord Gáis and was the Programme Director for the Establishment of Irish Water.

Irish Water is to take over the water investment and maintenance programmes of the 34 County and City Councils. It will be the single point of contact for customers connected to the public mains supply and will be statutorily responsible for investing in and operating water services infrastructure. It will provide drinking water and waste water services to household, commercial and industrial customers in Ireland (apart from those served by group water schemes).

John will present a lecture on the challenge facing the establishment of this new Utility.

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