

Conference Speakers

Jude Byrne. Director, Wind Energy, Coillte



Jude Byrne is a Chartered Civil Engineer with over 25 years experience, in the delivery of Capital Infrastructure and Development Programmes both in the US and Ireland. As Director of Wind Energy with Coillte, Jude is responsible for the operational performance and strategy of the company's wind energy business, where his team is currently developing a portfolio of 400MW Gate 2/3 projects and examining other opportunities beyond Gate 3 including renewable energy export. The business is also the largest supplier of sites to 3rd party wind energy developers in Ireland.

Kenneth Matthews. CEO, IWEA



Kenneth joined IWEA as CEO in September 2011. He has over 14 years experience in the energy industry in Ireland having worked with Intel, EirGrid and ESB. He worked in power system operation, protection and transmission access planning in EirGrid. Kenneth has also worked in ESB Power Generation holding numerous management roles including Production Manager Poolbeg Power Station and Station Manager Ardnacrusha Power Station. He has been involved in delivering numerous projects across power generation from safety to power plant overhauls, he also developed and led a stakeholder management and engagement programme for ESB's hydro portfolio. He holds a Hons degree from University of Ulster.

Jerry O'Sullivan. Deputy CEO, ESB



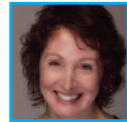
Jerry O'Sullivan was appointed Deputy Chief Executive in October 2014. Prior to this he was Managing Director, ESB Networks Ltd. He joined ESB in 1981 and held a number of positions in Power Station Construction, Distribution and Transmission, Retail, Contracting, Marketing and Customer Service. He was appointed Head of Network Services in 2002 and Head of Sustainability and Network systems in 2008. He holds a degree in civil engineering from University College Cork.

Barry Maher. Construction Manager, Element Power Ireland



Barry is a Construction Manager with Element Power Ireland based in Tullamore. He is responsible for the civil planning and development of various wind farm projects throughout Ireland. Before joining EPI, Barry was entrusted with project managing the civil construction of wind farm projects (2008 and 2013) both in Ireland and the UK most recently completing Whitelee Ext in Scotland with Sisk. Prior to being involved in the wind industry, Barry has 8 years' experience in engineering and management of Commercial, Marine and Infrastructure projects such as Dundrum Town Centre, Dun Laoghaire Marina and traditional, PPP and ECI contracts on the M11, M2, M8 motorways. Barry has earned a BSc in Construction Management at Waterford IT.

Annette Tierney. Facilitator & Actor, 'The Mousehole'



For over a decade Annette has used innovative learning and development techniques in areas such as leadership, commercial skills, culture change, security and behavioural safety. Since training with the originators of the 'forum theatre' method in New York, she has adapted the process to create transformational learning events for organisations in the corporate, public and voluntary sectors. Based in the UK and Ireland, her work in behavioural safety has also taken her to Europe, Asia and the US delivering programmes for clients in a range of sectors including pharmaceuticals, construction, utilities, oil and gas, nuclear energy and transport. Theatre is a powerful medium by which to convey information, stimulate awareness and enable understanding.

Dr. Peter J. Claffey. Programme Manager, H.S.A



P.J. Claffey is a chemistry graduate from UCD. He has been working in the health and safety field for 30 years. He has worked in all areas of workplace regulatory enforcement and in particular in the chemical sector. Currently he has responsibility for managing the Authority's field enforcement programme. He has written relevant Irish Guidance on this topic including Guidance on Safety Statements and Risk Assessments, Workplace Health and Safety Management and on Health and Safety responsibilities for Directors and Senior Managers.

P.J. represents the Authority on the Government Task Force on Emergency Planning Matters. As a chartered fellow of IOSH he represents the Ireland Branch on its Council of Management in the UK.

Richard Furniss. Vice President / Country Manager, Nordex Ireland & UK



Rich is an electrical engineer by profession with 28 years experience working in industry. Previously working in the steel and other industries in the UK and worldwide, he joined Nordex and the wind business in 2009 as the Head of Projects for the UK and Ireland, later taking on additional responsibility for projects in Scandinavia. He has been Country Manager for the UK and Ireland since 2013 - responsible for all of Nordex activities in these countries including Sales, Projects and Service with 180 staff (47 in Ireland) and an installed base over 1.5GW (0.5GW in Ireland).

Ben Valdimarsson. Director, ReputationInc



Ben Valdimarsson is a Director at ReputationInc with over 16 year's experience in reputation management and communications. Ben advises a range of Irish and international clients on their reputation and communications strategies, including media relations, risks and issues management and stakeholder engagement. Ben has undertaken work with companies from across the energy sector, which has included large-scale hydropower, nuclear, oil & gas exploration, geothermal energy and wind energy.

Martin Kerr. Abroads/Autocrime Officer, Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI)



Martin is a 29 year Police veteran in Northern Ireland primarily within Road/Traffic Policing. An advanced Police motorcyclist and motorist, he has both escorted and planned all manner of abnormal loads over the years. His current role as PSNI Abroads Officer, which he has held for 8 years,

regularly brings him into contact with the Wind energy industry. This at the planning stage, trial runs and the decision making position of Police escort necessity or otherwise. Credited with streamlining the interaction between Police and the haulage industry (Both local and International) in Northern Ireland, offering an electronic "One stop shop". He hopes to expand this service by the use of online applications and "Apps". He has no plans to retire anytime soon and cites the variety in his role(s) and the many rewards of a safe, successful outcome in this decision.

Anthony Tynan. Assistant Chief Fire Officer, Laois County Fire & Rescue Service



Anthony Tynan is an Assistant Chief Fire Officer at Laois County Fire & Rescue Service since 2008. Previously worked as Assistant Fire Officer at Kildare County Fire & Rescue Service and Fire Safety Engineer at Michael Slattery Associates. Education: BEng (Hons) Fire Engineering - Leeds University.

Tim Cowhig. Chief Executive, Element Power (Ireland) Ltd



Element Power Ireland CEO, Tim Cowhig has long been a champion of the Irish renewable energy sector, including as chairman of the Irish Wind Energy Association (IWEA) from 2002 to 2009. Tim is spear-heading Element Power's principal project in Ireland which is called Greenwire, a 3,000 megawatt wind energy export project located in the Irish midlands which will see an investment of €8billion, the establishment of a brand new export industry and the creation of more than 10,000 jobs in the process. It is intended to make an application for planning permission for this innovative project later this year.

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Introductory for Opening Session.

With wind energy generating almost 20% of Ireland’s energy in 2014 and a target to double this in the next five year this industry will be at the forefront of construction actively in the energy sector in the years ahead, while also maintaining the growing fleet of wind plant of the island. We discuss the success of the industry to date and how we programme our industry for delivery with safety leadership as a core principle of everything that we do together in the year ahead.

Introductory for Behaviour Theatre.

When an incident happens, we sometimes forget that the root cause can be down to human behaviour. All the best processes and systems in the world can be in place but if people don’t understand why they are there and how there to be used, then an incident is inevitable. How people behave, prior to, during and after an event can have a marked effect on the gravity of the incident, consequences and lessons learnt afterwards. This Behaviour Theatre will show how simple it is for people to become complacent with their surroundings and the job they do every day and the consequences of this. If your job requires you to manage people then this presentation is for you.

Introductory for Emergency Planning.

When a low probability high impact event occurs it is only through having a comprehensive and inclusive response plan that all the eventualities can be managed in that crucial period immediately after the event. What you and your team does in that important first couple of hours will mean the difference between enhanced reputation or damaged reputation, manageable or maximised loss, short or extended down time. Notwithstanding the safety of people, protection of plant, legal compliance or saving your reputation, having a plan is crucial. Join us for this interactive Emergency Planning workshop with experts from the wind industry and the emergency services and leave with the basis of an Emergency Response plan for your business.

Introduction to Panel Discussion.

Having worked through a low probability high impact event in our workshop you will want to join the panel of experts to discuss the choices made, the outcomes and how those outcomes might have been improved by different approaches. In the age of camera-equipped remote control drones is it wiser to plan for open engagement with the media or tolerate sensationalist speculation? Is it better to proactively engage with the media or remain silent and hope for the best? Will the HSA/ HSE appreciate a call immediately, even if you’re not sure the incident was reportable? Will you beat social media to key stakeholders with critical information? Can your business afford not to make the right choice every time even when the pressure is on? If your business depends on the right choices then you need to join this discussion at IWEA H&S 2015 and leave with all the right answers.

8.00am Registration, Tea, Coffee & Exhibition Viewing

Session 1:	“Leadership Today, Safety Tomorrow, Energy for Generations”	Chair: Jude Byrne, Director, Wind Energy, Coillte
09.30	Kenneth Matthews, CEO, IWEA	“Welcome Address”
09.40	Jerry O’Sullivan, Deputy CEO, ESB	“Keynote Address”
10.00	Barry Maher, Construction Manager, Element Power Ireland	“Exceeding Expectations”
10.20	Questions & Answers	

10.40 Tea, Coffee & Exhibition Viewing

Session 2:	“Playing It Safe”	
11.00	Annette Tierney, Facilitator & Actor, ‘The Mousehole’	“Behavioural Theatre Session”
12.30	Questions & Answers	

12.50 Lunch

Session 3:	“Emergency Planning – Prepare, Recover, Repair”	
14.00	Workshop Facilitators: Peter J. Claffey, Programme Manager, H.S.A Richard Furniss, Vice President / Country Manager, Nordex Ireland & UK Ben Valdimarsson, Director, ReputationInc Martin Kerr, Abloads/Autocrime Officer, Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) Anthony Tynan, Assistant Chief Fire Officer, Laois County Fire & Rescue Service	
15.00	Questions & Answers	

15.20 Tea, Coffee & Exhibition Viewing

Session 4:	“Listen, Leverage and Learn” - Best Practice in Emergency Planning	Chair: Tim Cowhig, Chief Executive, Element Power (Ireland) Ltd
15.40	Panel Members: Peter J. Claffey, Programme Manager, H.S.A Richard Furniss, Vice President / Country Manager, Nordex Ireland & UK Ben Valdimarsson, Director, ReputationInc Martin Kerr, Abloads/Autocrime Officer, Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) Anthony Tynan, Assistant Chief Fire Officer, Laois County Fire & Rescue Service	
16.40	Questions & Answers	

16.50 Conference Close

Closing Address

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