



## Environmental Services Training Group ESTG Annual Conference 2024

**DATE:** Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of October  
**VENUE:** Mullingar Park Hotel  
**OBJECTIVE:** Actions and opportunities across the Local Authority Sector  
**AUDIENCE:** Management, Engineering and Administration Staff working in Environmental, Planning and Housing Sections of Local Authorities and their consultants/contractors.

### Full Programme Details for Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of October, 2024

Time	Programme 2024	Speaker/Chair
08.00-09.30	Registration	
09.30-09.45	Welcome from ESTG & DHLGH	John McLaughlin, Chief Executive Donegal Co. Council & Chairperson of the ESTG, & Colin Byrne, PO, Water Advisory Unit, DHLGH
<b>Session 1</b>		
		John McLaughlin, Chief Executive Donegal Co.Co.
09.45-10.10	Realising climate action in local authorities	Breda Maher, Regional Coordinator, EM CARO
10.10-10.35	Embracing Biodiversity and nature positive approaches	Catherine Casey, Head of Climate Change, Heritage Council
10.35 – 11.00	River Basin Management Plans in the context of the 3rd Cycle	Lisa Egan, Water Scientific Policy Advisor, Water Advisory Unit, DHLGH
11.00-11.10	Q&A-SLIDO	
11.10-11.30	Tea/Coffee/Networking	
<b>Session 2</b>		
		Anthony Coleman, Director of Services, LAWPRO
11.30-12.05	LAWPRO (a) Catchment Teams case studies (b) Farming for Water – European Innovation Partnership	Eoin McAleer, Catchments Manager, LAWPRO Joan Martin   Assistant Project Manager Water European Innovation Partnership - AGRI
12.05 – 12.30	Update on urban Nature-based Solutions in Ireland	Averil Gannon, Water Policy Advisor, Water Advisory Unit, DHLGH
12.30-12.50	Dublin Urban Rivers LIFE (DURL) project with South Dublin County Council & Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	Lorraine Beirne, Project Co-ordinator - Dublin Urban Rivers LIFE (DURL) Project
12.50-13.00	Q&A-SLIDO	
13.00-14.00	Lunch/Networking	
<b>Session 3</b>		
		Sean Scott, Local Authority Waste Programme Coordinator, LGMA
14.15-14.35	CCMA Review of Local Authority Natural Water Functions and Resources	Basil Mannion, Senior Community Water Officer, Midlands East Region, LAWPRO
14.35-14:55	Working towards a Circular Economy – Cirtex Ltd Case Study	Geraldine Glennon, Waste Enforcement Officer Longford County Council
14.55 – 15.20	Recent Developments in Waste Management by Local Authorities	Caoimhin Nolan, Senior Waste Enforcement Officer, WERLA SR
15.20 - 15:45	EPA guidance on the assessment of ammonia emissions to air and nitrogen deposition on European Sites.	Rachel Neeson, Inspector I Environmental Assessment EPA
15.45-16:00	Q&A-SLIDO	
16:00	Closing Address	Niall McLoughlin, PO, Circular Economy Strategic Policy Division, DECC

## REGISTRATION

Please register for this event at <https://forms.office.com/e/SYR9k5KFHA>

Price per ticket is €175 and is covered for employees in Local Authority Environment Sectors. Attendance can be covered by the ESTG grant for up to 4 attendee's per Local Authority.

'Environment Services Training Group Conference' event is now Engineers Ireland's & Irish planning Institute CPD-approved.

A total of 5 CPD hours can be claimed for the conference.



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