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Regional Business Summit

Engaging People and Leading on Sustainability

Thinking *Beyond*. An Event Series for the Public Good

J.E. Cairnes School of Business & Economics

March 31st, 2023, 08.45 to 13.30

Venue: Bailey Allen Hall, University of Galway

J.E. Cairnes School of Business & Economics, University of Galway in collaboration with ITAG and Galway Chamber of Commerce is delighted to host this regional event as part of our Thinking *Beyond* Event Series. The event brings together industry and academic thought leadership to showcase how businesses navigate and can take leadership on the current challenges of Talent Engagement, Sustainability and ESG in the West of Ireland. Using business cases and panel conversations, the event will provide insights to help shape how your organisation can address the future of business.

Event Programme

08.45 – 09.15 Registration

Tea/coffee and Networking

Introduction

- **Dr. Majella Giblin**, Associate Head of External Engagement and Alumni Relations, J.E. Cairnes School of Business and Economics

Welcome

- **Professor Ciarán Ó hÓgartaigh**, President, University of Galway
- **Professor Alma McCarthy**, Head of J.E. Cairnes School of Business and Economics, University of Galway

Keynote Address – Carol Gibbons, Divisional Manager and Head of Regions & Local Enterprise, Enterprise Ireland

Talent Engagement

Chair: Professor Jonathan Levie, Professor of Entrepreneurship & Regional Development

Business Case Vignettes on Talent Engagement (5 slides/5 minutes)

- Fidelity, Sharon Walsh, Senior Vice President Head of Strategy, Planning and Agile Enablement and Vice Chair ITAG *“Corporate Investment in IT Talent”*

- Genesys, Tara Dalrymple, Employee Engagement EMEA, *“Being a People Happiness Officer”*
 - J.E. Cairnes School of Business & Economics, Dr Maeve O Sullivan, Assistant Professor of HRM
- Q&A and audience interaction

Attracting and Retaining Talent - Regional Challenges and Opportunities

Claire McGee, Head of Education and Innovation Policy, Ibec in conversation with

- Sai Gujulla, President Student’s Union, University of Galway
- Emer Hannon, Human Capital Consulting Graduate, Deloitte,
- Marie Laffey, Head of Career Development Centre, University of Galway
- Mike Conroy, ITAG
- Audience interaction

11.20 – 11.40 Coffee Break and Networking

Sustainability and Demystifying ESG - in conversation with Businesses and Academia

Chaired by: Kenny Deery, CEO, Galway Chamber

Panel Conversation

- Business Case – Javier Santoyo, Director, Nulla Carbon
- Dr Orla Lenihan, Assistant Professor in Governance, Sustainability and Finance
- Fiona Gaskin, Partner in PwC and ESG Leader for Assurance and Reporting
- Dr. Sinead Mitchell, Assistant Professor in Sustainability and Strategy
- Dr. Paul Dodd, Vice President – Engagement, University of Galway

Roundtable Discussion plus feedback from audience using technology

Closing remarks

Professor Alma McCarthy, Head of J.E. Cairnes School of Business & Economics

13.00 – 13.30 Lunch

Light lunch and networking