TASC *Nordic Models*

'Sharing experience of Education Reform and its challenges between the Nordic Countries and Ireland'

Schedule

Monday, 17th September, 09:00-16:45, Croke Park, Dublin

09:00-09:45	Registration opens, tea/coffee available
09:45-10:00	Opening remarks, Mr Pertti Majanen, Finland's Ambassador to Ireland
10:00-12:00	**'Core Values and Policies in the Irish and Nordic Education Systems'**
	Chairperson (TBC)
10:00-10:30	Mr. Noel Ward (Deputy General Secretary, INTO, Ireland)
10:30-11:00	Mr. Anders Geertsen (Head of Department, Knowledge and Welfare, Nordic Council of Ministers)
11:00-11:45	Q&A
11:45-12:45	Light lunch (soup/sandwiches followed by tea/coffee)
12:45-15:00	**'Challenges and Reform' 1**
12:45-12:50	*Moderator (TBC)*
12:50-13:10	**Mr. Ruairi Quinn TD, Minister for Education and Skills** – challenges of reform, reform agenda
	Panel giving their respective views on four challenges for educational reform:
	- Economy and labour market
	- Social cohesion
	- Equality
	- The economic sustainability of education systems
13:10-13:25	Mr. Jørgen Søndergaard (Managing Director of SFI, National Centre for Social Research, Denmark)
13:25-13:40	Prof. Kristina Kumpulainen (University of Helsinki, Finland)
13:40-13:55	Ms. Asta Magnusdottir (Ministry for Education, Science and Culture, Iceland)
13:55-14:30	**Q&A/audience participation**
14:30-15:00	Tea/Coffee
15:00-16:50	**'Challenges and Reform' 2**
15:00-15:15	Prof. Kathleen Lynch (University College Dublin, Ireland)
15:30-15:45	Mr. Anders Bakken (Research Director, NOVA research institute, Norway)
15:45-16:00	Mr. Kjell Nyman (Director of Analysis and Statistics, Ministry of Education, Sweden)
16:00-16:50	**'Lessons learned' plenary discussion**
	This will be a substantive plenary discussion between the audience and all speakers who are still available, led by the moderator.
16:50-17:00	Closing remarks, Nat O'Connor, Director TASC