

Economic and Social Research Council
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THIS PROGRAMME IS SUBJECT TO POSSIBLE CHANGE

**Public Policy Convergence and Divergence in a Devolving UK
Project:**

Seminar on Rural Policy in a Devolving United Kingdom

Thursday 29th April

1.30 – 2.00: Tea/Coffee

2.00 – 2.30: Welcome and Introduction

2.30 – 4.00: First Session

4.00 – 5.30: Second Session

5.30 – 6.00: Tea/Coffee

6.00 – 7.30: Third Session

8.00: Dinner

Guest Speaker:

Eamon Ó Cuív, Agriculture Minister for the Republic of Ireland

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9.00 – 10.30: Fourth Session

10.30 – 11.00: Tea/Coffee

11.00 – 12.30: Fifth Session

12.30 – 2.00: Lunch

2.00 – 3.30: Sixth Session

3.30 – 4.00: Conclusions

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Charlie Jeffery "Presentation of the Programme"

2.30 – 4.00: Session One: Changing Definitions of Rural Affairs

Eamon Ó Cuív

John Loughlin "Problematic (Convergence/Divergence)"

Mark Goodwin "Policy content"

Discussant: Juliet Harvey

Chair: Philip Lowe (On the English point of view)

4.00 – 5.30: Session Two: UK-wide Coordination in a Devolution Context

Michael Keating and Linda Stevenson "Rural Policy in Scotland"

Grahame Pearce and Sarah Ayres "Rural Policy Coordination in England"

Kevin Morgan "Rural Policy Coordination in Wales"

Discussant: **Sheila Scobie**

Chair: **Alistair Cole**

5.30 – 6.00: Tea/Coffee

6.00 – 7.30: Session Three: The UK Political Parties and Rural Affairs

David Hanley and Sophie Sykes "The case of Wales"

Jonathan Tonge "The case of Northern Ireland"

Peter Lynch "The case of Scotland"

Discussant: Chris Dunabin

Chair: ?

8.00 – Dinner

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9.00 – 10.30: Session Four: Responding to Crisis: Variegated Responses to BSE and Foot and Mouth

Mike German

Brid Rogers

Discussant: **Brian Ilbery**

Chair: ?

10.30 – 11.00: Tea/Coffee

11.00 – 12.30: Session Five: The Effects of the Reform of the EU Common Agricultural Policy in a Devolved UK

Martin Burch and Ricardo Gomez "The Reform of the EU Common Agricultural Policy in a Devolved UK"

Sally Shorthall "The Reform of the EU Common Agricultural Policy: the Case of Northern Ireland"

John Davis

Discussant: Ciaran Cannon

Chair: **Kenneth Dyson**

12.30 – 2.00: Lunch

2.00 – 3.30: Session Six: Culture and Identity in Rural Affairs

Niall Fitzduff

Glyn Davies

Paul Milbourne

Discussant: ?

Chair: **Colin Williams**

3.30 – 4.00: Conclusions

John Loughlin

Charlie Jeffery