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RESPONDING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: NEW PERSPECTIVES ON OLD DEBATES

Thursday 14th December 10-1pm

Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland

63 Merrion Square, Dublin 2.

This seminar invites you to take a fresh look at some old and emerging debates in domestic violence research, policy and practice. It begins with a focus on coercive control and a critical examination of its potential to 're-boot' the domestic violence revolution'. As part of that journey towards revolutionary change, we also ask you to consider why engagement with perpetrators of domestic violence is in everyone's best interest and why excluding children and adolescents from participation in research confirms their long held position of silence in the domestic violence debate.

Certificates of attendance will be provided

Agenda

9.45 Registration (tea and coffee)

10.10 Opening Address, Chair, Judge
Rosemary Horgan

10.30 Coercive Control: Rebooting the
Domestic Violence Revolution:

Davina James-Hanman

11.05 Why we need to engage perpetrators:

John Devaney

11.30 Confirming Silence—the barriers to
including children and adolescents in research

Carolina Øverlien

11.55 Domestic Violence Developments in
Scotland in Relation to Children's Rights and the
Law.

Claire Houghton

12.15 Outline of Key Messages

Stephanie Holt

12.25: Panel Questions and Answers, Chair,
Judge Rosemary Horgan

13.00 Close

Biographies

Davina has worked on violence against women for over thirty years, as a front line service deliverer, campaigner, strategy developer, policy officer, manager, researcher, trainer and writer. Much of her work over this period has been ground breaking.

John is a senior lecturer in social work at Queens University Belfast and is the incoming Professor of Social Work, University of Edinburgh. John has published widely on issues related to domestic violence and child abuse is the author of *Domestic Violence Perpetrators—Evidence Informed Responses*.

Carolina is an Associate Professor of social work, Stockholm University and researcher at the Norwegian Center for violence and traumatic stress studies. Carolina has published extensively on the issue of children and adolescents experiencing violence and trauma.

Claire is a Researcher at the University of Edinburgh and Expert Advisor to the SCOTTISH Government on Gender Based Violence and Children's Rights. She has undertaken a series of Participatory ACTION Research Projects with young survivors of abuse over the last 15 years which has significantly influenced Scottish policy.

Stephanie is an Associate Professor, Social Work, University of Dublin, Trinity College. Stephanie's research and academic interests include domestic violence, child contact, intimate partner homicide and risk assessment. She has a particular interest in ascertaining and representing the voice of the child in research.