

The weekly newsletter from the Botany Department at Trinity College Dublin

News

- **Alwynne McGeever** has joined us on a two year post-doc position. She is funded by an EPA grant for a project on 'The potential for Negative Emissions Technology in Ireland' awarded to **Professor Barry McMullin** (DCU) and **Professor Mike Jones**.
- Botany also welcomes new Technical Officer **Ben Malone** and Erasmus student **Jet Beekwilder** to the Discipline. Ben is covering for Patricia Coughlan while she is on maternity leave and Jet is from HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht, Netherlands and will be working with **Trevor Hodkinson**, **Anna Kaja Hoeyer** and **Anindita Lahiri** on the microbiomes of cereal crops and ash trees.

Event

- A large number of people attended the opening of an exhibition on the life and work of **Ireland's First female Botanist – Ellen Hutchins** – by her Great, Great Grandniece **Madeline Hutchins** and the **Provost of Trinity College** on the 9th of February. Organised by Madeline Hutchins and **John Parnell**, the exhibition runs until 28th April, with a change of exhibits on the 30th of March.



The exhibition is profiled at:

http://www.tcd.ie/news_events/articles/exhibition-ireland-s-first-female-botanist/7591

and is on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/EllenHutchins200/photos/pcb.1912625962299880/1912625462299930/?type=3&theater>

It is also likely to appear in a forthcoming edition of *Mooney Goes Wild*.

Featured topic

New to the **Natural Capital Concept?**

There are great resources in the IFNC interactive conference report. (Click the picture below to access the website.)



Professor Dieter Helm gave a great talk on the topic last week – watch it by clicking the picture below.



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Whether you are student or staff, please send any news you have, big or small, to Anne (dubearna@tcd.ie) with the subject heading *Phytobytes*. Let's share the latest news and always be aware of what is happening at Botany!