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# The Henry Grattan Lecture Series Inaugural London Lecture

British and Irish Relations with a Changing EU

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Thursday 2 May, 2013 - Embassy of Ireland, London



# Welcome

On behalf of Trinity College Dublin, I would like to welcome you to the inaugural London lecture in the *Henry Grattan Lecture Series*.

I would like to thank the UK Trust for TCD for their generous sponsorship which has made it possible to host a *Henry Grattan Lecture* outside of Dublin for the first time. Trinity College Dublin would also like to acknowledge the invaluable support and assistance of the Embassy of Ireland in London.

*The Henry Grattan Lecture Series* – a flagship initiative of the School of Social Sciences and Philosophy – plays an important role in enabling Trinity to engage with society and in ensuring that leading academics and policy makers from around the world are publicly accessible. Previous lectures have addressed topics such as *The End of the European Project?* and *Iceland's Road To Recovery: What Lessons To Be Learned*. With former speakers including Joschka Fischer, former German Vice Chancellor, David O'Sullivan, Trinity Alumnus and Chief Operating Officer of the European External Action Service and Steingrímur J. Sigfússon, Minister of Finance, Iceland.

We would like to welcome our distinguished speakers and to thank them for their contribution to the programme. We hope that you will find this evening's lecture and discussion to be stimulating and enjoyable.

**Dr Patrick Prendergast**  
Provost of Trinity College Dublin

# Programme Overview

The programme will address the very different relationships with the EU that Britain and Ireland have pursued since membership over forty years ago. Ireland's decision to adopt the euro was a decisive moment in these contrasting evolutions of policy. A British withdrawal from the EU, were it ever to occur, could represent an equally significant change in the relationship between Britain and Ireland resulting from membership of the EU.

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**18:30** Welcome by the Ambassador of Ireland, Mr Bobby McDonagh and Dean of the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Trinity College Dublin, Prof James Wickham

**18:40** Mr Pat Cox - Former President of the European Parliament and alumnus of Trinity College Dublin

**19:00** Prof Antoin E. Murphy - Professor Emeritus, Trinity College Dublin

**19:15** Mr Charles Grant - Director, Centre for European Reform

**19:30** Q&A and Discussion

**19:45** Reception

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# Honouring Henry Grattan

The Irish statesman Henry Grattan (1746-1820) is a celebrated graduate of Trinity College Dublin. He entered parliament at a time when Ireland was facing great challenges. Grattan was a strenuous and determined campaigner for constitutional and political rights whose memory is celebrated through Trinity College Dublin's *Henry Grattan Lecture Series*.

## Speaker Biographies

### Pat Cox

Pat Cox graduated and is the recipient of an honorary doctorate from Trinity College Dublin. He has worked as an academic with the Institute of Public Administration, Dublin and the National Institute for Higher Education, now the University of Limerick and as a current affairs broadcaster with RTE. He was the first general secretary of the Progressive Democrats, elected three times to the European Parliament, twice there to the presidency of the Liberal Democrat Group and once to Dáil Éireann. He served a term as President of the European Parliament. Subsequently he was twice elected to the presidency of the European Movement International.

Today he is engaged in a diverse portfolio of pro bono activities in the education and ageing fields, coordinates a major transport project for the EU, serves on a number of advisory boards and is a special European representative on selective justice issues in Ukraine.

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## **Charles Grant**

Charles Grant is Director of the Centre for European Reform, which he helped to set up in 1996. The Centre for European Reform is an independent think-tank that is dedicated to promoting a reform agenda within the European Union.

Charles Grant worked for Euromoney and The Economist in London and Brussels. His biography of Jacques Delors - 'Inside the house that Jacques built' - was published by Nicolas Brealey in 1994. He was a director and trustee of the British Council from 2002 to 2008. He is a member of the international advisory boards of the Moscow School of Political Studies, the Turkish think-tank EDAM and the French think-tank Terra Nova. He is chairman of the Ditchley Foundation's programme committee. In 2004 he became a chevalier of France's Ordre Nationale du Mérite, and in 2013 a Companion of St Michael and St George (CMG) "for services to European and wider international policymaking".

His most recent CER report was on the impact of Russia and China on global governance. Charles is a regular contributor to the Financial Times, the International Herald Tribune and many other publications.

## **Antoin E. Murphy**

Antoin E. Murphy is a retired Professor of Economics and Fellow of Trinity College Dublin. He has been a visiting scholar at the Center for International Affairs at Harvard, the Institut d'Etude Démographiques in Paris, the Hoover Institution and the Department of Economics at Stanford University.

He is a joint managing editor of The European Journal of the History of Economic Thought. In 2001, the European Society of the History of Economic Thought awarded him the Jerome Blanqui prize for his editing of Du Tot Histoire du Systeme de John Law (1716-1720) published by I.N.E.D./P.U.F., Paris 2000.

His books include the following Richard Cantillon: Entrepreneur and Economist (Oxford University Press, 1986); John Law's Essay on a Land Bank (Aeon Publishing, Dublin, 1994); John Law: Economic Theorist and Policymaker (Oxford University Press, 1997); The Genesis of Macroeconomics (Oxford University Press, 2009). His latest book, co authored with Donal Donovan, The Fall of the Celtic Tiger: Ireland and the Euro Debt Crisis will be published by Oxford University Press in May.

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## About the School of Social Sciences and Philosophy

The School is at the forefront of research and teaching in Ireland across the disciplines of economics, philosophy, political science and sociology. All four departments are rated highly in international research evaluations and our academic staff include some of the leading scholars in Ireland.

School students, staff and alumni play an important role in enhancing public debate and understanding of economic, political and social issues and the evolving challenges facing society.

## Find Out More

We are looking forward to engaging with our graduates, friends and supporters over the coming year and to updating you on news and activities in the School. We have a lively and varied programme of events planned so please do keep in touch to see what's coming up.

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