

# Social Inclusion Forum 2016

*Growing an Inclusive Recovery*

14th Sept. 2016

**Venue:**

Chartered Accountants House  
47-49 Pearse Street  
Dublin 2



An Roinn Coimirce Sóisialaí  
Department of Social Protection

[www.welfare.ie](http://www.welfare.ie)

## Conference Overview

### Introduction

The Social Inclusion Forum (SIF) was established by Government as part of the structures to monitor and evaluate Ireland's National Action Plan for Social Inclusion (NAPinclusion). The Social Inclusion Division of the Department of Social Protection has been given the responsibility by the Government to convene the Forum and is assisted in this work by the Community Work Ireland (CWI) and the European Anti-Poverty Network Ireland (EAPN Ireland). The Conference will provide a forum for engagement between officials from Government Departments, Community and Voluntary Organisations and people experiencing poverty.

### Next Meeting of the Forum

The SIF will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2016 in the Chartered Accountants House Conference Centre, 47-49 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. The programme for the event is outlined in the following section.

### Forum Focus

The theme of this year's SIF is Growing an Inclusive Recovery. It echoes the focus of the EU Annual Convention for Inclusive Growth, which brought together policy-makers and civil society to discuss what can be done to ensure all citizens reap the benefits of truly inclusive growth.

### Conference Report

A conference report will be prepared. This will be laid before both Houses of the Oireachtas. Copies of the Report will be circulated to senior officials in Government Departments, relevant agencies as well as to those who attended the Conference.



## Programme (provisional)

### Growing an Inclusive Recovery

09:15	Registration, Tea & Coffee
10:00	Welcome & Opening Remarks – Setting the Context
10:25	Feedback from Regional Workshops with People Experiencing Poverty and Groups Working with them
10:45	Introduction to Workshops
10:50	Tea & Coffee
11:10	Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In-work Poverty / Equality of Work</li><li>• Poverty and Rural Communities, Rural Isolation and Social Exclusion</li><li>• Poverty and Urban Communities / Contributing Social Issues</li><li>• Joblessness and Families in Poverty</li></ul>
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Return to Plenary Room
14:05	Welcome to Minister & Summary of Workshop Outcomes
14:20	Address by Minister for Social Protection
14:35	Discussion on Tackling Poverty through Labour Market Activation & Related Measures
15.50	Closing Remarks & End



## Expenses

A contribution towards vouched expenses may be paid to delegates from the Community & Voluntary Sector, who operate in a voluntary capacity. Such expenses include the costs of childcare, eldercare or other expenses incurred (e.g. public transport, private transport only in exceptional circumstances where public transport is not available).

Participants are advised that such payments may only be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT) into participants' bank accounts and on receipt of completed expenses forms and receipts. Please note no cash refunds will be available on the day.

**PAYMENT OF VOUCHED EXPENSES IS CONDITIONAL ON RECEIPTS BEING PROVIDED.**

Expenses application forms will be available at the registration desk on conference day.

There are a limited number of places available so early booking is advised. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. In the event of high demand, late booking participants may be placed on a waiting list.



## Booking Form

If you wish to attend, you must fill in the online registration form ([click here](#)).

Attendance at the Conference is free but must be pre-booked.

If you have any special requests or needs, please specify these on the booking form and we will try to accommodate you, subject to receiving sufficient notice.

If you have any queries about booking, please contact Elaine O'Neill and Mark Hennessy, by email to: [social.inclusion@welfare.ie](mailto:social.inclusion@welfare.ie) or by telephone at +353 1 7043968 or +353 1 7043147.

## Website for Conference Publications

The main conference documents and speaker presentations will be available online after the event. It will be possible to download copies of the report and presentations from [www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/Social-Inclusion-Division.aspx](http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/Social-Inclusion-Division.aspx) and [www.socialinclusion.ie](http://www.socialinclusion.ie).



## Getting there

### Venue

Chartered Accountants House is situated at 47-49 Pearse Street Dublin 2.

### Train

The closest railway station is Pearse Street train station, see [www.irishrail.ie](http://www.irishrail.ie) for more information.

### Bus

For information on buses from your area to Pearse Street please visit [www.dublinbus.ie](http://www.dublinbus.ie) for information.

### Luas

The closest Luas stops are Connolly and George's Dock which is approximately a 10 minute walk from the venue. Visit [www.luas.ie](http://www.luas.ie) or more information.

### Parking

There is no parking at the venue. However, Chartered Accountants House have an agreement with Parkrite car parks and will validate the ticket at reception for a reduced rate of €10 for the day. The closest Parkrite car park to the venue is in the IFSC.

## Map

[Please see here for interactive map to Chartered Accountants house](#)



## Glossary

### **National Action Plan for Social Inclusion 2007 – 2016 (NAPinclusion)**

The 10-year plan of the Irish Government aimed at tackling poverty. The [Plan](#) was recently updated for the period 2015 - 2017 to reflect current issues and interventions to tackle poverty.

### **Social Inclusion**

Ensuring marginalised people and those living in poverty have greater participation in decision making which affects their lives.

### **Social Inclusion Division**

The role of the Social Inclusion Division is to support the Minister and Government in developing and implementing Government strategies for preventing, reducing and ultimately eliminating poverty and social exclusion. The Division also promotes greater social inclusion and social cohesion in collaboration with other stakeholders including, in particular, people experiencing poverty.

### **European Anti-Poverty Network Ireland (EAPN Ireland)**

The European Anti-Poverty Network Ireland is a network of groups and individuals working against poverty. EAPN Ireland is the Irish link to the European Anti-Poverty Network which brings together civil society organisations from across the European Union to put the fight against poverty at the top of the EU, national and local agenda.

### **Community Work Ireland (CWI)**

Established in 1981, Community Work Ireland (formerly the Community Workers' Co-operative) is a national membership organisation that seeks to promote quality community work as a means of addressing poverty, social exclusion and inequality, and contributing to the creation of a more just, sustainable and equal society.

