

Irish School of Ecumenics: Emerging Irish Identities - Intercultural and Intergenerational Conversation **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/81383>)**

Celebrating ISE at 50 Webinar Series, *Floreat ut Pereat*

Emerging Irish Identities – Intercultural and Intergenerational Conversations

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Ireland, under the pressures and pearls of global movements, international agreements (and disagreements), and mixing of tribes, is rapidly becoming a culturally and religiously diverse society. As an island, Ireland is in the process of moving from a past identity of division to a newer identity formed out of sharing of values of respect and openness, richness and diversity, and better social outcomes for all citizens. Different identities, some forged in the past, others newly incorporated into the island, create diversity. Diversity has already begun to define the new Irish identity. This new reality of diversity not only brings about many challenges, it also brings about different possibilities for how we may envisage and shape a new inclusive and pluralist society. To that end it is of paramount importance to engage in inter-generational, as well as in intercultural, conversations. We must take seriously the wisdom of the older generation which has experienced many changes, lived through many mis-steps and seen too many hopes dashed. We must also take no less seriously the hopes and aspirations of the young who have visions of an inclusive plurality because they have already begun to live it in myriad ways. Within and between these cultures and generations, there is diversity within a longed-for envisioning of a plurality that accepts others as ‘the new norm’.

This webinar seeks to contribute to this envisioning by bringing together both established and emerging intercultural experts and practitioners to create a platform for intercultural and intergenerational conversations. This webinar on ‘Emerging Irish Identities’ is part of the webinar series to celebrate Irish School of Ecumenics – ISE at 50. ISE was founded in 1970 by Fr. Michael Hurley, with a vision of a place where people from diverse backgrounds and disciplinary perspectives could explore the meaning and possibilities of peace and reconciliation together. ISE continues to uphold Fr. Hurley’s vision within the School of Religion in Trinity College Dublin.

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