



National Rural Network

Date: Monday, Nov 28th, 2022 Time: 9.30am – 4.00pm Venue: Athlone Springs Hotel

Chair: Mary Coughlan

AGENDA

9.30am-9.45am - Welcome - Dr Maura Farrell, University of Galway & the National Rural Network

9.45am-10.00am - Opening Address - Pippa Hackett, Minister of State for Land Use & Biodiversity

Session 1: EIP-AGRI - Innovative Practices and Impact

10.00am-

Gillian Westbrook, MOPS (Maximising Organic Production Systems) Project

11.00am

Seán Finan, Small Biogas Demonstration Project (SBDP)



Caroline Lalor, FarmPEAT Project

Bernard Carey, Biomass to Biochar for Farm Bioeconomy (BBFB)

Dr Patrick Crushell, Pearl Mussel Project

Declan Byrne, SUAS (Sustainable Uplands Agriculture-environment Scheme) Project

To Include Q&A Session Facilitated by Dr Shane Conway, University of Galway & the National Rural Network

11.00am-11.20am - Coffee/Tea Break & EIP-AGRI Projects Exhibition

Session 2: EIP-AGRI - Experiences 'On the Ground'

11.20am - 12.00pm

Dr Patrick McGurn & Participating Farmer, Caomhnú Árann Project

Niamh Nolan & Participating Farmer, Farmers4Safety Project

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Dr Saorla Kavanagh & Participating Farmer, Protecting Farmland Pollinators Project

Dr Daniel Curley & Participating Farmer, Farming Rathcroghan EIP Project

Ruairí Ó Conchúir & Participating Farmer, Inagh EIP Project



12.00pm-12.30pm – Update from the DAFM on where EIP-AGRI sits within Ireland's CAP Strategic Plan (CSP) for the period 2023-2027

12.30pm-1.15pm – Lunch & EIP-AGRI Projects Exhibition

1.15pm-2.45pm - Session 3: EIP-AGRI – 'Inspiring the Future' Breakout Groups & Feedback

2.45pm-3.00pm – Closing Remarks - Donal Sheehan, BRIDE (Biodiversity Regeneration in a Dairying Environment) Project

3.00pm-4.00pm - Networking Opportunity & EIP-AGRI Projects Exhibition

