# **Proposed Board 2022**

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### **NEW BOARD MEMBERS 2022**



#### **CONOR GLYNN**

Conor Glynn is Parliamentary Assistant to former Tánaiste and Minister, Frances Fitzgerald MEP.

In his current role, Conor overseas press, communications, and has overall responsibility for Frances' representation of the Dublin constituency. He was appointed to this position in 2019 having previously worked for the Environmental Protection Agency.

Conor is a graduate of University College Dublin holding a first-class honours degree in Science - and was an entrance scholar to UCD also. As part of his degree he studied at the University of British

Columbia in Vancouver for a period.

Conor is a committed European enthusiast and has a keen interest in leadership and management - as demonstrated through his work with the Rotary Youth Ireland project and participation in the Euroscola programme in 2015

Originally from Wexford, Conor is an avid sailor and is a fully qualified senior sailing instructor.



#### DOMHNAILL HARKIN

Domhnaill Harkin was a member of the Washington Ireland Program Class of 2017 and was previously a member of the US embassy youth council.

Domhnaill has an interest in international development having volunteered abroad and is currently part of the overseas volunteer charity EIL Ireland's Global Education Committee. He is also a member of the Shoutout steering committee, Shoutout is an Irish charity who organise workshops on LGBTIQAI issues across Ireland.

Domhnaill is currently studying a Masters of Social

Work in UCD which he will finish in April 2022 and he works part time with a homeless charity, the Peter McVerry Trust.



#### **PAULA MELVIN**

Paula Melvin has served as Programme Manager with the Fulbright Commission in Ireland/Ireland-United States Commission for Educational Exchange for six years. She presented the Commission's transatlantic activities in the U.S. to a Joint Committee of Teachtaí Dála and Senators in Dáil Éireann.

She is a proud alumna of the U.S. Embassy Dublin's National Youth Council.

In a voluntary capacity Paula has been elected Tánaiste (Vice President) of Conradh na Gaeilge (historically known as the Gaelic League). Conradh na Gaeilge is the democratic forum for the Irish language which has branches worldwide from Hamburg to Hong Kong including several in the United States. Paula is also a member of the DCU Alumni Emerging Leaders Programme Steering Committee.



## LUCY ROCHE

Lucy Roche currently works as a Strategic Engagement Officer with the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission. She's previously worked in politics and public affairs in Brussels, Dublin and Edinburgh.

Lucy successfully lobbied the Government to provide free sanitary products to International Protection Applicants living in Direct Provision last year. She was selected to participate in the European Women's Lobby AGORA Young Feminist Summer School in 2018 representing Ireland. Lucy was a class member

of the Washington Ireland Program in 2019 where she interned with the Irish Embassy in Washington D.C.

She holds a BSc in Government & Political Science from University College Cork.