



Economics Winter Workshop

21 December 2026
Central Bank of Ireland

08:45	Registration & refreshments
09:15 – 09:30	Welcoming Remarks
09:30 – 10:30	Session 1: Housing markets & urban economics Chair: Fergal McCann, Central Bank of Ireland Skill-biased transportation change? Market access, housing and Dublin's Luas light rail Ronan Lyons, Trinity College, Dublin Household sorting, mobility costs, and residential misallocation Alvin Murphy, Arizona State University
10:30 – 11:00	Break & refreshments
11:00 – 11:30	Session 2: Climate & sovereign debt Chair: Cian Ruane, Central Bank of Ireland Climate change, adaptation, and sovereign risk Sarah Duffy, European Central Bank
11:30 – 12:20	Policy Lecture: The ECB December monetary policy decision Philip Lane, ECB Executive Board Member
12:20 – 13:20	Lunch
13:20 – 14:50	Session 3: Monetary policy & inflation Chair: Martin O'Brien, Central Bank of Ireland

Did I make myself clear? The Fed and the market under the 2020 monetary policy framework

Michael McMahon, University of Oxford

US inflation persistence since 1784: Perhaps some things never change

Rebecca Stuart, Queen's University Belfast

Uncovering disagreement about Central Bank communication: social media and monetary policy surprises

Davide Romelli, Trinity College Dublin

14:50 – 15:40

Keynote address: Ireland, a tale of belated convergence

John Fitzgerald, University College Dublin and Trinity College Dublin

15:40 – 16:10

Coffee Break

16:10 – 17.10

Session 4: Artificial intelligence and the future of economic research

Chair: Robert Kelly, Central Bank of Ireland

- Catriona Purfield, International Monetary Fund
- Sarah Holton, European Central Bank
- Michael McMahon, University of Oxford
- Steve MacFeely, OECD

17.10

Adjournment and refreshments