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# EUROPEAN INLAND FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE ADVISORY COMMISSION

# **Thirty-First Session**

Killarney, Ireland, 22 - 24 June 2022

# **Information Note for participants**

#### A. Session arrangements and registration

The Thirty-first Session of the European Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture Advisory Commission (EIFAAC) will be held in the <u>Randles Hotel</u> in Killarney, Ireland from 22 to 24 June 2022. The Provisional Timetable of the Session will be available through the <u>session website</u>.

All session times indicated refer to GMT+1 (local time).

All participants are requested to register in advance by confirming their nomination and participation to the EIFAAC Secretariat via <a href="EIFAAC-Secretariat@fao.org">EIFAAC-Secretariat@fao.org</a> by <a href="Friday 27 May.">Friday 27 May.</a>

The on-site registration of participants will take place from 11.00 to 13.00 hours on 22 June, during which participants will be provided with the Session's provisional programme and timetable and other working and information documents on a pen-drive.

The proposed working hours of the Session will be from 9.00 to 12.00 hours and from 13.30 to 17.30 hours, unless otherwise decided by the Meeting.

#### **B. EIFAAC Symposium**

The Thirty-first Session of EIFAAC will be preceded by the EIFAAC Symposium 2022 on "Inland fisheries and aquaculture – advances in technology, stock assessment and citizen science in an era of climate change" which will also be held in The Dromhall Hotel (adjacent to Randles Hotel), Killarney, Ireland, from 20 to 21 June 2022. The Symposium is hosted by Inland Fisheries Ireland and the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications (Ireland). Information on Symposium registration and abstract submission can be found at: <a href="https://www.fisheriesireland.ie/news/events/eifaac-symposium-2022">https://www.fisheriesireland.ie/news/events/eifaac-symposium-2022</a>

#### C. General information about Killarney

Killarney (Irish: *Cill Airne*, meaning 'church of sloes') is a quaint town in Counry Kerry, southwestern Ireland. The town is on the northeastern shore of Lough Leane, part of Killarney National Park, and is home to St. Mary's Cathedral, Ross Castle, Muckross House and Abbey, the Lakes of Killarney, MacGillycuddy;s Reeks, Purple Mountain, Mangerton Mountain, Paps Mountain, the Gap of Dunloe and Torc Waterfall. Its natural heritage, history and location on the Ring of Kerry make Killarney a popular tourist destination. The town is pretty famous on the 'tourist trail' of the Wild Atlantic Way due to its colorful 19th century buildings, beautiful national park and epic shopping. <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Killarney">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Killarney</a>

#### Map of Killarney



#### D. How to get to Killarney

#### FROM DUBLIN

#### From Dublin Airport to Heuston Train Station

Dublin Express Bus (outside of Terminal 2) (they leave every half hour and take approx. 35 minutes; approx. cost €8.00) to Heuston Railway Station.

Taxis to Heuston Railway Station are available outside the Airport terminals and will take approx. 20/25 minutes. (Approx. cost €22.00 - €27.00).

#### From Heuston Train Station to Killarney

From Heuston Railway Station take the Cork train, you will need to change trains at Mallow Station for the onward trip to Killarney (Approx. cost €27.00 - €40.00). Train tickets can be booked in advance on www.Irishrail.ie and the total trip time is approx. 3hrs 30 minutes.

#### From Killarney Train Station to the Hotel

It is a approx. 13-minutes walk from the Railway Station to the Hotel. There are taxis available at the front of the station.

#### FROM CORK

#### From Cork Airport to Killarney

Get either the 225 or 226 (Stop No. 230061) Bus Eireann Bus outside of the Airport Terminal to Kent Railway Station (Stop No. 212631) (Bus Timetable details from Cork Airport to Kent Railway Station: https://www.buseireann.ie

The bus goes every 30 minutes (Approx. cost: €6.00 - €9.00) (Duration: 30 minutes)

Taxis are available outside of Terminal Building to Kent Station (Approx. cost: €20.00)

From Kent Railway Station take the Cork/Mallow train (Duration 21 minutes) to Mallow Station and change in Mallow for the Tralee Train to Killarney Station (Duration 55 minutes). (Approx. cost: €15.00) Details re tickets and prices https://www.irishrail.ie

From Killarney Railway Station only a few minutes walk to the hotel or taxis are available outside of the station.

Alternately, you can get the 226 Bus from Cork Airport to Parnell Place Bus Station (Stop No: 255021) and get the No 40 Bus directly to Killarney (Duration approx.: 1hr 40 minutes) (Approx. cost: €20.00) Bus timetable and costs https://www.expressway.ie

#### FROM KERRY

#### Fly to Kerry Airport

There are limited flights to and from Kerry Airport (London-Luton; London-Stansted; Berlin; Frankfurt-Hahn; Alicante; Faro). Further information: <a href="https://www.kerryairport.ie">https://www.kerryairport.ie</a>

Outside the main terminal is a Bus Terminus with bus services available directly from Kerry Airport to Killarney linking into the Bus Eireann network. Tickets for all bus services may be purchased onboard the bus. Timetables for the bus to Killarney can be found at: <a href="https://www.buseireann.ie">https://www.buseireann.ie</a>

#### E. Formalities for entry into Ireland

Passport holders of some countries outside the Schengen area require a visa to enter Ireland. For information regarding visa issuance, participants are encouraged to contact their local Irish Embassy/Consulate, or visit the website of the Department of Foreign Affairs of Ireland <a href="https://www.dfa.ie/travel/visas/visas-for-ireland/">https://www.dfa.ie/travel/visas/visas-for-ireland/</a>. Participants are advised to commence their visa application process well ahead of their intended travel dates to allow for the visa processing delays (at least two weeks).

Participants who require a visa to enter Ireland, and have indicated this during the online registration, will be issued an official invitation by the FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, supporting them in their application for the entry visa at their local Irish Embassy/Consulate.

#### F. Accommodation for Session and Symposium Participants

Accommodation is to be booked and covered directly by the participants. The two proposed hotels, with a location nearby the venue of the Session, can be found below. There were some block reservations made (<u>valid until 25<sup>th</sup> May</u>) please book using this Group Name: EIFAAC 2022. If you have any queries directly related to accommodation please contact <u>susan@randleshotel.com</u>

#### Session and Symposium Hotel Details

Dromhall Hotel Randles Hotel
Muckross Road Muckross Road
Killarney
Co. Kerry Co. Kerry

E: info@dromhall.com E: info@randleshotel.com

In addition to the above accommodation options, you may find in Annex 1 a list of Killarney Guesthouses/Hotels situated close to the Muckross Road.

#### G. Working languages at the Session

The working language of the Session will be English.

#### H. Working documents

The meeting documents will be posted periodically on the EIFAAC website, as they become available. Participants, who are not able to access the website, should inform the EIFAAC secretariat and the meeting documents will then be sent to them via E-mail. Please check this <u>meeting site</u> for the documents.

All documents will also be provided to participants on pen-drives during registration on site. In an effort to achieve a paperless meeting, printed copies of working documents and information papers can be provided at the venue, but only upon request and in limited quantities. Participants are encouraged to carry personal electronic devices for accessing the documents online and thus reduce the need for printing hard copies. Complimentary Wi-Fi service will be available at the meeting venue.

#### I. Catering Services

Buffet lunch and coffee breaks will be provided on all three days of the Session. Any special dietary requirements please contact <a href="mailto:eifaacsymposium@fisheriesireland.ie">eifaacsymposium@fisheriesireland.ie</a>

### J. Field Trips

The following field trips will be organized for the participants in the Symposium and Session:

For those who will be participating in the EIFAAC Symposium a boat trip on Lough Leane is being organised on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 9.30a.m. and afterwards a bus trip to Dingle Aquarium and lunch in Dingle. Please indicate if you are interested in participating in the field trip on payment.

For those attending the Session they can participate in the Boat Tour of Lough Leane (approx. 1 hour) and then return to the Hotel for the commencement of the Session. Please contact <a href="mailto:eifaacsymposium@fisheriesireland.ie">eifaacsymposium@fisheriesireland.ie</a> if you wish to partake in the morning tour. More information can be found in Annex 2.

The host is also planning to organize for Friday 24 June in the morning a guided Walking Tour of the Killarney National Park. More information will be made available at the venue or can be received by contacting: eifaacsymposium@fisheriesireland.ie

#### K. Reception, dinner and other social events

The Government of Ireland will host a reception for all participants of the EIFAAC Symposium, to which also all Session delegates and spouses are cordially invited. The reception will be held prior to the Session on Tuesday, 21 June.

On Thursday 23 June an official dinner will be hosted by the Irish Department of Environment, Climate and Communications.

Please confirm your (and your spouse) participation to the Session dinner by writing to EIFAACsymposium@fisheriesireland.ie no later than Monday 20 June.

#### L. COVID-19 measures

Up to date information on the pandemic situation in the Republic of Ireland and guidelines for travellers are available through the Government website: <a href="https://www.dfa.ie/travel/travel-advice/coronavirus/general-covid-19-travel-advisory/">https://www.dfa.ie/travel/travel-advisory/</a>.

All participants are requested to follow the guidelines provided by the national authorities.

More details on the COVID-19 measures applicable at the EIFAAC venue, will be provided in a separate COVID-19 guidelines information paper to be published on the EIFAAC meeting website.

#### M. Security

Killarney is a generally safe, secure and quiet place. However, the usual precautions against theft are necessary during travel and when staying in Killarney. Please carry your valuables safely, keep luggage close to you at all time while on the train, subways and air terminals. Once you have checked into your hotel, you can best leave your passport in a safety box. A good alternative is to carry a photocopy of your passport with you. Identity cards and anything else not needed are best left in a safe place in the hotel while you are sightseeing, shopping or dining out.

#### N. Exchange of foreign currency

Foreign currency can be exchanged at the airport or at exchange offices and banks in Killarney. It is not advisable to exchange foreign currency at the airport, as the rates are usually higher than in the exchange offices/banks in town. Another convenient way could be to withdraw the necessary amount of EUR directly from an ATM.

# O. Electricity

Electricity voltage in Ireland is 230 volts with European model sockets. Should there be a need for an electricity adapter, participants should make sure they bring it along with them.

#### P. Contact details for the Session and Symposium

All correspondence concerning the EIFAAC Session should be addressed to the EIFAAC Secretariat, at the addresses below:

EIFAAC Secretariat FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia Budapest, Hungary

E-mail: EIFAAC-Secretariat@fao.org

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More information about EIFAAC can be found at: https://www.fao.org/fishery/en/organization/22050/en

Any correspondence concerning the EIFAAC Symposium and related logistics can be addressed to Ms. Sandra Doyle through <u>EIFAACsymposium@fisheriesireland.ie</u>

#### Q. Notification of participation

Please remember to notify the EIFAAC Secretariat of your participation (<u>EIFAAC-Secretariat@fao.org</u>) and to provide us with your E-mail address so that you can be updated regularly regarding arrangements.

The FAO EIFAAC Secretariat, Inland Fisheries Ireland and the Irish Department of Environment, Climate and Communications look forward to seeing you in Killarney.

**Welcome to EIFAAC 31** 

# Annex 1: Killarney Guesthouses/Hotels situated close to the Muckross Road

Earls Court House Hotel Woodlawn Road, Killarney, Co. Kerry +353(0)64 6634009	The Brehon Hotel Muckross Road Killarney, Co. Kerry V93 RT22 +353 (0)64-663700	The Lake Hotel Lake Shore Muckross Road Killarney Co. Kerry +353 (0)64 6631035	Killarney Inn (Formerly Rivermere Guesthouse), Muckross Road +353 (0)64-6637933
Cherry Tree Guesthouse Muckross Road Killarney Co Kerry +353 (0)86 1939325	Glena House Muckross Road Killarney Co Kerry +353 (0)64 6632705	Countess House Countess Road, Killarney, +353 (0)64 6634247	Woodlawn House Guesthouse Woodlawn Rd. Killarney Kerry, Ireland. +353 (0)64 6637844
Castle Lodge, Muckross Road, Killarney, County Kerry, Ireland +353(0) 64 663 1545	Old Weir Lodge Muckross Road. Killarney. Co. Kerry. +353 (0)64 6635593	Mystical Rose Country Home B&B, Woodlawn, Killarney County Kerry, Ireland Tel: +353 (0)64 6631453	Applecroft House Woodlawn Road, Killarney, Co. Kerry +353 (0)64 66-32782
Flesk Lodge Muckross Road Killarney, Co. Kerry. +353 (0)64-6632135	The Harp Muckross Road, Killarney, Kerry. +353 (0)64- 6631272	Killarney View House, Flesk Bridge, Muckross Road, Killarney, +353 (0)64 6633122	Emerville House, Muckross Drive,Off Muckross Rd, Killarney +353 (0)64 6633342
Foley's Town House 23 High Street, Killarney +353 (0)64 6631217	Killarney Lodge Countess Road, Killarney +353 (0)646636499	Fairview Guesthouse Michael Collins Place, College Street, Killarney +353 (0)646634164	Murphy's of Killarney, 18 College Street, Killarney. +353 (0)646631294.

#### **Annex 2: EIFAAC SYMPOSIUM TOUR**

## WEDNESDAY 22nd June 2022

9.30a.m. Depart by bus to Ross Castle - Killarney Lakes

10.00a.m. Boat Trip of Lough Leane – the largest of the three lakes of Killarney

11.00a.m. Return to Hotel with delegates not attending afternoon tour

(EIFAAC Session commences)

11.15a.m. Depart for Dingle – small port town situated in the south-west of Ireland

12.45p.m. LUNCH – Dingle Bay Hotel

2.00p.m.

2.30p.m. Dingle Aquarium – Ireland's largest aquarium

https://www.dingle-oceanworld.ie

4.30p.m. Depart Dingle and return to Killarney

5.30p.m. Arrive Killarney

TOTAL COST OF TOUR €60.00

MORNING TOUR ONLY (BOAT TOUR) €15.00

Please contact for registration: eifaacsymposium@fisheriesireland.ie