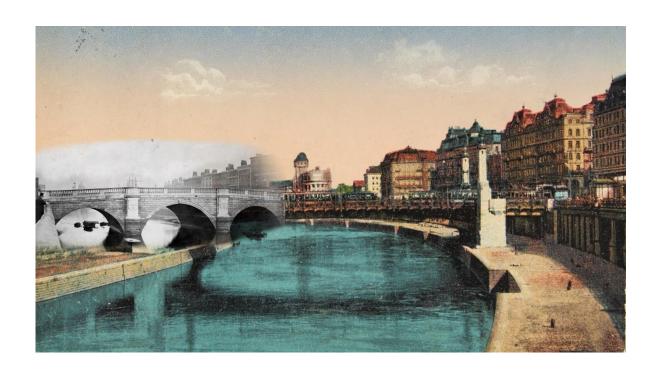
# Irish Modernisms: Gaps, Conjectures, Possibilities

University of Vienna,
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29 September – 1 October 2016



## **Academic & Social Programme**

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Vienna Centre for Irish Studies 29 September – 1 October 2016

#### **Conference Organisers**

Tamara Radak (University of Vienna)
John Greaney (University College Dublin)
Paul Fagan (Salzburg University/University of Vienna)

#### **Assistant Organisers**

Dieter Fuchs, Ulrike Zillinger

#### **Student Helpers**

Christina Schuster, Johanna Mayer

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#### **Conference Venue**

Department of English
Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies
University of Vienna
Spitalgasse 2–4
Hof 8.3
1090 Vienna

UR: Unterrichtsraum (ground floor) SE 3: Seminar Room 3 (ground floor)

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19:00

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### **Academic and Social Programme**

#### Wednesday 28 September

19:00

#### Meet and Greet

Lane & Merriman's Irish Pub Spitalgasse 3, 1090 Vienna

#### Thursday 29 September

10:00 - 11:15

Registration and Coffee

11:15 - 12:00

#### Welcome and Introduction

UR

HE Kevin Dowling (Acting Ambassador of Ireland to Austria)

Tamara Radak (University of Vienna)

Paul Fagan (Salzburg University/University of Vienna)

John Greaney (University College Dublin)

12:00 - 13:00

#### Irish Modernist Poetry

UR, Chair: John Greaney

'The Funeral of One's Past': Thomas MacGreevy as Ireland's Modernist War Poet

Daniel Curran (Maynooth University)

'From Government Buildings': Poetry and Diplomacy in Denis Devlin **Karl O'Hanlon** (*University of York*)

> 13:00 – 15:00 Lunch

15:00 - 16:30

Martyrdom, Memorialisation, Modernism: Deconstructing Nationalism

UR, Chair: Ronan Crowley

Elizabeth Bowen and Post-Independence Writing John Greaney (University College Dublin)

'I dislike to hear of any stray heroics on the prowl': Survival not Revival; or Joyce's Heroic Retreat James Alexander Fraser (University of Exeter)

Modernism as a Response to Civil War: Eimar O'Duffy's 'Cuanduine Trilogy'

Conor Dowling (Maynooth University)

#### 15:00 – 16:30

#### Samuel Beckett: Philosophical Underpinnings

SE<sub>3</sub>, Chair: Paul Fagan

Writing after the Romantics:
Samuel Beckett's Poetry and the Irish Reception of English Romanticism
Edward Lee-Six (*Trinity College, Cambridge*)

Dialogues: Beckett and Yeats Reading Berkeley **Einat Adar** (Charles University, Prague)

From Resurrection to Emancipation: Exploring the "Übermenschean" Potentiality of Performance as Text in Samuel Beckett's *Endgame*Matthew Fogarty (Maynooth University)

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee

17:00 – 18:00 Werner Huber Keynote Address UR, Chair: Dieter Fuchs

The Field Imaginary of Irish Modernist Studies: The Place of Elizabeth Bowen

Patricia Coughlan (University College Cork)

19:30 – 21:00 Wine Reception

The Ambassador's Residence Theresianumgasse 23, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, 1040 Vienna

#### Friday 30 September

10:00 – 11:30 Joycean Gaps

UR, Chair: James Alexander Fraser

Menippean Satire and Irish Modernism **Dieter Fuchs** (*University of Vienna*)

The Oxen of the Son/Sun – a Joycean à rebours "Gibe to Please a Companion Around the Fire at the Club" loana Zirra (University of Bucharest)

Joycean Choices: Close Reading & Writing

Joseph Brooker (Birkbeck College, University of London)

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee

Performative Modernisms: Staging Irish Identity

UR, Chair: Sos Eltis

Playboys and Eunuchs: J. M. Synge and the Rhetoric of Health Lloyd Houston (Hertford College, University of Oxford)

The Gate Theatre Dublin: A Portal to Modernism **Des Lally** (NUI Galway)

12:00 - 13:00

Space Oddities: The Geography of Irish Modernism SE3, Chair: Matthew Fogarty

Space and Form in Flann O'Brien Barbara Szot (*Palacký University*)

MacNeice and Mahon's Seascapes Simon Haworth (Independent Scholar)

> 13:00 – 15:00 Lunch

15:00 – 16:30 Revival/Modernism UR, Chair: Joseph Brooker

Oscar Wilde's Critical Spirit of Celtic Modernity **Sos Eltis** (*Brasenose College, University of Oxford*)

### Ireland, Empire and Occult Modernism in Standish O'Grady's *The Queen of the World*Michael McAteer (*Pázmány University, Budapest*)

'That much-exploited thing, the Irish Revival': Who's Who in the Revival *roman à clef*Ronan Crowley (*Passau University*)

17:00 – 18:00 Keynote Address UR, Chair: Tamara Radak

Melancholy Modernism: The (Strange) Death of the Irish Woman Poet 1930-1950 **Lucy Collins** (University College Dublin)

> 19:30 An Evening of Poetry

with Neil McCarthy and Simon Haworth
Tunnel Vienna Live

Florianigasse 39 www.tunnel-vienna-live.at

#### Saturday 1 October

10:00 – 11:30 Print Cultures

UR, Chair: Michael McAteer

The Rogueries of Maginn & Mahony: The Proto-Modernist Hoaxes of *Frasers* Magazine **Paul Fagan** (Salzburg University/University of Vienna)

Technology and Modernity in the Comic Strips of Jack B. Yeats

Michael Connerty (The National Film School, Dublin / Central Saint Martins, UAL)

Periodicals and the Material Circumstances of Irish Modernism:
'a whiff of Dadaist Europe to kick Ireland into artistic wakefulness' **Tobias Harris** (Birkbeck College, University of London)

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee

12:00 – 13:00 Strange Times UR, Chair: Tamara Radak

James Joyce and Irish Modernist Times

Iva Dimovska (Central European University, Budapest)

Tobecontinueds Tale:
Gaps and (Incom)possibilities in Flann O'Brien's *The Third Policeman* **Tamara Radak** (University of Vienna)

Modernism and Beyond

SE3, Chair: Einat Adar

Self and Other Relationship in Chen, Kai-ge's Farewell My Concubine and Samuel Beckett's Waiting for Godot Peter Kao (National Chung Cheng University, Taiwan)

Brendan Behan - A Modernist "Anti-Hero"? **Sarah Ritt** (University of Vienna)

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch

#### 15:00 – 16:30 More than Words: Sensory Modernisms

UR, Chair: Michael Connerty

Musical Gaps and Joyce's Modernist Fugue Michelle Witen (*University of Basel*)

The Gaze from the Edge of the Map: Surrealist Ireland Fionna Barber (Manchester School of Art)

'Lucid Abnormality': Dreamwork in Elizabeth Bowen's Wartime Fiction

Michael Waldron (University College Cork)

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee

17:00 - 18:00

Roundtable Response & Discussion Irish Modernisms: Gaps, Conjectures, Possibilities UR, Chair: Paul Fagan

Joseph Brooker (Birkbeck College, University of London)
Lucy Collins (University College Dublin)
Patricia Coughlan (University College Cork)
Ronan Crowley (Passau University)

19:00 Conference Dinner Heuriger Schübel-Auer

Kahlenberger Str. 22, 1190 Wien <a href="http://www.schuebel-auer.at/">http://www.schuebel-auer.at/</a> (D tram stop: "Beethovengang")

End of conference