

Public Sector Energy Conference

**Thursday
9th February 2023**

The Helix, DCU



**Leadership
in Action
towards 2030**

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Conference Format

This free event for public sector energy leaders includes:

A Plenary Opening Session

Including Ministerial address and panel discussion on Leadership in Policy and Government.

Leadership in Action Showcase Session

Highlighting exemplar leadership in the public sector; examples of sectors mobilising, strategising and delivering on their decarbonisation journey.

Afternoon Sectoral Breakout Sessions

Focusing on next steps; how each sector can scale up resources, plans, and projects to achieve the 2030 targets.

Outdoor Public Sector Electric Vehicle display

Indoor Meet the Support Teams; SEAI & OPW

Agenda

- 08:45 – 09:45 Registration, Networking breakfast
- 09:45 – 10:45 Plenary session
- 10:45 – 11:30 Networking break
- 11:30 – 13:00 Public Sector Leadership in Action Showcase
- 13:00 – 14:15 Networking Lunch
- 14:15 – 15:55 Sectoral Breakout Sessions
- 16:00 Conference Close

Plenary Session

Ministerial Address

The Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications will look at Energy and Greenhouse Gas targets from a national and international perspective and highlight where this Government is showing leadership on these issues.

'Leadership in Policy and Government' panel discussion facilitated by Broadcaster Kathriona Devereux

Panel includes: Departmental Officials, Marie Donnelly, Chairperson of the Climate Change Advisory Council and representatives of Public Sector bodies.

Panel discussion involving audience Q&A will follow the keynote speakers.



Eamon Ryan TD, Minister for Climate Action, Communication Networks and Transport

He was the founding chairperson of the Dublin Cycling Campaign and began his political career as a Dublin City Councillor for the Rathgar-Rathmines ward. He then went on to serve both as a TD for Dublin South and as a Government Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources.

In recent years he has worked for a European climate organisation and chaired the digital policy group in the Institute of International and European Affairs.

He is currently leader of the Green Party/ Comhaontas Glas.



Kathriona Devereux, Science Communicator and Broadcaster

Kathriona Devereux is an award winning broadcaster, science communicator and columnist.

Kathriona has twenty years' experience in front of and behind the camera presenting and producing a range of factual programming for RTÉ, Virgin Media Television, BBC and ARTE.



Marie C. Donnelly, Chairperson of the Climate Change Advisory Council

Marie is the Chairperson of the Climate Change Advisory Council. She spent thirty years with the European Commission, ultimately as Director for Renewables, Energy Efficiency and Innovation. Marie is a member of the Governance Committee of MaREI, and an Advisory board member of UCD Energy Institute. Marie was the first Chairperson of Renewable Energy Ireland and was also a non-executive director of Tipperary Energy Agency.

Leadership in Action Showcase

This session will showcase examples of leadership in action across the public sector. It promotes cross-pollination of ideas, learnings and potential solutions across the various sectors. It highlights sectors and public bodies that are leading on their journey towards decarbonisation.

- Public Sector mobilising
- Public Sector strategising
- Public Sector delivering



Sectoral Sessions

There will be six sectoral groupings based on the new SEAI supports structure. On registration, you will be allocated to the appropriate group. Some of the larger public bodies may wish to send additional representatives to other related sectors and this can be arranged.

The Sectoral Groups include:



Central Government & OPW Buildings



Third Level Education



Government Agencies



Healthcare



Local Authorities



Commercial Semi States

Senior officials in each sector will lead these sessions. They will focus on key actions for large-scale mobilisation, planning and implementation for the sector to achieve the 2030 energy efficiency and CO₂ reduction targets.



Why should you attend?

The 2023 Public Sector Energy Conference is aimed at leadership across the public sector.

The key aims and objectives of the conference are:

- To recognise leadership in action across the public sector.
- To acknowledge those who are actively planning roadmaps and delivering projects towards the 2030 targets and beyond.
- To inspire others by highlighting success stories to date, potential solutions and key actions which are helping Ireland deliver on its ambitious targets.
- To motivate all public bodies to take responsibility for their own organisations individual targets and roadmap.
- To encourage public bodies to learn from each other, think bigger and actively collaborate to develop the pathways, solutions and funding to achieve the carbon and energy efficiency targets.

We are particularly interested in inviting:

- Chief Executives of public bodies.
- Energy Performance Officers at Departmental level and nominated by public bodies.
- Energy managers or those responsible for energy management in public bodies.
- Key members of energy project teams within public bodies, those responsible for M&R and those interested in energy management or energy saving opportunities within public bodies* are also welcome to attend.

** Note that this event is for public sector personnel only, or for those invited by public bodies to attend on their behalf. Only public sector personnel can attend the sectoral breakout sessions.*



How to register



All those attending the conference must register in advance.

Registration is via Energylink. Please visit:
<https://energylink.seai.ie/event/view/468>
and click '**Attend event**'.

You will need to be a member of Energylink and have your logon details to hand to access the registration page.

If you are not already registered on Energylink, **please apply for free membership here:** <https://energylink.seai.ie/>.

Attendees will be allocated to their relevant Sectoral group for the afternoon Sectoral Breakout Session.

Contact publicsector@seai.ie with any queries.