



National Volunteer Management Conference

Wednesday 1 May 2024

Sheraton Athlone Hotel, Glesson Street, Athlone, County Westmeath, N37 D953



**Volunteer
Ireland**

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Conference programme *

- 09:00 Informal yoga and wake up session** Kristin Kristjandottir (*optional*)
- 09:30 Registration opens** Informal networking
- 10:00 Morning plenary**
- Opening address and Launch of the European Parliament Election 2024 Vote Volunteer Vision campaign in Ireland** Nina Arwitz
- 10:20 Protecting your volunteers' data is everyone's responsibility** Tony Goodrow
- 10:40 National Volunteering Strategy** Department of Rural and Community Development (*TBC*)
- 11:00 Always Learning – Developments in learning** Stuart Garland
- 11:15 Mid-morning break** Informal networking
- 11:30 Morning Masterclasses (*select one*)**
- **Stop underreporting the impact of volunteering** Tony Goodrow
 - **"Breathe", maintaining a mentally healthy lifestyle** Jenna Walsh
 - **Managing risk in your volunteer programme** Stuart Garland
 - **Advocating for your volunteer programme** Jo Gibney
- 12:30 Lunch** Informal networking
- 13:45 Speed Networking** **What's your volunteer engagement challenge?**
- 14:15 Afternoon Masterclasses (*select one*)**
- **Volunteering to combat loneliness in Demark** Dannie Lønne Larsen
 - **Offering flexibility in your volunteer programme** Zsé Varga
 - **AI, its impact and use in our volunteer programmes** John Kilroy
 - **European funding opportunities for capacity building** Jemma Lee
- 15:15 Comfort break**
- 15:30 Afternoon Plenary**
- Investing in Volunteers Awards** Denise Hayward & Nina Arwitz
The young person's perspective Lauren Sweeney & Eva Blackwell
Launch of The Volunteer Charter (*TBC*)
Research: Best practice in volunteer inclusion Dr. Maura Coulter
Closing remarks Nina Arwitz
- 16:30 Conference Ends**
- 16:45 Leaders of Volunteers Happy Hour** Informal networking (*optional*)

Welcome

Welcome to Volunteer Ireland's annual conference. With a mix of national and international speakers, eight master classes and networking over the course of the day, we look forward to welcoming you to this year's National Volunteer Management Conference.

Venue

This year's conference takes place at the [Sheraton Athlone Hotel](#), Gleeson Street, Athlone, County Westmeath, N37 D953. The venue is accessible by Rail, Bus and has over 1,300 car parking spaces.

Tickets

Tickets are available to purchase at www.volunteer.ie. For support please email mariana@volunteer.ie. Tickets include access to: All plenary sessions, 2 master classes (one in the morning and one in the afternoon) all networking sessions lunch & refreshments.

For the latest updates visit www.volunteer.ie/nvmc

Volunteering Village

Drop by early and join us for Yoga wake up session or network with colleagues and visit some of our exhibitor stands during the day.

* Programme subject to change check www.volunteer.ie/nvmc for latest updates.

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