SILAS 2019
Comparisons, Conflicts, and Connections: Ireland and Latin America in the Past, Present, and Future

Trinity College Dublin
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Following previous successful SILAS conferences in Havana, Cork, Morelia, Dublin, Galway and Santa Rosa de la Pampa, the Society of Irish Latin American Studies (SILAS) is pleased to announce that the conference “Comparisons, Conflicts, and Connections: Ireland and Latin America in the Past, Present, and Future” will take place April 23-26 in Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland. In recent years, major political, societal, and religious changes have transformed Ireland and Latin America. From Brexit and the global rise of authoritarian populism to the recent presidential election in Mexico and the ongoing peace process in Colombia, sweeping changes have destabilized and undermined tenets of globalization and neoliberalism, bringing about unpredicted and unpredictable transformations in regions of Ireland and Latin America. In this regard, scholarship that examines transnational, translinguistic and transcultural processes and encounters can help us to understand better the present moment. At a time when the future seems uncertain, analyses of the past and present, as well as imaginations of the future, are imperative. We welcome the submission of papers from scholars across the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Topics for papers and posters can include but are not limited to:

- Migration, Diaspora, and Transoceanic movements
- Cross-Cultural Experiences
- Citizenship, Identity, and Nationalism
- Religion
- Colonialism, Neo-Colonialism, Post-Colonialism, Anti-Colonialism
- Gender, Sexuality, Reproductive rights, Families, Childhood
- Environment, Ecology, Land
- Labor, Capital, and Economics
- Visual Culture, Language, and Literature
- Journalism
- International Relations, Humanitarianism, Human Rights
- Violence, Conflicts, and Resolutions
- Space and Place
Please submit an abstract of up to 250 words and a brief bio (no more than 150 words) for papers and posters to the organisers at sarah.obrien@tcd.ie by 7 DECEMBER 2018. Abstracts must include the title of the presentation and any AV requirements for your presentation. Please put SILAS 2019 and your initials in the subject line. Panel proposals should be no more than 150 words and include the individual proposals as well. Proposals in English, Spanish and Irish will be considered.

Conference Committee: Steve Allen, Margaret Brehony, Mariela Eliggi, Nuala Finnegan, Gisselle Gonzalez, Laura Izzara, Cliona Murphy, and Sarah O’Brien.