Dr Pauric Travers (Chair)

Dr Pauric Travers is a graduate of University College Dublin and the Australian National University, Canberra. An eminent historian and educationalist, he is President Emeritus of St Patrick’s College, Drumcondra, having completed 13 years as President/CEO. Dr Travers has wide experience as a member of various boards and statutory bodies in the educational and cultural field. He has served as a director of the Central Applications Office and as a member of the Teaching Council. He was a member of the Governing Authority of Dublin City University for 14 years. He was a founding director of the Centre for Cross Border Studies in Armagh and of the Standing Committee on Teacher Education, North and South. He has lectured and published on aspects of the conflict in Northern Ireland.

As an educationalist, Dr Travers has been closely involved in the promotion of blended learning and digital technologies in teaching. He played a leading role in the establishment of TEACHNET, the on-line community for teachers, and served as its chair for many years. He has a long standing interest in the educational and historical dimensions of broadcasting.

Mr Alan McDonnell

Alan McDonnell is managing director of Empeira Consultants, a business consultancy specialising in corporate governance and strategy. He holds a Diploma in Corporate Governance from UCD and a Diploma in Company Direction from the Institute of Directors.

Ms Grace Smith

Grace Smith is a highly experienced legal professional with over 20 years practice as an international lawyer in a large legal practice. She is an independent consultant working with commercial, public and not for profit organisations in the intellectual property area in Ireland and for international clients. She is a member of the board of the Gate Theatre.

Professor Maeve McDonagh

Professor McDonagh is an Academic Lawyer specialising in information law including freedom of information, data protection and information technology law and human rights law.
Dr. Rosemary Day

Dr. Day is the Head of Department of Media and Communications Studies at Mary Immaculate College at UL. Teacher and researcher on mass media, regularly publishes on media matters. She is an advocate on community broadcasting. She was involved in the founding two community radio stations and the Community Radio Forum (CRAOL).

Mr. Denis Wolinski

Mr Wolinski is the Former National Manager Northern Ireland, Digital UK, Former Director of Ofcom Northern Ireland and former Head of the NI Independent Television Commission. He is a lecturer/tutor at Griffith College Dublin.

Mr. Seamus Martin

Seamus Martin is a former Irish Times Editor (Features Editor, Columnist, Editor of the Irish Times Electronic Publications, Moscow Correspondent, South Africa Correspondent and International Editor). He is also a consultant and researcher for various radio and TV programmes and is a Winner of Gold Award 2012 at New York Festivals World Best Radio Programmes for ‘Death of an Empire’ five part series on Russia.

Mr. Seán Ó Mórdha

Seán Ó Mórdha is an independent producer, director and broadcaster of documentary film and television focusing on Irish culture, history, language and literature. He is also a former producer/director at RTÉ.

Ms. Mary Curtis

Ms. Mary Curtis has served in a number of senior positions in media, including deputy Director of Television at RTÉ and head of UTV Ireland. She also served on the Board of RTÉ for 6 years. She is currently working as a Broadcasting and Media Consultant.