

# Schedule

8:15am – 9:20am:

**Registration**

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Limerick Institute of Technology



9:20am – 9:25am:

**Introduction**

Caroline Spillane, Director General, Engineers Ireland

9:25am – 9:35am:

**Opening Welcome Address**

Barry Lowe, Engineering Manager at Lufthansa Technik Turbine Shannon and  
Chair of the Thomond Region

## Session 1: Engineering a Region: Infrastructure

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9:35am – 10:00am:

**The National Infrastructure Commission: A British Perspective**

Lord Andrew Adonis, Former Chair of the National Infrastructure  
Commission, UK

10:00am – 10:25am:

**Southern Regional Assembly: Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES)  
Context, Content & Process**

Stephen Blair, Director, Southern Regional Assembly

10:25am – 10:45am:

**Ervia - Delivering Vital Infrastructure and Services to Support Ireland's Future  
Economic Growth**

Mike Quinn, CEO, Ervia

10:45am – 11:05am:

**Question and Answer Session**

11:05am – 11:35am:

**Networking Break**

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## Session 2: Engineering a Region: Industry and Talent

11:35am – 12:00pm:

**Thinking Differently to Build a New Limerick:  
Perspectives on the Limerick 2030 Economic and Spatial Strategy**

Dr. Pat Daly, Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Service, Economic  
Development and Planning, Limerick City and County Council

12:00pm – 12:25pm:

**Competing to Winning Foreign Direct Investment**

Michael Lohan, Head of Life Sciences & Strategic Property, IDA Ireland

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- 12:25pm – 12:50pm:** **It's all about Talent!**  
Paschal Meehan, Chair of Limerick for Engineering and Dean of Work Based Learning and VP International at Limerick Institute of Technology
- 12:50pm – 1:25pm:** **Question and Answer Session**
- 1:25pm – 2:40pm:** **Lunch and Networking Break**  
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## Session 3: Engineering a Region: Innovation

- 2:40pm – 3:05pm:** **Dr Kieran Feighan, President of Engineers Ireland**
- 3:05pm – 3:30pm:** **Ireland & Industry 4.0**  
Professor Conor McCarthy, Centre Director, Confirm – Smart Manufacturing, A world leading SFI Research Centre
- 3:30pm – 3:50pm:** **Case Study: Electrifying Transport**  
Dr. Emma Silke, Head of Business Development, ESB eCars
- 3:50pm – 4:10pm:** **Case Study: JLR ACES (Autonomous, Connected, Electrified, Shared Mobility)**  
John Cormican, General Manager, Vehicle Engineering, Jaguar Land Rover Ireland
- 4:10pm – 4:35pm:** **Engineering Ireland**  
John Moran, Social Entrepreneur, Founder of RHH International, Board Member of the European Investment Bank and former Secretary General, Department of Finance
- 4:35pm – 4:55pm:** **Question and Answer Session**
- 4:55pm:** **Closing remarks by Dr Kieran Feighan, President of Engineers Ireland**
- 7:00pm:** **Drinks Reception**  
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- 8:00pm:** **Engineers Ireland Annual Conference Gala Ball**

