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The Irish Humanities Alliance (IHA) Is an alliance of humanities researchers within 11 higher education and research institutions including all the universities across the island of Ireland and the Royal Irish Academy (RIA) which hosts and supports the IHA. The Alliance is working to generate public awareness of the importance of humanities teaching and research in higher education and society at large and aims to inform and shape public policy in both jurisdictions and in the EU.

The Alliance is keen to foster an **inclusive research culture** that encompasses the **entire range of humanities disciplines**. The Alliance demonstrates the breadth of Irish expertise across the humanities disciplines through its annual conference. Recent IHA conferences have addressed the themes of [Migration and the Humanities](#), [the intersection of medical & digital humanities](#) and [Border Heritage](#) were open to a broad range of humanities disciplines (classics; ethnomusicology; history; languages; philosophy etc.).

The Alliance **is inviting proposals** for its 2020 annual conference. The successful applicants will propose an overall conference theme [200-250 words] that is inter- and trans-disciplinary and **open to the broad spectrum of humanities fields**.

Eligibility:

Academic staff, at all stages of their career, including post-docs and early career scholars on full-time, part-time or temporary contracts in Higher Education Institutions that are members of the Irish Humanities Alliance. The Alliance especially welcomes interested proposals by collective projects and proposals that involve post-docs and early career researchers in the planning process.

Application Process

The successful applicants will have the opportunity to run a conference (in **autumn/winter 2020**) under the auspices of the Alliance and **underwritten up to €3,500**. They will nominate individuals to join an IHA Steering Committee and this committee will take responsibility for organising the conference through issuing the Call for Papers, organising the programme etc.

Proposals should be submitted by **5pm Friday, 28 February 2020**. proposals will:
- Outline a conference theme that is open to the broad range of humanities disciplines (250 words);
- Contain a draft Call for Papers (250 words) to be issued; and
- Offer names and email addresses of three individuals to join the steering committee.

You can submit your application here at [this jotform link](#).

Queries may be emailed to the Director of the IHA, Dr Mel Farrell, at: [m.farrell@ria.ie.](mailto:m.farrell@ria.ie)
The IHA Board of Management will make a final decision on the appropriate theme for the 2020 annual conference and the Director will then take the appropriate action to work with the successful applicant on arranging the conference.

Further information

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