



## Travel Information

NPA Annual Conference 2017 – Blue Opportunity  
21<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – Galway, Ireland

### Dear Northern Ireland’s participants,

Please find below the necessary information which you might need during your stay in Galway under the NPA conference 2017.

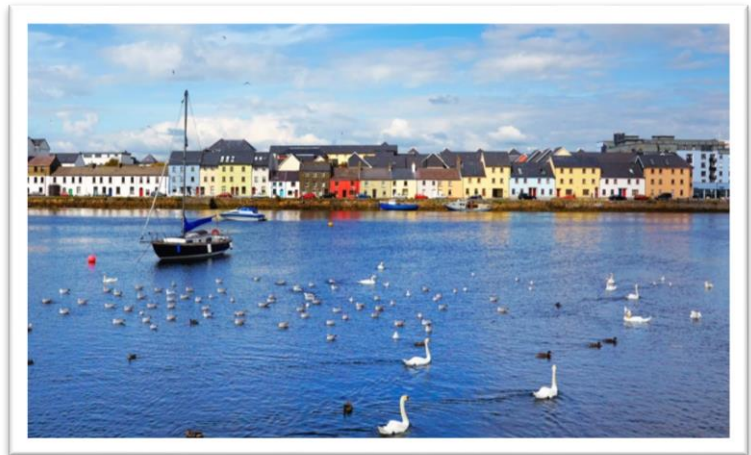
### Galway City

Galway City is placed in the West of Ireland and is one of the most unique parts of Ireland for visitors to explore.

Galway City was originally formed from a small fishing village located in the area at the Spanish Arch called “the Claddagh” where River Corrib meets Galway Bay. Galway later became a walled town in the year 1232 after the territory was captured by the Anglo Normans lead by Richhard De Burgo.

Today Galway City is thriving, bohemian, cultural city on the western coast of Ireland. Along with being popular sea side

destination with beautiful beaches and long winding promenade, Galway is often referred to as the “most Irish” of Ireland’s cities, as it’s the only one where your likely to hear Irish spoken in the streets, shops and pubs.



Galway has been selected as a European Capital of Culture in the year 2020.



Webpage for more information: [www.galwaytourism.ie](http://www.galwaytourism.ie)



## Connacht Hotel

Address: Old Dublin Rd, Galway Ireland

Telephone: + 353 91 381 200

Webpage: <http://www.theconnacht.ie/>

The Connacht Hotel is a popular Galway hotel, located on the main Dublin road as you enter Galway city centre. It is only 4 km from Galway City, and 15 km from Marine Institute. The hotel offers extensive free parking, free WiFi and a regular bus route close by the hotel and taxi rank at the entrance with direct access to the city centre or alternatively Eyre Square is a 20 minute walk. Due to its prime location, The Connacht Hotel is your perfect accommodation choice when visiting Galway, for business and pleasure.



There is access to 24 hour active fitness, leisure club which has a gym, jacuzzi, sauna, steam room and 20m indoor pool.

## Marine Institute (conference venue)

Address: Rinville, Oranmore, Co. Galway.

Telephone: Phone: (+)353 (0)9 138 7200

Webpage: [www.marine.ie](http://www.marine.ie)



The venue is the Marine Institute, which plays a national coordination role in the Atlantic Strategy.

Marine Institute is the national agency responsible for marine research, technology development and innovation in Ireland. They carry out environmental, fisheries and aquaculture surveys and monitoring programmes to meet Ireland's national and international legal requirements.



The Marine Institute was set up under the Marine Institute Act 1991: *“to undertake, to coordinate, to promote and to assist in marine research and development and to provide such services related to research and development, that in the opinion of the Institute, will promote economic development and create employment and protect the marine environment.”*

## Maps:

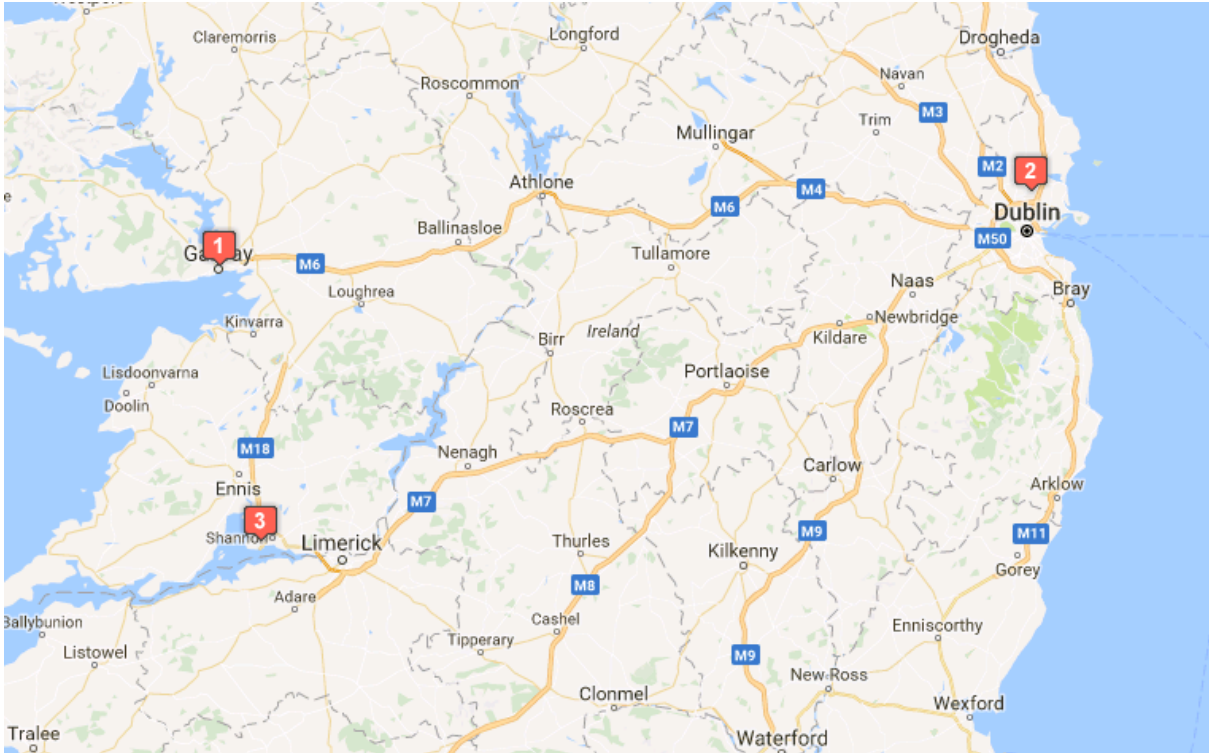


1 – Galway City

2 – Galway Bus station

3 – Hotel Connacht

4 – Marine Institute



1 – Galway City

2 - Dublin Airport

3 - Shannon Airport

## BUS INFORMATION AND TIMETABLE

[www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie)

**Galway Bus station – Dublin Airport / Dublin airport – Galway Bus station, Route x20**

Type	Single	Return
Adult	€ 10,45	€ 20,90

**Galway Bus station – Shannon Airport/ Shannon Airport – Galway Bus station , Route 51; x51**

Type	Single	Return
Adult	€ 9,50	€ 9,50

### Booking:

You can find more information about the booking and timetable at [www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie)



<http://www.gobus.ie/>

**Galway Bus station – Dublin City / Dublin City – Galway Bus station**

Type	Single		Return	
	Online	Onboard	Online	Onboard
Adult	€ 13	€ 15	€ 23	€ 25

**Galway Bus station – Dublin Airport / Dublin City – Galway Bus station**

Type	Single		Return	
	Online	Onboard	Online	Onboard
Adult	€ 18	€ 20	€ 28	€ 30

**Book in advance:**

In order to guarantee availability, the company recommends you book your tickets in advance, either online at [www.gobus.is](http://www.gobus.is) or over the phone: 091 564 600

**Car rental:**

<http://www.autoeurope.dk/>

**Taxi service Galway:**

<http://www.galwaytaxis.com/>

Telephone: 091 561 111