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IN-BETWEENNESS: INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES ON IRISH CULTURE

Friday, 3 April 2026

Room Li159, MLI building, Université de Caen Normandie
Guest speakers:

CAROLE JACQUET, HEAD OF DEVELOPMENT AND HERITAGE AT THE CENTRE CULTUREL IRLANDAIS, PARIS
CHRISTOPHE GILLISSEN, PROFESSOR IN IRISH STUDIES AT UNIVERSITÉ DE CAEN NORMANDIE

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Room Li 159, MLI Building, Campus 1, Université de Caen Normandie

- 8.45 Welcome
- 9.00 Opening speech by **Anne Catherine DE BOUVIER**,
Lecturer at Université de Caen Normandie and Assistant
Director of the research group ERIBIA (Interdisciplinary group
of research on British, American, and Irish studies)
- 9.15 **Carole JACQUET**,
Head of Development and Heritage at Centre Culturel Irlandais (Paris)
Chair: **Bertrand CARDIN**.

PANEL 1 (CHAIR: Sarah LEVY-VALENSI)

- 9.45 **Feliks LEVIN**, AARHUS UNIVERSITY, DENMARK
*'Negotiating the Irishness of the Old English in Seventeenth-Century
Historical Narratives'*
- 10.05 **Peter LINKENS**, MARY IMMACULATE COLLEGE OF LIMERICK, REPUBLIC
OF IRELAND
*'"The Land of Longing": C.S. Lewis, Proud Irishman and Loyal
King's Man'*
- 10.25 Questions & Answers
- 10.35 Coffee break

PANEL 2 (CHAIR: Eva Elisabeth GALLOT)

- 11.00 **Catherine VIGIER**, UNIVERSITÉ DE ROUEN, FRANCE
'Irish Neutrality, the European Union and the Democratic Process'

- 11.20 **Timothy WHITE**, XAVIER UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, OHIO, USA
*'In Between Protestant Dominance and the Narrative of Irish
Unification: Stormont's Role in the Post-Good Friday Agreement Period'*

- 11.40 Questions & Answers

- 12.30 Lunch at Le Pavillon restaurant

PANEL 3 (CHAIR: Andrea ZVONÍCKOVÁ)

- 14.00 **Fiona McCANN**, SORBONNE UNIVERSITÉ, PARIS, FRANCE
*'Transborder Poetics in James Conor Patterson's Bandit Country
(2022)'*
- 14.20 **Marie GEMRICHOVÁ**, CHARLES UNIVERSITY, PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC
*'Everyday Reconciliation: Cross-Communal Labour in Michelle Gallen's
Factory Girls'*
- 14.40 Questions & Answers
- 15.00 Coffee break

PANEL 4 (CHAIR: Fiona MCCANN)

- 15.20 **Abdelkader HOMIDA** and **Miloud HOMIDA**,
ZIANE ACHOUR UNIVERSITY OF DJELEA, ALGERIA
*'Between Exile and Return: Transitional Figures and the Crisis of
National Narratives in Anne Enright's The Green Road'*
- 15.40 Questions & Answers
- 15.50 **Christophe GILLISSEN**, PROFESSOR AT UNIVERSITÉ DE CAEN NORMANDIE
Chair: **Anne Catherine DE BOUVIER**
- 17.00 End of the conference