

Making Europe Work For Development

An Agenda for Irish MEPs

A public meeting to discuss how Europe can make a difference for Development

15 May 2009, 10am-12noon

European Parliament Office, 43 Molesworth Street, Dublin 2

The European Parliament elections in June 2009 provide an outstanding opportunity to send representatives to Europe's democratically elected parliament that will do their utmost to help make world poverty history.

On 15 May, Ireland's Development NGOs will present their ideas of how Irish MEPs can play a positive role in the global efforts to reduce poverty and promote human development.

Those ideas are supported by 850,000 people; the people who support the work of the 39 Dóchas member organisations. A sizeable constituency, that is passionate about global justice. And that will take a keen interest in the role Irish MEPs play in that context.

The 15 May event will provide all MEP candidates with an opportunity to set out their vision of how the EU can make a difference for the world's poorest people.

In a public debate forum, facilitated by Journalist **Fintan O'Toole**, **MEP candidates** will be able to discuss their views with staff and supporters of Irish Development NGOs. **Sylvia Borren**, co-chair of the Global Call to Action Against Poverty (GCAP), will speak on the importance of the European Parliament for Development.

To register for this event, please contact Anna Farrell at:
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