



## AGM 2024 Announcement

The ILAS Annual General Meeting is scheduled for **Sunday January 28, 2024, at 12:00** in the Spa Hotel in Lucan.

The draft minutes of the 2023 AGM may be downloaded from the Downloads section of the ILAS website (login is required). Anyone who has difficulty accessing this should e-mail [secretary@ilas.ie](mailto:secretary@ilas.ie).

The outgoing Committee wishes to strongly encourage members to consider putting themselves forward for a role on the Committee, as a diversity of expertise is required to manage the Society's day-to-day responsibilities. Committee meetings have been successfully conducted online over the last three years, so 'long-distance' membership of the Committee is now better facilitated than heretofore.

As per the ILAS Constitution, candidates for officer positions or Committee membership should be notified to [secretary@ilas.ie](mailto:secretary@ilas.ie) at least 14 days before the AGM, but may also be proposed at the AGM itself.

Invoices for the annual membership subscription for 2024 will be issuing early in the New Year. Payment will be possible online via *Stripe*, or by cheque/money order via surface mail to the **Permit Secretary c/o 15 Herbert Park, Bray, Co Wicklow, A98 P3X2**. Note that the membership subscription is €50, but there's a **reduction to €40 for existing members who pay within 30 days** of the issuing of the invoice.

**Participation in the January 2024 AGM** is contingent on being **a member in good standing for the 2023 membership year**.

I would like to mention here a **proposal for change to the ILAS Constitution** to be considered at the AGM, arising from the 2023 Annual Review with the IAA:

*In keeping with the [United Nations Guidelines for gender-inclusive language in English](#), the Committee is proposing to amend the ILAS Constitution so that the title of the "Chairman" in the ILAS Constitution be changed to "Chairperson" (six occurrences). This title change would then follow naturally in the ILAS NMOM in the next version to be agreed with the IAA, as would any further changes to make ILAS documents and communications fully gender-inclusive.*

Kind regards and best wishes for 2024,

Noel Murphy, Hon Secretary,  
on behalf of the ILAS Chairman and Committee