

# Schools for Resilience

## A European Training Seminar

### Linking Schools with Communities

PLACE BASED LEARNING | COMMUNITY RESILIENCE | THE TRANSITION TO A LOW CARBON SOCIETY

**WeCreate Workspace, Cloughjordan Ecovillage**  
County Tipperary, Ireland. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of October 2016

Cost of 2 day seminar including lunches and dinner - €65  
Accommodation Django's Hostel in the Ecovillage (Shared Room) - €30 per night  
Accommodation Django's Hostel in the Ecovillage (Private Room) - €50 per night  
Accommodation own room in local B&B - €60 per night



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This seminar will introduce a new approach in environmental education for schools, development education and Education for Sustainable Development, using a Place Based Learning methodology in the context of climate adaptation and community sustainability and resilience.

## SfR Project

School for Resilience is a European funded project (SfR) developing a fresh approach in school environmental education. The flexible SfR module is competency based and fosters initiative, co-operation, a sense of place, entrepreneurship and creativity around adaptation to challenges such as climate change.

## Booking

For more information and booking contact Davie Philip at [davie@cultivate.ie](mailto:davie@cultivate.ie) or +353 (0)505 6061

### Participatory Format

This gathering will be highly participative blending facilitated conversations and presentations.



### Unique Setting

The event will be held in the WeCreate Workspace in Cloughjordan Ecovillage, one of Europe's leading sustainable community projects.



### Accommodation

Django's Eco-Hostel is located in the ecovillage. To book room or a bed [www.djangoshostel.com](http://www.djangoshostel.com). Limited B&B accommodation is also available.



## Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016

- 10.30 - Orientation for teachers and learners
- 11.45 - Building Sustainable Community – The Ecovillage Story
- 13.00 - Local Lunch
- 14.00 - A conversation on Community Resilience
- 16.30 - Tour of Cloughjordan Ecovillage
- 17.30 - Close

20.00 - Learning Communities – A discussion led by Professor Peadar Kirby

## Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016

- 10.00 - Welcome and introduction to Schools for Resilience
- 10.30 - Teaching in the context of a changing climate - Lizzy Noone
- 11.00 - Lessons from the Schools for Resilience pilots
- 11.30 - Break
- 12.00 - Place Based Learning - Mikel Errazkin, Faculty of Education at Mondragon University
- 13.00 - Lunch
- 14.00 - Conversation Café “How do we best connect schools to the community?”
- 15.00 - Conversation Harvest
- 15.30 - Lessons from the Schools for Resilience pilots
- 16.00 - Keynote – Education and the transition to a low carbon society - Professor Peadar Kirby
- 17.00 - Close

## Speaker Biographies

**Lizzy Noone.** Project Officer at the WorldWide Global Schools (WWGS) Programme, a ‘one-stop-shop’ for all Irish post primary schools that want to engage in Development Education (DE). Lizzy has been working with schools on Development Education and campaigning for 15 years. She has been a member of the steering group of the Global Campaign for Education and Stop Climate Chaos for many years.

**Mikel Errazkin.** Researcher and educational expert. Degree in Social and Cultural Anthropology and Engineering. Postgraduate in Educational Innovation. He is currently a teacher in the Faculty of Education at Mondragon University and responsible for the design of educational materials for Basque schools.

**Peadar Kirby** is Professor Emeritus of International Politics and Public Policy at the University of Limerick. Peadar now lives in Ireland's only ecovillage in Cloughjordan, Co Tipperary and is currently writing a book on the political economy of climate change.

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## Unique Setting

The seminar will be held in the new WeCreate Workspace in Cloughjordan Ecovillage, winner of the UN backed International Award for Liveable Communities. The Ecovillage includes 55 low energy houses on a 67-acre estate with community woodlands, renewable energy production, a wood-fired bakery, research gardens and the Cloughjordan Community Farm. This setting provides participants with an opportunity to see many key working sustainable systems in practice and to hear the stories of people seeking to play their part in the transition to a low carbon society.

## Getting Here

Dublin Airport is the easiest place to fly into, however we are as close to Shannon airport as well. From Dublin the easiest way to get to Cloughjordan is by train from Houston Station.

Information and tickets can be booked here <http://www.irishrail.ie/travel-information/cloughjordan>

On Sunday's there is one train at 18:25 which arrives at 20:22, you change trains at Ballybrophy. Note that there are other trains listed in the timetable which will take you half way across the country and back so avoid those.

There are two options for a bus from Dublin to Nenagh a town near Cloughjordan which we can arrange transport to pick you up. These busses leave from the Airport or from Dublin. Details and timetables can be found here. <http://www.buseireann.ie/> and <http://jjkavanagh.ie/>

