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From Bench to Boardroom: Governance Strategies for Health Tech Leaders

BIOINN VATE Symposium 2025

EVENT PROGRAMME

Thursday 5th June 2025 1:00pm-5pm

Registration and Networking 1pm-1:30pm

Institute for Lifecourse and Society, University of Galway

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AGENDA

1:30-2:15pm

WHY?

Value of a good chairperson

Practical tips to build and manage your board

2:30 -3:15PM

HOW?

Best practice for you and your directors



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WHY?

SPEAKERS

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- Practical tips to build and manage your board



Dr Elizabeth McGloughlin Co-founder, Tympany Medical

Dr Elizabeth (Liz) McGloughlin is the co-founder of start-up Tympany Medical, a med-tech company based in Galway, which develops endoscopes for the ENT market, specifically sinus surgery. With experience in medicine, anaesthesia, and critical care, she has a deep understanding of the clinical needs and challenges in the ENT field, and how to translate them into innovative solutions. Liz and the team have built a significant funding record, patent portfolio and product pipeline for Tympany medical, with team members in disciplines including Optical Physics, Biomedical Engineering and Miniaturised Electronics.



Marie Gavin Partner, RDJ Galway

Marie is a Partner, practising as part of the firm's Corporate and Commercial team. She has extensive experience advising corporate and institutional clients on corporate transactions and company law. On the transaction side, Marie has advised companies and both private and venture capital investors on investment projects and equity fundraising. She has extensive experience in advising the research performing community on collaborative research generally to include advices on appropriate contractual frameworks for the establishment of research centres and advices on multi-lateral collaborative research projects taking into account state aid considerations and funding party requirements. Marie also regularly advices industry parties on knowledge transfer transactions to include IP licensing arrangements, patent assignments and participation in research consortia generally.



Paul Gilson Medical Device Entrepreneur

Paul is a seasoned medical device entrepreneur who has raised over €150 million in VC and corporate funding across the UK, US, EU, and Ireland. He co-founded and exited three start-ups, including Novate Medical (acquired by BTG), Veryan Medical (acquired by Otsuka), and MedNova (acquired by Abbott). He chaired Embo Medical, acquired by C.R. Bard. Formerly R&D Director at Bard Cardiology, he led multiple cardiovascular innovations. Paul now serves on the boards of several MedTech start-ups including Bluedrop, Selio Medical, Ostoform, InVera Medical, Kite Medical, and Proverum. He brings extensive experience in innovation, leadership, and successful exits.



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Caroline has held several senior leadership roles including most recently as Director General of Engineers Ireland, the all-Ireland professional body for engineers, CEO of the Medical Council of Ireland, the independent statutory regulator of over 20,000 medical practitioners and Assistant National Director of the Health Services Executive.

Caroline is an experienced Non-Executive Director serving as a board member of the Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA), ESB Networks and Irish Manufacturing Research. She is also a member of the 30% Club, a campaign which is led by a group of business Chairpersons and CEOs taking action to increase gender diversity on boards and senior management teams.



Lorna Smyth EMEA Solution Engineering Manager, Diligent

Lorna Smyth is the EMEA Solution Engineering Manager at Diligent, a leading provider of SaaS solutions for governance, risk and compliance. With over a decade of experience in the technology sector, she has held roles at Hewlett-Packard, DXC Technology, Colgate-Palmolive, and SmartBear. At Diligent, Lorna collaborates with C-suite executives, board members, legal counsels, and company secretaries to implement scalable governance frameworks that support organizational growth and resilience. Lorna is an advocate for Women in IT volunteering her time with the ITAG's Digital Women's Forum and working with universities and schools to educate students about the tech industry and possible career options.



Ruairí Cosgrove

Director, Entity Governance and Compliance Department, PwC

Ruairí heads up the Entity Governance and Compliance Department and is the Vice-President of the Chartered Governance Institute UK&I and former President of the Chartered Governance Institute, Irish Region. Ruairí has over 20 years' experience in the provision of all forms of governance services. Ruairí advises on corporate governance and provides induction and training courses for directors. Ruairí speaks at internal and external conferences and lectures on the Law Society Company Secretarial Law and Practice course.

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BioInnovate End of Year Symposium 2025

AGENDA

3:30pm -5 pm Introduction Mr Jonathan McCrea & Professor Martin O'Halloran

Panel Discussion: Empowering Innovation: Shaping the next generation of HealthTech professionals

BioInnovate Pitches: Presentations on three needs-based innovations followed by questions from the audience

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Empowering Innovation: Shaping the next generation of HealthTech professionals

SPEAKERS



Frank White, R&D Director, Medtronic

Completed "Strategic Innovation for Senior Executives" (2024)



Caroline Higgins, R&D Project Manager, Veryan Medical

Completed "BioInnovate 101: Essentials of Health Technology Innovation" (2025)



Sean Shanley, Senior R&D Functional Manager & technical Lead within Structural Heart, Boston Scientific

- Completed "BioInnovate 10-day Intrapreneurship" (2025)
- Completed "Strategic Innovation for Senior Executives" (2024)



Camille O'Malley, Industry Training Manager, BioInnovate

- Co-Founder & CTO Xtremedy Medical
- BioInnovate Alumnus (2018/2019)

HYPERTENSION TEAM

Hypertension Clinical Champions



Prof. Faisal Sharif Consultant Interventional Cardiologist, Galway University Hospitals



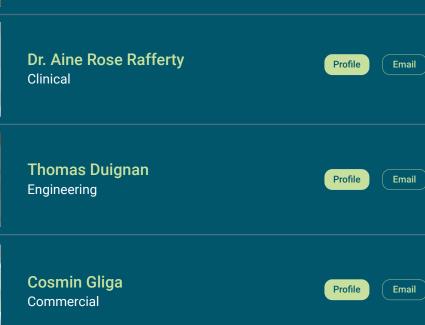
Prof. Conall Dennedy Consultant Endocrinologist, Galway University Hospital

Hypertension Team Members



Paul Davey Commercial





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INTERVENTIONAL ONCOLOGY TEAM

Interventional Oncology Clinical Champions



Dr. Michael McCarthy Consultant Medical Oncologist Galway University Hospital



Dr. Declan Sheppard Consultant Radiologist, and Clinical Director of Radiology, Galway University Hospital

Interventional Oncology Team Members



Kieran Hannon Commercial





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NEPHROLOGY TEAM

Nephrology Clinical Champions



Dr. Conor Judge Consultant Nephrologist, Galway University Hospital



Dr. Ciara Magee Consultant Nephrologist, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin



Prof. Donal Reddan Consultant Nephrologist, Galway University Hospital



Dr. Colm Magee Consultant Nephrologist at Beaumont Hospital, Dublin and Rotunda Hospital

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Nephrology Team Members



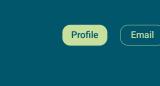
Gavan Hennessy Commercial



Caitríona Geraghty Clinical



Jake Dunlea Engineering



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Apoorv Purohit Engineering

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INDUSTRY TRAINEES

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2025!

Alison McDonagh	Medtronic
Connor Gilmore	Medtronic
Lara Frampton	Medtronic
Samuel Opashi	Medtronic
Blain Prendergast	Medtronic
Leanne Ruane	Medtronic
Maeve McWalter	Medtronic
Shane Phillips	Medtronic
Conor Reddin	Medtronic
Ewa Klusak	Boston Scientific
Sean Shanley	Boston Scientific
Richie Kiely	Boston Scientific
Orla McGee	Boston Scientific
Daire Grant	Boston Scientific
Adam Doherty	Boston Scientific
Marina Bandeira	Boston Scientific
Roisin Clancy	Boston Scientific
Celia Faria	Boston Scientific
Fiona Gannon	Boston Scientific
David Giles	Boston Scientific
Colin Greene	Boston Scientific



UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



BioInnovate 101: Essentials of Health Technology Innovation (3 days)

Now open for March 2026 Broad range of disciplines from clinical, R&D, Marketing, Software and Quality.



Register for 2026



Strategic Innovation for Senior Executives (3 days)

Now recruiting for 21-23 Oct 2025



Register here

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