



**Draft RPL Practitioner Network Event programme Autumn 2024**

9.30 am	<b>Registration Tea and Coffee</b>
10.00 – 10.05	<b>Opening and welcome</b> Siobhan Magee, <i>FESS</i> and Karina Curley, <i>DCU</i> RPL Practitioner Network Co Convenors 2024 – 2025
10.05 – 10.20	<b>Quality and Qualifications Ireland : Update and national, international scene setting.</b> Dr Jim Murray, <i>Director of Development at Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI)</i>
10.20 – 11.30	<b>Overview and Reflection on 5<sup>th</sup> VPL Biennale</b> Siobhan Murray, <i>RPL Co-ordinator in Donegal ETB. RPL PN Steering Group member</i>  <b>Building on the Biennale; Lightning Talks and Reflection</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dr Phil O Leary, <i>Munster Technological University (Skills)</i></li> <li>○ Dr Cathal de Paor, <i>Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick (Individual)</i></li> <li>○ Patsy Hogan, <i>QA Officer in Limerick and Clare ETB, RPL PN Steering Group member (Inclusion)</i></li> <li>○ Bridie Killoran, <i>Careers and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Manager to the HCI Higher Ed 4.0 project, Atlantic Technological University (Individual)</i></li> </ul> <b>Questions from floor</b>
11.30 – 11.40	<b>Introduction to Breakout Rooms</b>
11.40 – 12.00	<b>Coffee Break</b>
12.00 – 12.25 & 12.30 – 13:00	<b>Breakout Rooms</b> Brief: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Each session will run twice and each participant will attend 2 breakout room sessions.</li> <li>2. There will be a 5 minute break to allow for sessions changeover.</li> <li>3. Rooms are organised around the themes from the 5<sup>th</sup> VPL Biennale                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Breakout 1: <b>Inclusion</b>                                  Patsy Hogan, LCETB and Stuart Garland, Volunteer Ireland</li> <li>○ Breakout 2: <b>Mobility</b>                                  Siobhan Murray, Donegal ETB and Carol Lynch, RPL in Higher Ed Project, Maynooth University</li> <li>○ Breakout 3: <b>Individual</b>                                  Mary Stokes, CDET B and Amanda Butler, KCETB</li> <li>○ Breakout 4: <b>Skills</b>                                  Ruby Cooney, Aontas and Olive Kelly RPL in Higher Ed Project, ATU</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

**National Event** “People Validation and Power, RPL in Ireland (Sharing, Learning)”  
 Wednesday, 6 November 2024  
 Sheraton Hotel, Athlone, N37 D95



13:00 – 14:00	<b>Lunch</b>
14:00 – 14:20	<p><b>‘Fireside Chat, RPL from Start to Finish ’</b> with <i>Martina Needham, RPL Expert and former Co Convenor, RPL Practitioner Network</i></p> <p>Facilitated by Angela Higgins, Quality Assurance in FET, KWETB and RPL PN Steering Group former Co Convenor</p>
14:20 – 14:40	<b>Feedback from Breakout rooms – Rapporteurs</b>
14:40 – 15:20	<p><b>Panel</b></p> <p><i>Facilitated by Catherine Fox; Deputy Principal, Dunboyne College of Further Education, RPL PN Steering Group member</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fergus Craddock, <i>FET Inclusion Manager, ETBI</i></li> <li>○ Colleen Dube; <i>Chief Executive Officer, National Adult Literacy Agency</i></li> <li>○ Grace Edge, <i>Project Director, National RPL in Higher Education Project</i></li> <li>○ Dr Jim Murray, <i>Director of Development, QQI</i></li> <li>○ Michelle Nugent, <i>RPL Applicant and Mentor, LCETB</i></li> </ul>
15:20 – 15:30	<b>Q &amp; A</b>
15.30	<b>Close</b>

**\*Note there will be a morning meeting for those who are new to RPL in Breakout Room 4**