Sustainable Futures through Play

Advancing Children's Right to Play through Climate Action, Nature-Based Solutions and Community Places

Friday 20th November
Dublin City University
(All Hallows Campus)
10am–3.30pm



How can we create more sustainable, inclusive and play-friendly environments for children in a changing climate?

IPA Ireland invites you to a day of inspiration, discussion and connection.

Bringing together perspectives from across policy, research and practice, this event explores shared challenges and opportunities at the intersection of children's right to play and climate action.

We're delighted to welcome speakers from Ireland and across Europe, including:

- **Dr Orla Kelly (Ireland)** - Outdoor learning and education for sustainability
- **Tassy Thompson (Norway)** – Creative playspace design and nature-based play
- **Jens Thoms Ivarsson (Sweden)** – Rain playgrounds and climate-adaptive urban design
- **Ian Mostert (Netherlands)** – GreenBlue Schoolyards project
- **Tomás Aylward (Ireland)** - Play, outdoor learning and inclusive practice

...and more

Be inspired

Hear fresh perspectives and innovative approaches from across Europe.



Explore practical solutions

See examples of nature-based play, sustainable design and climate-adaptive public spaces.



Connect and collaborate

Exchange ideas and connect with others across research, policy and practice.



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