

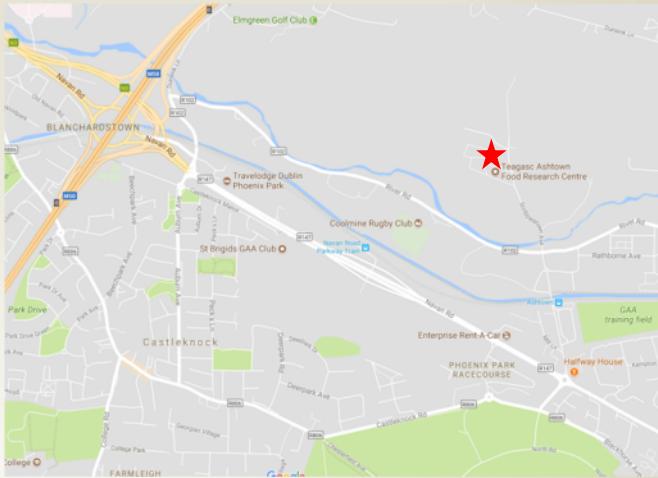
## Conference location

The conference will be held in Room 3 of the Conference Centre, Teagasc Ashtown Food Research Centre, Scribblestown Avenue, Dublin 15, D15 KN3K.

Lat/Long: 53.381007 N, 6.336974 W.

Free parking is available onsite.

Ashtown Railway station is a 10-minute walk from the Centre.



## Register

Register, free of charge, at [www.ShortFor.eventbrite.ie](http://www.ShortFor.eventbrite.ie)

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# The potential of Short Rotation Forestry to supply biomass in Ireland

ShortFor project Conference  
Teagasc Ashtown Food Research Centre  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017





## ShortFor Conference

The collaborative ShortFor project funded by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine explores the potential of Short Rotation Forestry (SRF) to supply biomass in Ireland and contribute to meeting national renewable energy targets.

This conference will cover SRF topics ranging from species choice and planting density to fuel characterisation and economic and environmental sustainability.

## Who should attend?

This conference is aimed to researchers, state agencies, forest owners, foresters and forestry companies, commercial and industrial stakeholders and end-users.

## Keynote speaker – Dr Andrew Leslie

Andrew is a Senior Lecturer of the Department of Science, Natural Resources and Outdoor Studies, University of Cumbria. His interests lie in the silviculture and sustainable management of natural and plantation forests, particularly of short-rotation forestry for biomass. Prior to teaching he worked mainly overseas on forestry development projects, as a forest researcher and in project management in countries as diverse as Somalia, Lesotho, Guyana and Vanuatu. Andrew's publications are mainly the results of silvicultural research. He has recently completed a PhD at Edinburgh University entitled "Eucalypts as a genus for short rotation forestry in Great Britain". He teaches a broad range of subjects including silviculture, forest management, business and forest policy.

## Programme

9.15	<b>Registration</b>
9.30	<b>Introduction</b> Conor O'Reilly, UCD – ShortFor Project coordinator Chair: Nuala Ní Fhlatharta - Teagasc
9.45	<b>Keynote address</b> Andrew Leslie - University of Cumbria
10.20	<b>Early results of plant density trials of some potential species for Short Rotation Forestry</b> Ignacio Sevillano - Teagasc
10.40	<b>Morphological and physiological response to competition in alder, eucalyptus and spruce</b> Susan Foreman – University College Dublin / Teagasc
11.00	<b>Poster session</b> Tea / Coffee / Scones
11.30	<b>Eucalyptus Short Rotation Forestry and harvesting methods</b> Enda Coates – Waterford Institute of Technology
11.50	<b>Greenhouse Gas Balance of Irish Short Rotation Forestry</b> Mike Clancy – University of Limerick
12.10	<b>Impact of Short Rotation Forestry on soil water and nutrients</b> Mark O'Connor – Trinity College Dublin
12.30	<b>The economic potential of Short Rotation Forestry in Ireland</b> Ana de Miguel – Coillte (formerly Waterford Institute of Technology)
12.50	<b>General discussion</b>
13.30	<b>Lunch</b> Tea / Coffee / Sandwiches
14.00	<b>Close</b>

## Project collaborators



## Project funding

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