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Fishweirs and Coastal Communities in Northwest Europe: an Archaeological Workshop

UCD School of Archaeology, Dublin
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9.00am	Registration at UCD School of Archaeology	
9.15am	Introduction/welcome	
9.30am	Session 1: Fishweirs in northwest Europe: their character, chronology and research potential	
9.30am	Prehistoric and Medieval fishweirs on the Shannon estuary, Ireland	Dr. Aidan O'Sullivan and Mary Dillon, UCD
10.00am	Medieval fishweirs on Strangford Lough, Northern Ireland	Tom McErlean, CMA, University of Ulster at Coleraine
10.30am	Mesolithic and Neolithic fishweirs on the Liffey estuary, Dublin	Melanie McQuade, Margaret Gowen & Co., Dublin
11.00 -11.15am	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>	
11.15am	Prehistoric fishing structures on the Severn estuary	Prof. Martin Bell, University of Reading
11.45am	Saxon and Medieval fishweirs and traps on the Severn Estuary	Dr. Alex Brown, University of Reading
12.15pm	Prehistoric and Historic Fishweirs in Normandy, France	Dr. Cyrille Billard, DRAC SRA Basse-Normandie, France
12.45	General Discussion	
1.00 -2.00pm	<i>Lunch</i>	
2.00pm	Session 2: Fishweirs in northwest Europe: Investigating their secrets	
2.00pm	Snatch and grab archaeology: some thoughts on Boarland Rocks fishweirs, survey and data recording in intertidal environments (15 min)	Conor McDermott, UCD
2.15pm	A sector scan sonar survey of a post-medieval fishweir at Nook, Waterford Harbour (15 min)	Dr Niall Brady, The Discovery Programme
2.30pm	Fishweirs: Dendrochronology, Sea-Level and Environmental Change	Nigel Nayling, University of Lampeter, Wales
2.45pm	Dendrabase: an on-line dendroarchaeological database with some case studies from fishweirs in France (15 min)	Dr Yann Couturier, CNRS, University of Rennes, France
3.00 -3.15pm	<i>Coffee</i>	
3.15pm	The potential of toolmark signatures for interpreting site chronology and work practices on Bronze Age and Medieval fishweirs (15 min)	Dr. Robert Sands, UCD School of Archaeology
3.30pm	Modern and archaeological fishweirs in the Mont Saint Michel bay (France) comparisons in the uses of wood and strategies in its supply in the past and present	Dr Vincent Bernard CNRS, University of Rennes, France
4.00-5.00pm	Session 3: General Discussion and "what do we do now?"	

