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If you wish to make a poster presentation, please indicate:

Session :

Author(s):

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10:30-11:00 **Valerie Stenson** (Arigna, Ireland):  
*The Arigna Mining Experience.*

11:00-11:30 Tea/Coffee

### METAL MINES 1

11:30-12:00 **Maite Lopez** (Rio Tinto Foundation, Spain):  
*Conservation of the Rio Tinto mines as an ecological, scientific research, educational and tourism resource.*

12:00-12.30 **Jeff Pride** (HERIAN, Heritage In Action, Wales): *People power, telling our story.*

12:30-13:00 **Dr. Jorge Pulido Valente** (Mertola, Portugal):  
*Roots in the past, a look at the future.*

13:00-14:15 Lunch

### METAL MINES 2

14:15-14:45 **Gino Baral** (Scopriminiera, Italy):  
*Conservation and adaptive re-use of an Alpine talc mine as an educational and tourism resource.*

14:45-15:15 **Ian Forbes** (Killhope, the North of England Lead Mining Museum): *New blood in old veins: recovery and adaptive regeneration of an historic lead mining site.*

15:15-15:45 **Mike Sweeney** (Copper Coast Geopark, Ireland): *Transforming 19th Century copper mining heritage into an UNESCO supported Geopark.*

15:45-16:15 **Carlos Fernandes & Pedro Leite** (ADRAL, Portugal): *Lousal - then and now, a singular mine.*

16:15-16:45 Tea/Coffee

16:45-17:30 PANEL DISCUSSION: Session 3

Close of conference and departure of delegates

**Poster presentations:** Posters will be displayed in open spaces close to the Conference hall, throughout the meeting.

**Information booths:** Spaces will be made available for bodies or organisations which wish to present corporate or organisational displays.

Conference Notice  
April 20-23 2008  
Abbey Court Hotel, Nenagh, Ireland  
[www.abbeycourt.ie](http://www.abbeycourt.ie)

## GREEN MINES

Gestión medioambiental sostenible de los espacios atlánticos degradados por la actividad minera.

*"Environmental remediation of former mining areas for tourism"*



A project funded by  
INTERREG IIBB,  
Atlantic Area



GREEN MINES is a consortium of partners from Spain, Portugal, the UK and Ireland collaborating to advance environmental remediation of abandoned mine areas and their conversion into economically sustainable heritage resources. This Conference forms part of that suite of actions and activities. It will showcase not only what has been achieved by project partners, but also the achievements of many other groups, bodies and organisations.

## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

**N.B. Conference language: English**  
[parallel Spanish translation under consideration]

**APRIL 20** Arrival, registration.  
Mining Heritage Trust of Ireland : AGM

**APRIL 21**

09:30 - 10:15 **FORMAL OPENING: Minister of State, Mr. Tony Killeen, T.D.**

10:15-11:15 Conference Keynote Presentation  
**Caroline Digby** (Eden Project, Cornwall):  
*101 things to do with a hole in the ground: perspectives from the Eden Project Cornwall, UK.*

11:15 - 11:45 Tea/Coffee

### SESSION 1 : Environmental remediation of abandoned mine sites

11:45 - 12:30 **Mike Cambridge** (Cantab Consulting UK Ltd.): *Mine site remediation: science or engineering?*

12:30 - 13:05 **Barry Balding** (Golder Associates):  
*Silvermines remediation project: an overview.*

13:05 - 14:15 Lunch

14:15 - 14:50 : **Kevin Conroy** (Golder USA):  
*Wetland usage in mine site remediation.*

14:50-15:25 **Gerry Stanley** (Geological Survey of Ireland): *Characterisation of historic mine sites in Ireland and their environmental risks.*

15:25-16:00 Tea/Coffee

### SESSION 2: Abandoned mines: a source of renewable energy?

16:00-16:35 **Aidan Doyle** (University of Newcastle, UK):  
*Geothermal energy from abandoned mines: some possibilities for Avoca, Co. Wicklow.*

16:35-17:00 **Mike Cambridge** (Cantab Consulting UK Ltd.): *Compressed air storage in abandoned mines: harnessing the power of the Severn tidal bore.*

17:00-17:15 **Ian Forbes** (Killhope, the North of England Lead Mining Museum): *Harnessing water and other renewable energy resources at the North of England Lead Mining Museum.*

17:15-18:00 PANEL DISCUSSION: Session 1 & 2

19:00 Conference dinner

### APRIL 22 FIELD EXCURSIONS

OPTION 1 : SILVERMINES region, Co.Tipperary [Medieval to recent Cu-Pb-Zn-Ag mining site; environmental remediation and conservation works in progress].

OPTION 2 : CASTLECOMER coal mining district, Co. Kilkenny [to view the new Coal Mining Heritage Centre and related developments]

OPTION 3: COPPER COAST GEOPARK, Co. Waterford [conservation and presentation of a 19th Century copper mining district as an UNESCO supported European and Global Geopark]

**APRIL 23**

### SESSION 3: Conservation and development of historic mine sites as a sustainable tourism resource

#### COAL MINES

09:30-10:00 **Peter Walker** (Big Pit, Wales):  
*From end of coal to World Heritage Site.*

10:00-10:30 **Una Paterson** (Castlecomer, Ireland):  
*The Castlecomer Discovery Park.*

## GREEN MINES CONFERENCE, 2008 REGISTRATION FORM

Please return registration forms and direct enquiries, if any, to:

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**I am interested in** (please tick relevant boxes):  
(All fees will be collected at the Conference)

- Attending the Conference.**  
A registration fee of €75/person will apply to all participants [other than speakers, field excursion leaders and Green Mines Project partners] to cover attendance at conference, lunch on April 21 and 23, coach transport for field excursions and a digital conference proceedings volume.
- Attending the conference dinner**, cost €37/person
- Attending a field excursion** [coach transport included in registration fee, but not lunch]:
- Silvermines
  - Castlecomer
  - Copper Coast Geopark
- Presenting a poster display**
- Presenting an information booth display**

**ACCOMODATION:** Rooms have been reserved at the Abbey Court Hotel, Nenagh, for Conference delegates: €79 single, €65/person sharing. Please make your own reservations direct with IMELDA CONNOLLY: phone (+353)-(0)67-42150; email: [sales@abbeycourt.ie](mailto:sales@abbeycourt.ie)

**TRAVEL:** Delegates are responsible for making their own transport arrangements to and from the Conference venue in Nenagh. Information about connections from Dublin and Shannon airports to Nenagh is provided in a "TRAVEL INFORMATION SHEET" accompanying this notice on the following websites: MHTI ([www.mhti.com](http://www.mhti.com)), GSI ([www.gsi.ie](http://www.gsi.ie)), Copper Coast Geopark ([www.coppercoastgeopark.com](http://www.coppercoastgeopark.com)), Europamines ([www.europamines.com](http://www.europamines.com))

## TRAVEL INFORMATION SHEET

**GREEN MINES CONFERENCE,  
NENAGH, IRELAND, 21st-23rd APRIL 2008**

### TRAVEL OPTIONS

Conference delegates are responsible for making their own arrangements to travel to and from the Conference venue, in Nenagh, Co. Tipperary, Ireland.

Nenagh is located in west central Ireland, between Dublin, the capital of Ireland, and the regional city of Limerick [map] to the southwest. Both these cities are readily accessible by international flights: Dublin via Dublin airport, and Limerick via Shannon airport. Regular bus services from each airport provide direct connections to the main transport hubs in each city [Rail and Bus Stations], from which Nenagh is well served by main line train services, as well as Express bus services.

### TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DUBLIN AIRPORT - DUBLIN - NENAGH

##### **Dublin airport - Nenagh : direct Express bus service**

Bus Éireann: [www.buseireann.ie/site/airport\\_services/dublin.asp](http://www.buseireann.ie/site/airport_services/dublin.asp)

JJ Kavanagh: [www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp](http://www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp)

##### **Dublin airport - Dublin**

Taxis

Connector bus services:

<http://www.dublinairport.com/to-and-from/by-bus/> .

This web link takes you direct to a variety of service providers, which operate bus links into Dublin city: to both the bus station (Busaras), for Express Bus services to Nenagh; and to Heuston Railway station, for train services to Nenagh.

##### **Dublin - Nenagh**

Express bus services:

Bus Éireann:

[www.buseireann.ie/site/your\\_journey/expressway\\_services.asp](http://www.buseireann.ie/site/your_journey/expressway_services.asp)

JJ Kavanagh : [www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp](http://www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp)

Irish Rail (Iarnród Éireann):

[www.irishrail.ie/your\\_journey/timetables.asp](http://www.irishrail.ie/your_journey/timetables.asp)

[www.ireland-information.com](http://www.ireland-information.com)



## SHANNON AIRPORT - LIMERICK - NENAGH

### Shannon airport - Nenagh : direct Express bus service

Bus Éireann : [www.buseireann.ie/site/airport\\_services/shannon.asp](http://www.buseireann.ie/site/airport_services/shannon.asp)

JJ Kavanagh : [www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp](http://www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp)

### Shannon airport - Limerick

Taxis

Connector bus services:

- [www.buseireann.ie/site/airport\\_services/shannon.asp](http://www.buseireann.ie/site/airport_services/shannon.asp)
- [www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp](http://www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp)

### Limerick - Nenagh

Express Bus Services:

Bus Éireann : [www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie)

JJ Kavanagh : [www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp](http://www.jjkavanagh.ie/routes-search.asp)

Irish Rail (Iarnród Éireann)

[www.irishrail.ie/your\\_journey/timetables.asp](http://www.irishrail.ie/your_journey/timetables.asp)

