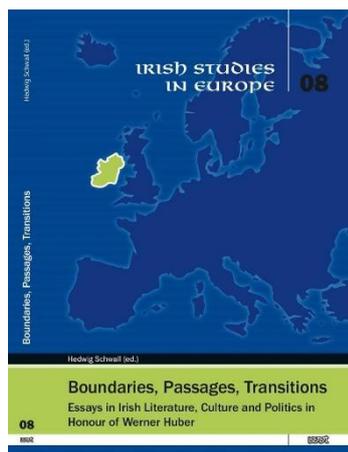




About EFACIS

The European Federation of Associations and Centres of Irish Studies (EFACIS) was founded in 1996 to promote interest in and support the expansion of Irish Studies throughout Europe. Our focus is the study and debate of all aspects of society, culture and literature of the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, and the Irish diaspora within the humanities and social sciences. EFACIS encourages as wide a range of organisations as possible to raise the profile of the subject area, to enhance the participation levels in Irish Studies and to further contacts between those involved in Irish Studies in the region.



EFACIS is dedicated to assisting those interested in Irish Studies, in all its forms and across the many disciplines that are now relevant to this area, including literature, language, theatre, history, politics, film, music, economics, psychology, education, sport and the media – and this list is by no means exhaustive. We provide a meeting point for academics and students, through our conferences, seminars, publications and website to share their work and encounter others engaged in similar research and teaching.

EFACIS is responsible for two major international peer-reviewed publications, our Irish Studies in Europe series (ISE, with 8 volumes to date) and our recently established online journal, The Review of Irish Studies in Europe (RISE) (<http://risejournal.eu/>). We have also developed major translation projects including a current initiative concerning the work of Booker Prize winning writer John Banville.

EFACIS also organises the Irish Itinerary, an Irish cultural tour of Europe. The Itinerary is a series of coordinated events hosted by many vibrant centres of Irish studies across several European countries. Each centre hosts a variety of events celebrating Irish culture, art and literature throughout Europe. The programme includes an impressive array of Irish writers, artists and performers as well as a selection of Irish films in each of the host countries. Modelled on the ancient practice of travelling from city to city on the continent used by the Irish monks of old, the Irish Itinerary embraces this idea and takes it forward into the 21st Century.

EFACIS is supported by the **Irish Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**.



At the moment, EFACIS comprises 40 centres in countries such as Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia and the Baltic States, Spain, and Sweden – with more to come! You can find us on Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram and Twitter, and of course on our own website: www.efacis.eu.

We are a large academic network with more than **400 members** worldwide!

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The Benefits of Becoming an EFACIS Member

- Members have exclusive access to EFACIS conferences and to the International PhD Seminar of the Leuven Centre for Irish Studies should they wish to participate.
- Members will get exclusive access to the **research database** for Irish Studies EFACIS will provide with its new website (launch in May 2018).
- Each member gets free pdf copies of the issues of **Irish Studies Europe (ISE)**.
- EFACIS facilitates connections with other Irish Studies scholars, from professors to PhD candidates, enabling work on joint projects.
- Members can advertise events (co-) organized by them through the EFACIS website and all other EFACIS social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn – some of which are currently under development); this will be an exclusive option from March 2018 on.
- Members can put up notifications on the EFACIS website and via our monthly newsletter (or have the EFACIS Coordinator do it for them).
- Members can take part in translation projects such as the **Yeats Project** or the **Banville Translation Project** where scholars and authors from all over the world translate works of Irish authors into their own language or provide comments on those works (translations and comments are peer-reviewed).
- EFACIS centres have the right to take part in the **Irish Itinerary**, Europe's largest tour of Irish artists travelling the continent to present their work to an interested public (for reasons of funding received from Culture Ireland this is possible for centres outside of Ireland only).
- Members affiliated to centres pay a reduced membership fee of €15 to their centre which then makes an overall transfer to the EFACIS account and supplies us with the names of the members, so that we know whom to unlock for the website etc.
- Access to the Map of Irish Studies in Europe, which provides an overview of teaching and research in Irish Studies across the continent.
- The opportunity to post information about your centre and its members on the EFACIS website and have a personalised Centre of Irish Studies page.
- A network of young researchers once you joined the EFACIS PhD seminars

EFACIS hosts international biennial conferences at various partner universities and annual PhD seminars in Leuven and Prague.



← Heaney and Huber: When poetry meets academia (Austria hosting the EFACIS Conference 2009)

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