



This **Summer School** continues a tradition established by the VECs in Kerry in the 1970's, to commemorate the memory of John Marcus O'Sullivan, Professor of History, T.D. for Kerry who was the Minister for Education 1927-1932, and the Minister who steered the Vocational Education Act, 1930, into law.

For the 2011 event, Kerry Education Service—the VEC in Kerry, is joined by Co. Dublin VEC, the IVEA (the representative body for VECs in Ireland) and by the University of Limerick, Department of Education and Professional Studies.

**Conference Cost: €95**

**Earlybird Registration**

applies to registrations received before the 18th of May. After 18th of May there is an additional supplement of €20 per person.

**Registration Forms:**

Completed Registration Forms, to be returned with payment to:  
G. Mulvihill, Kerry Education Service, Riverside House, Dan Spring Road, Tralee, Co. Kerry.

**Registration:** 7.00 pm,  
Thursday 16th June, 2011

# THE JOHN MARCUS O'SULLIVAN EDUCATION SUMMER SCHOOL 2011

Thursday 16th – Friday 17th June, 2011  
The Carlton, Hotel, Tralee, Co. Kerry

## Religion, Diversity & Publicly Managed Schools in Ireland

### Key Speaker: Professor Walter Feinberg

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in the U.S., the author of many books, including 'Common Schools Uncommon Identities' (1998). He is a past president of both the American Educational Studies Association and the Philosophy of Education Society

The growing diversity in Ireland and in Irish schools over the last decade has raised questions about the structure, management and organisation of Irish schooling. At the same time, there has been little focus on the distinctive role of publicly managed schools in relation to notions of citizenship and belonging. This Summer School aims to address these issues by providing an opportunity for debate, discussion and learning on the distinctive contribution of publicly managed schools within an ever more diverse Ireland.



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**RELIGION, DIVERSITY & PUBLICLY MANAGED  
 SCHOOLS IN IRELAND  
 PROGRAMME**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	
7.00 pm	<b>Registration</b>
	<b>Welcome Address:</b>
	<b>Keynote Address:</b> Professor Walter Feinberg
8.00 pm	<b>Dinner &amp; Entertainment</b>
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	
9.00 am	<b>Registration</b>
9.30 – 10.00 am	<b>Plenary Session</b> <b>Religious Diversity &amp; Publicly Managed Schooling –</b> <b>Policy to inform Practice</b> Dr. Roland Tormey
10.00 – 11.00 am	<b>Governance Workshop</b> <b>The Characteristic Spirit of Publicly Managed Schools</b> <b>(Fish Bowl Approach)</b> Prof. Walter Feinberg. Chair: Dr. Barney O'Reilly
10.00 – 11.00 am	<b>Practice Workshop</b> <b>The issues and challenges facing teachers</b> <b>Addressing these issues</b>
11.00 – 11.30	<b>Break</b>
11.30 – 12.30	<b>Governance Workshop</b> <b>School Planning for Religious Inclusivity</b>
11.30 – 12.30	<b>Practice Workshop</b> <b>Teaching and Learning Methodologies for Inclusion</b>
12.30 – 2.00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
2.00 – 3.00 pm	<b>Closing Event:</b> Minister for Education & Skills, Ruairí Quinn, T.D.
	<b>Concluding Remarks:</b>