



An Roinn Oideachais  
Department of Education

Dear SICI members and colleagues,

On behalf of the Standing International Conference of Inspectorates (SICI) and Inspectorate, Department of Education, we would like to invite you to the 27th SICI General Assembly in Ireland on **17 and 18 November 2022**.

The venue for the assembly will be the **Dunboyne Castle Hotel & Spa, Dunboyne, Co. Meath**. The hotel is located 22 km from Dublin International Airport.

Those attending the General Assembly are also invited to participate in school visits (morning) and a cultural site visit (afternoon) on **16 November 2022**.

The SICI Executive Committee and the Irish Inspectorate have prepared a stimulating and diverse programme. The conference will wrap up the 2022 theme on “Contribution of Inspection to Equity and Excellence” and launch the 2023 theme “The relationship between inspection and research”.

Please find enclosed the draft programme and details of recommended arrangements. The final programme will issue shortly before the conference.

Again, there will be opportunity for group discussion during the General Assembly and this, together with the national coordinators’ annual meeting, will facilitate the sharing of good practice and promote further cooperation among SICI members. Additionally, participants can network at the conference dinner hosted by the Irish Inspectorate on the evening of 17 November.

If you wish to attend the event, please complete the online registration form as early as possible. The deadline for registration is no later than Tuesday 1 November:

**Registration link is:** <https://dessurveys.education.gov.ie/surveys/SICI-Registration>

Once you have registered, it is **important not to forget to make a reservation at the hotel**. Due to the high cost of hotel accommodation in Dublin at this time of the year, we have negotiated a very good conference rate in **Dunboyne Castle Hotel for 16 and 17 November and a limited number of rooms at the conference rate for the night of 15<sup>th</sup>. Please book by 17 October at the latest to avail of the conference rate.**

If you have any queries concerning the programme, they should be directed to: [Elizabeth.Sheridan@education.gov.ie](mailto:Elizabeth.Sheridan@education.gov.ie) or to the SICI Secretariat.

We look forward to warmly welcoming you to Ireland.

Kind regards

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