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**The National Trails Office / Irish Sports Council**  
invites you to attend the launch  
of a new publication

## **A Guide to Planning & Developing Recreational Trails in Ireland**

on 28th February 2012

in the Hilton Hotel, Inchicore Road, Kilmainham, Dublin 8.



The guide will be launched by **Minister Michael Ring TD**,  
Minister of State at the Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport  
and **John Treacy**, CEO - Irish Sports Council

The event will also incorporate an information update from the National Trails Office  
and a seminar with guest speakers from Ireland and the UK on the topic  
**Trail Management Best Practice**

Proceedings will commence at 10.30 and conclude at 16.00 approx.

A full programme is detailed over leaf

**RSVP to [JByrne@irishsportscouncil.ie](mailto:JByrne@irishsportscouncil.ie) by 24th February 2012**

# Programme of Events

- 10.30** Registration – Tea/ Coffee
- 11.00** Welcome and Introduction
- 11.10** Overview of new Trail Planning and Development Guide
- 11.30** Update on National Trails Register
- 11.40** Introduction to National Trails Office Education and Training Programme
- 12.00** Launch of Guide to Planning & Developing Recreational Trails in Ireland –  
Minister Michael Ring and John Treacy
- 12.30** Lunch – Networking opportunity
- 14.00** Trail Management Best Practice
- Introduction
  - Presentations by guest speakers from Ireland and the UK
- Panel discussion/ questions and answers session
- 16.00** Close of proceedings

**The Guide to Planning & Developing Recreational Trails in Ireland** is a comprehensive new publication from the National Trails Office which provides guidance and advice to any individual, group or organisation interested in or involved in planning a recreational trail in Ireland. It sets out the key points all developers need to be aware of and consider before, during and after trail development. It also provides a development pathway for developers to follow on a project.

The publication has been endorsed by all the key stakeholders involved and impacted by the development of trails in Ireland.

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