

**A Workshop on Effective Civil
Society Engagement with the Public
Sector Equality & Human Rights Duty.**

ENGAGE FOR CHANGE

Date: Monday May 21st

Time: 10am to 1pm (lunch will be provided)

**Venue: Galway City Partnership,
3 The Plaza Offices,
Headford Road, Galway**

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Hosted by the Equality & Rights Alliance, in association with Galway City Community Network, Galway City Partnership and the Galway City Local Community Development Committee, the workshop will support local civil society organisations to pursue a collective engagement with public bodies to ensure the effective implementation of the public sector equality and human rights duty, using a values-based approach.

The core values that underpin and connect equality and human rights enable:

- a shared basis from which to engage collectively in achieving the potential of the public sector duty, thereby strengthening civil society voice at local level in ensuring this potential is realised, and
- an effective and appropriate approach for public bodies to implement the public sector equality and human rights duty.

The workshop will explore:

- the implementation of the public sector equality and human rights duty through a values lens,

- values-based tools for:

- o implementing the public sector duty,
- o collective engagement with public sector organisations on the public sector duty,
- o assessing and bringing forward the key equality and human rights concerns that need to be addressed through the public sector duty.

About the Facilitators:

Rachel Mullen was Coordinator of the Equality & Rights Alliance (ERA) for over six years and drafted the first guidance on the public sector equality and human rights duty, on behalf of the ERA. She has over twenty years experience working to address equality & human rights concerns including working with the Irish Equality Authority. She is co-founder of Values Lab, an initiative supporting social and organisational change through the lens of values.

Niall Crowley is an independent expert in equality and diversity issues. His work mainly involves supporting equality and human rights bodies across Europe and at national level, to with NGOs and statutory bodies on equality and diversity issues. Niall is the former CEO of the Irish Equality Authority, where he led the Authority for ten years from its establishment in 1999. Niall is co-founder of Values Lab.