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Irish Studies Guest Lecture Series 2021

Prof. Louis de Paor (National University of Ireland, Galway)

'Poems of Repossession: Twentieth-Century Poetry in Irish'

Thursday, 2 December 2021, 19.00-20.00 (Rijeka/Ljubljana time zone)

This online lecture will take place on Zoom

Register in advance for this lecture: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYudO-oqT8iGd1j6f_AcPcUNHWNMB26y40P

The lecture will explore the cultural politics of twentieth-century poetry in Irish, introducing some of the most accomplished poets in the language from Pádraig Mac Piarais who insisted on the European dimension of the language and its literary tradition to Belfast poet Gearóid Mac Lochlainn whose work negotiates between Irish and English as a way of healing the divisions of a fractured culture.

Louis de Paor is Professor of Irish Studies at the National University of Ireland, Galway. His publications include *Faoin mBlaoisc Bheag Sin* (1991), a study of narrative technique in the short fiction of Máirtín Ó Cadhain, critical editions of the work of Michael Davitt, Liam S Gógan, Máire Mhac an tSaoi and Máirtín Ó Cadhain, and a bilingual selection of twentieth-century poetry in Irish, *Leabhar na hAthghabhála/Poems of Repossession* which was among *The Irish Times* Books of the Year and a Poetry Book Society Recommended Translation in 2016. He was Visiting Professor at Sydney University (1993-4), Fulbright Irish Language Scholar at New York University (2013) and the University of California, Berkeley (2014), and Burns Scholar at Boston College (2016). His monograph on the work of Brian Ó Nualláin (Flann O'Brien/Myles na gCopaleen), *Brian Ó Nualláin: Scríbhneoir Gaeilge Béarla*, will be published in 2023.

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