



Society of Actuaries in Ireland

The World of Investments An Alternative View

**4.00-6.00pm, Thursday 12th November 2015
Chartered Accountants House**

Who should attend: This is open both to those who work in financial markets and others who are impacted by these markets (i.e. all members). The event is also open to interested non-members.

Agenda

- 3.30pm** **Registration + tea/coffee**
- 4.00pm** **Introduction** Shane O'Farrell, Chair of the SAI Finance & Investment Committee
- 4.05pm** **Retirement Income: How Irish people are managing their wealth in retirement.** Adam Cleland, Davys
- The presentation will cover Irish investors in general versus other countries & best practice, how investment behaviour may change post-retirement and some general commentary on the latest trend towards managing wealth in retirement.
- 4.35pm** **Investing in Commodity Beta: An overview of the structure of the investment vehicle and investable indices.** Darragh O'Dowd, ILIM
- In this session, Darragh will explain why swap agreements on Commodity futures underlie the structure of most commodity investment vehicles. He will also provide an overview of the investable commodity indices in the market place.
- 5.00pm** **Alternatives to the Political middle ground & implications for Ireland.** Professor David Farrell, UCD
- In advance of our own upcoming election, this presentation will cover some of the recent political events in Europe (e.g. the recent elections in Greece, Spain & UK), the likelihood of political and policy change in Ireland and the potential implications from a social/economic point of view with consideration on pensions and other benefits policy matters.
- 6.00pm** **Close**

Bios:

Adam Cleland Adam is Head of Wealth Advice at Davy. He previously worked as a Manager with PWC in their Tax and Audit and Business Advisory Departments and before that as a Financial Analyst at Goldman Sachs in London. He is a CFA Charterholder and a member of the CFA Institute and the Society of Investment Analysts in Ireland, a Chartered Accountant (ACA) and a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland, a Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) and a member of the Institute of Taxation Ireland and a Qualified Financial Adviser (QFA) and a member of the Institute of Bankers in Ireland.

Darragh O'Dowd is a Senior Quantitative Analyst within Irish Life Investment Manager's Quantitative Strategies Group having joined in 2007. He is a CFA and CAIA charter-holder and graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce (BComm) from UCD in 2000, a Masters in Quantitative Finance from UCD Michael Smurfit Graduate Business School in 2002 and a Masters in Statistics (MSc) from UCD in 2013. Darragh also lectures Quantitative Methods to MSc Finance students in UCD Michael Smurfit Graduate Business School.

Professor David Farrell is a member of the Royal Irish Academy. He is a specialist in the study of parties, elections, electoral systems and members of parliament. His current research focuses on the role of deliberation in constitutional reform processes. In 2012 he was elected as President of the Political Studies Association of Ireland. In 2013 he was elected as Speaker of the Council of the European Consortium for Political Research. Professor Farrell is founding co-editor of Party Politics. Prior to his move to Dublin, Professor Farrell was professor and head of Social Sciences at the University of Manchester.