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MIDSUMMER GALA DINNER

Friday, June 26, 2026

The Mansion House, Dublin, Ireland



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You Are Cordially Invited To Attend the Council's

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Cocktails: 6:30pm • Dinner: 7:30pm • Black Tie

PACKAGE OPTIONS

Individual Seats: Council Members:	€225
Individual Seats: Guests/Non-Members:	€300
Full Page ad in Dinner Program:	€750
Two Premium Seats plus Full Page Ad in Dinner Program:	€1,500
Shamrock Package:	€5,000
<i>Choice table of 10, plus full page ad in dinner program.</i>	
Harp Benefactor Package:	€7,500
<i>Premier table of 10, full page ad in program, logo on screen during dinner, logo on all signage and other materials, logo on Council website with other Patron Sponsors, President's recognition from podium.</i>	



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Award for Excellence in International Business

Presented to Maurice Regan
J.T. Magen, Founder and CEO



The Ireland-U.S. Council is pleased to present its Award for Excellence in International Business to **Maurice Regan**.

Maurice Regan founded J.T. Magen & Company Inc. in 1992 as a private General Contracting and Construction Management company. His leadership has resulted in significant growth throughout key markets across the USA. Celebrating over 30 years in business he has

shaped JTM into a firm whose staff of architects, engineers, chartered quantity surveyors and construction professionals serve all types of clients across multiple industries. In the late 1990's JTM was awarded one of the largest financial services infrastructure projects in the U.S., this was a transformational event for the company and critical step in advancing JTM beyond its commercial interiors boundaries. As Founder and President, Maurice is focused on the company's strategic growth, financial strength, and overall direction. He is committed to exceptional corporate governance practices which are fundamental to the long-term success and prosperity of J.T. Magen. Maurice is also an active member of the community, involved in charities and serves on the board for various non-profit organizations.

Award for Excellence in Construction & Infrastructure

Presented to James Coffey

J Coffey Construction, Group Chairman



The Ireland-U.S. Council is pleased to present its Award for Excellence in Construction and Infrastructure to **James Coffey**.

Jim Coffey arrived in London from County Westmeath in the late 1980s and built one of the UK's most respected specialist construction groups from the ground up. Founded in 1991, J Coffey Construction has grown from a £1.3 million turnover operation

to a £200 million enterprise, earning its place as a Tier 1 subcontractor to many of Britain's leading main contractors. The group's seven divisions — spanning substructure, structural alterations, rail, infrastructure, European data centres and fire protection — reflect an appetite for expansion and innovation. A proud holder of the RoSPA safety award for thirteen consecutive years, and committed to a net-zero emissions pathway, James Coffey's success demonstrates that Irish enterprise, determination and integrity can build something enduring far from home.

Award for Excellence in Agri-Food Innovation

Presented to Michael Hoey
Country Crest, Managing Director



The Ireland-U.S. Council is pleased to present its Award for Excellence in Agri-Food Innovation to **Michael Hoey**.

The Hoey family has farmed the land of Lusk in North County Dublin since the 1850s, and Michael Hoey has honoured that heritage by building Country Crest into one of Ireland's most innovative agri-food businesses.

Established with his brother Gabriel in 1993, the company began by growing and packing fresh potatoes, but Michael's instinct for anticipating consumer trends has driven remarkable diversification. As potato consumption declined, Country Crest expanded into onions; as Irish eating habits shifted towards convenience, the brothers founded Ballymaguire Foods in 2008 to produce chilled prepared meals and vegetable accompaniments. Today Country Crest farms over 3,000 acres, employs more than 400 people, and supplies leading Irish retailers under a contract with Tesco worth nearly €100 million — a testament to four generations of enterprise and ambition.

Award for Excellence in Enterprise Management

Presented to Niall O'Leary

Regeneron - Raheen, Senior Vice President



The Ireland-U.S. Council Award for Excellence in Enterprise Management is presented to **Niall O'Leary** of Regeneron in 2012. He joined the company in 2012 and serves as the company's Senior Vice President and site head of IOPS Raheen. He has held leadership positions in quality, regulatory affairs, program management and manufacturing across biological, small-molecule and medical device platforms.

Prior to joining Regeneron, Mr. O'Leary worked as an independent consultant and at Pulmatrix, Alkermes, Organogenesis and Merck Serono. Mr. O'Leary received his BS in biotechnology from *Dublin City University*, Ireland and his MBA from the Williams College of Business at *Xavier University* in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Regeneron has annual revenues of over \$14 billion and is a leading biotechnology company that invents, develops and commercializes life-transforming medicines for people with serious diseases. Founded and led by physician-scientists, our unique ability to repeatedly and consistently translate science into medicine has led to numerous approved treatments and product candidates in development, almost all of which were homegrown in our laboratories. Regeneron's medicines and pipeline are designed to help patients with eye diseases, allergic and inflammatory diseases, cancer, cardiovascular and metabolic diseases, neurological diseases, hematologic conditions, infectious diseases and rare diseases.

Upcoming Council Events

Friday, September 11, 2026
Council Golf Day in Ireland
Dún Laoghaire Golf Club,
Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow, Ireland

Thursday, November 12, 2026
63rd Annual Dinner of the Council
The Metropolitan Club, New York City

Tuesday, March 16, 2027
Saint Patrick's Lunch in New York
The Metropolitan Club, New York City



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