

Take a look

EUFRAS

EUROPEAN FORUM FOR AGRICULTURAL
AND RURAL ADVISORY SERVICES

GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 2025



19 - 20 FEBRUARY, 2025

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8:00 - 18:00 meeting
20:00 Social dinner

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8:00 - 15:00 Field trips
(possibility to end at Dublin
airport ~ 15:45)



THE DEAN HOTEL, GALWAY

The discount code "ACA" for booking a stay is valid till January **30**, 2025.



REGISTER FOR THE EVENT

Registration is open by **February 13**, 2025



DUBLIN AIRPORT

approximately 210 km from Galway

SHANNON AIRPORT

approximately 85 km from Galway

KNOCK AIRPORT

approximately 90 km from Galway



- by Train
- by Coach
- by Car rental

- by Train
- by Coach

- by Train
- by Coach



80 Prospect
Hill, Centre,
Galway, H91
T9C4, Ireland





Your way

Dublin airport to The Dean Hotel

- by Train
 - Route: From Dublin Airport, take the Airlink Express Bus 747 or a taxi to Heuston Station in Dublin (approximately 30-45 minutes).
 - Train: Board a direct Irish Rail train from Heuston Station to Galway Ceannt Station (around 2.5 to 3 hours).
 - From Galway Ceannt Station: The Dean Hotel is a short 5-minute taxi ride or a 15-minute walk from the station.
 - Cost: Approx. €20-€35 (train fare) + bus/taxi fare.
 - Useful Links:
 - Irish Rail: www.irishrail.ie
 - Airlink Express: www.dublinbus.ie

- by Coach
 - Route: From Dublin Airport, take a direct coach service to Galway.
 - Coaches:
 - Citylink and GoBus offer frequent services from Dublin Airport directly to Galway Coach Station (around 2.5 to 3 hours).
 - From Galway Coach Station: The Dean Hotel is a short 5-minute taxi ride or a 15-minute walk from the station.
 - Cost: Approx. €20-€30 for a one-way ticket.
 - Useful Links:
 - Citylink: www.citylink.ie
 - GoBus: www.gobus.ie

- by Car rental
 - Route: Rent a car at Dublin Airport and drive to Galway via the M6 motorway (approx. 2.5 to 3 hours, 210 km).
 - Car Rental: Multiple companies, including Hertz, Avis, and Budget, offer rentals at the airport. Book in advance for the best rates.
 - Parking: The Dean Hotel offers parking facilities, so you can conveniently park upon arrival.
 - Useful Links:
 - Dublin Airport Car Rentals: www.dublinairport.com

Shanon airport to The Dean Hotel

- by Train
 - Route: There are no direct trains from Shannon Airport to Galway. However, you can take a bus or taxi from Shannon Airport to Limerick Colbert Station (approx. 30 minutes).
 - Train: From Limerick Colbert Station, take an Irish Rail train to Galway Ceannt Station (approx. 1.5 to 2 hours).
 - From Galway Ceannt Station: The Dean Hotel is a 5-minute taxi ride or a 15-minute walk from the station.
 - Cost: Approx. €15-€25 (train + bus fare).
 - Useful Links:
 - Irish Rail: www.irishrail.ie

- by Coach
 - Direct Bus Services:
 - Bus Éireann operates direct services from Shannon Airport to Galway Coach Station. The journey takes approximately 1 hour 45 minutes.
 - From Galway Coach Station, The Dean Hotel is a short 5-minute taxi ride or a 15-minute walk.
 - Cost: Approx. €10-€20.
 - Useful Links:
 - Bus Éireann: www.buseireann.ie



Ireland west (knock) airport to The Dean Hotel

- by Train
 - Route: There are no direct trains from Ireland West Airport (Knock) to Galway. However, you can take a bus or taxi from the airport to Claremorris Train Station (approximately 30 minutes).
 - Train: From Claremorris Station, take an Irish Rail train to Galway Ceannt Station (approx. 1 hour).
 - From Galway Ceannt Station: The Dean Hotel is a short 5-minute taxi ride or a 15-minute walk.
 - Cost: Approx. €15-€25 (train + bus fare).
 - Pros: Scenic train ride, though it requires a bus/taxi transfer.
 - Useful Links:
 - [Irish Rail: www.irishrail.ie](http://www.irishrail.ie)
- by Coach
 - Direct Bus Services:
 - Bus Éireann operates services from Ireland West Airport (Knock) to Galway Coach Station. The journey takes approximately 2 hours.
 - From Galway Coach Station, The Dean Hotel is a short 5-minute taxi ride or a 15-minute walk.
 - Cost: Approx. €15-€20.
 - Useful Links:
 - [Bus Éireann: www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie)

Your stay

The Dean Hotel

80 Prospect Hill, Centre, Galway,
H91 T9C4, Ireland



Room Details:

The Super Room have been reserved for both nights of the event.

Rate: €165 per room, per night. This rate includes:

- Cooked-to-order breakfast
- Free high-speed WiFi
- Complimentary water
- Access to the gym and thermal suite
- VAT at 13.5% (subject to change if the VAT rate changes)

Booking Instructions:

ACA Discount Code:

Use the "ACA" discount code to receive a special rate. This code can be applied either:

- Online: Through The Dean Hotel's website. www.thedean.ie/galway
- Via Email: Send your booking request to galwayres@thedean.ie
- The ACA discount code will expire on **30th January 2025**

Payment:

- After booking, please call (01) 6931033 to provide your credit card details and pay a non-refundable deposit of €100. This deposit is required to confirm your reservation.

Cancellations and Amendments:

You may cancel or amend your booking free of charge up to **14 days** prior to arrival. Please note that the **€100 deposit** remains non-refundable for all guests using the discount code.

Booking Deadline:

The ACA discount code will expire on **30th January 2025**, so please ensure you make your reservation before this date to secure the discounted rate. If you miss this deadline, please contact me so I can assist in speaking with the hotel to secure the best rate for you.

Additional Request:

Once you have made your reservation, we kindly ask that you notify Ilze Lavrenova via email at ilze.lavrenova@llkc.lv so that we can begin compiling our registration list.

Bank Details for Payment:

Should you need the hotel's bank details for payment purposes, they are as follows:

- Bank Name: Bank of Ireland
- Bank Address: 2 College Green, Dublin 2
- Account Name: Advanced Vision Ltd
- Sort Code: 900017
- Account No.: 40131910
- BIC/Swift Code: BOFIE2D
- IBAN: IE70 BOFI 9000 1740 1319 10
- VAT Reg. No.: IE 3492399 OH

We encourage you to book your accommodation early, as availability is limited and the code will expire on **17th January 2024**.

Sketch of the program of the Annual General Assembly

Tuesday, **18th** February

Arrival to The Dean hotel, 80 Prospect Hill, Centre, Galway, H91 T9C4, Ireland and **check-in**

Wednesday, **19th** February 09:00 - 18:00

The Dean hotel, 80 Prospect Hill, Centre, Galway, H91 T9C4, Ireland

08:00 - 09:00 Registration and Coffee

09:00 - 09:30 Opening - welcome speech
Rui Almeida (*EUFRAS Chairman of the Board*)
Michael Ryan (*ACA President*)
Breian Carroll (*ACA*)

09:30 - 11:00 EUFRAS Statutory meeting
Key activities 2024
Budget overview 2024 and estimation for 2025
Conclusion from the Audit report
Voting on changes of the EUFRAS Statutes and Regulations
Activity plan 2025
Open floor: Presentations made by EUFRAS new members
Reflections, discussions, Q&A

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 - 12:30 EUFRAS position paper on CAP 2027
EUFRAS Strategic dialog report
EUFRAS involvement in HORIZON program project calls
EUFRAS broaden outreach beyond management levels and engage directly
with agricultural advisors

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch break / Poster session

14:00 - 17:00 Workshops

<u>Room 1</u>	<u>Room 2</u>
1. ModernAKIS	YoungEUFRAS
2. ATTRACTIS	

17:00 - 17:30 Coffee break

17:30 - 18:00 IALB / EUFRAS / SEASN Conference - Advisory day 2025, Brussels
Concluding remarks and closing of the Assembly

18:00 - 20:00 Free time

20:00 Social dinner for all participants

Thursday, **20th** February 08:00 - 15:45 (nearby Dublin airport)

08:00 - 15:00 Field trips
1. Young advisor tour
2. Field trip organized by ACA



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