

## **IRMS To Focus on Trust, Truth and Transparency in the Private and Public Sector at 2019 Conference**

*Keynote Speakers Announced for 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May, The Celtic Manor Resort, Wales*

The Information and Records Management Society ([IRMS](#)) today announced that representatives from Gartner, the National Archives, University of Bath and the Welsh Government will present keynotes at the [IRMS Conference](#) 2019 which takes place on 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May at the Celtic Manor Resort in Wales. One year on from GDPR coming into force, the conference will focus on trust, truth and transparency.

Chair of the IRMS, Scott Sammons, comments on the theme for the conference: “Good information and records management plays a key role in promoting trust in an organisation. At the conference we will examine how we as an industry approach, build and maintain trust. Does it mean following the letter of the law, or going further and applying the right principles and ethics?”

Focusing on these themes and completing the keynote line-up are the two authors of ‘Ethical Data and Information Management: Concepts, Tools, and Methods’ that was published last year. They will be joined at the conference by more than 50 speakers from the private and public sector including the Information Commissioners Office, the National Trust, dunnhumby, UK Parliament and University College London.

The IRMS Conference 2019 keynote speakers are:

- **Mike Woodbridge, Research Director within Gartner's Digital Workplace, Content & Insights group** – Mike has extensive knowledge of enterprise content management (ECM), enterprise file sync and share (EFSS) and collaboration technologies, and was part of the team at Gartner that developed the concept of Content Services.
- **Malcolm Todd, Head of Policy at The National Archives, Kew** – Responsible for policy in the public records system and English archives sector, the management of Crown copyright, the re-use of public sector information and the arrangements for the publication of legislation.
- **Adam Joinson, Professor of Information Systems, University of Bath** - Leads the ‘Applied Digital Behaviour Lab’, a group of researchers looking at the interactions between technology, behaviour, organisations and society.
- **Marlize Palmer OBE, Welsh Government’s Departmental Records Officer and Chief Librarian**  
- With over 30 years' experience in the management of library, information and records

management services and projects in the private and public sectors, Marlice is also Head of the Knowledge and Information Management profession in the Welsh Government.

- **Daragh O Brien, Founder and Managing Director of Castlebridge** - Served as the Data Protection Officer to the Presidential campaign of Michael D. Higgins, the current President of Ireland. He is the co-author of 'Ethical Data and Information Management: Concepts, Tools, and Methods'.
- **Dr. Katherine O'Keefe, co-author of 'Ethical Data and Information Management: Concepts, Tools, and Methods'** - A leading expert in Data Privacy and Information Ethics, Katherine lectures on Information Ethics at the Law Society of Ireland and is a contributor to Information Ethics Research at the Adapt Centre at Trinity College Dublin.

**Registration is open now for the IRMS Conference 2019 and takes place on 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May at the Celtic Manor Resort. For more information and to register visit: [www.irmsconference.org.uk](http://www.irmsconference.org.uk)**

Press passes for the IRMS Conference are available. To request a complimentary pass please contact Graham Thatcher on Tel: 07933 673 240 or Email: [graham.thatcher@prbychief.com](mailto:graham.thatcher@prbychief.com)

#### **About IRMS**

The Information and Records Management Society (IRMS) is the foremost association for information professionals and students, supporting and bringing together all those working in information governance, records management, data protection, information security and more, across all industry sectors, in the UK and beyond.

As well as an annual Conference attracting around 400 delegates, the IRMS offers professional accreditation available to all, produces a high-quality bimonthly industry magazine, and operates a network of geographic and special interest groups across the UK. Visit [www.irms.org.uk/join](http://www.irms.org.uk/join) to find out more.

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