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## Press Release

### **Irish Landscape Institute notes Government's publication of a National Landscape Strategy for Ireland today**

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The President of the Irish Landscape Institute (ILI), Maryann Harris, noted the publication of the document today by Government in the development of a National Landscape Strategy for Ireland. She stated:

'The ILI hopes that the document will be an important step forward for Ireland in honouring our commitment as a signatory to the European Landscape Convention (ELC) since 2002. We expect that the Strategy should ensure that a valuable national resource is understood more fully, managed for maximum benefits to the Irish people and protected for future sustainability. This public consultation period will provide an opportunity for all sectors, be they economic or environmental interests, to become involved in shaping the future landscape of Ireland. The ILI will issue a response as part of this consultation process.

The Irish Landscape Institute, as the professionally accredited body under the European Federation for Landscape Architecture (EFLA), has been working for several years toward this Strategy and recently with the Irish government on the National Landscape Strategy Steering Group.'

The ILI is the professional body representing landscape architects in Ireland and is a registered member of EFLA and the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA). Its aims include the setting of standards in the fields of landscape planning, landscape architecture and landscape management. It is directly involved with the university degree programme in landscape architecture for the island of Ireland.

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