

# ICMA Global Exchange 2026 Draft Schedule

Last Updated November 11, 2025 (Subject to Change)

Date	Event	Cost
Saturday March 21, 2026	Participants depart for Ireland	
Sunday March 22, 2026	Arrival of participants and evening welcome reception hosted by the Dublin Lord Mayor's office in the Oak Room of the Mansion House.	
Monday March 23, 2026  <b>Dublin</b>	<p><b>9:30am-1:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visit Dublin City Council Offices for presentations by city staff and the Lord Mayor</li> <li>• Themes include Climate Action; Regeneration; Active Travel; Smart Cities/Tourism; Night - Economy Safety Initiative (Nee Naw)</li> </ul> <p><b>1:00pm-2:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch and networking at Dublin City Council offices</li> </ul> <p><b>2:00pm-3:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site visits to locations highlighted in morning presentations</li> </ul> <p><b>Evening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dinner on own and free time</li> </ul>	All activities and lunch included in registration fee
Tuesday March 24, 2026  <b>Limerick</b>	<p><b>8:00am-10:30am</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel by coach bus to Foynes Limerick via Adare</li> </ul> <p><b>10:30am-12:30pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentations by Limerick staff on preparations for the 2027 Ryder Cup, the Shannon Estuary Taskforce &amp; Wind Energy, and other rural development models</li> </ul> <p><b>12:30pm-1:30pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch and networking with Limerick staff</li> </ul> <p><b>1:30pm-2:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel to Limerick City</li> </ul> <p><b>2:00pm-4:30pm</b></p>	All transportation, activities and lunch included in registration fee

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by the Mayor of Limerick and the Director General with Q&amp;A</li> <li>• Participants choose one of the following activities:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tour King John’s Castle and discuss King’s Islands development plan</li> <li>○ Tour One Opera Square and discuss its economic development model</li> <li>○ Participate in an internal roundtable discussion on social development</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>4:30pm-7:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel back to Dublin via coach bus</li> </ul> <p><b>Evening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dinner on own and free time</li> </ul>	
<p>Wednesday March 25, 2026</p> <p><b>Midlands Region</b></p>	<p><b>8:00am-10:00am</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel by coach bus to Ballymahon, County Longford</li> </ul> <p><b>10:15am-12:30pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentations by the Minister for Tourism, key staff, local tourism operators, and Failte Ireland (Meet in Ireland CVB) on the theme of “From Fossil Fuels to Tourism, Communities Adapting to Climate Change in Ireland’s Hidden Heartlands”</li> </ul> <p><b>12:30pm-1:30pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch and networking</li> </ul> <p><b>1:30pm-4:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site visits to locations highlighted in the presentations from the morning session</li> </ul> <p><b>4:00pm-6:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Return to Dublin by coach bus</li> </ul> <p><b>Evening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dinner on own and free time</li> </ul>	<p>All transportation, activities and lunch included in registration fee</p>
<p>Thursday March 25, 2026</p>	<p><b>9:30am-10:00am</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel from Dublin City Centre to Croke Park via coach bus</li> </ul> <p><b>10:00am-11:00am</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tour of Croke Park</li> </ul> <p><b>11:00am-1:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global Engagement Committee meeting and networking (open to all)</li> </ul> <p><b>1:00pm-2:00pm</b></p>	<p>All transportation, activities, lunch and dinner included in registration fee</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lunch and networking with CCMA members</li> </ul> <p><b>2:15pm-4:30pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentations on key issues in local government from a national perspective</li> </ul> <p><b>4:30pm-5:30pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-Dinner Reception</li> </ul> <p><b>5:30pm-7:30pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dinner in Croke Park</li> </ul> <p><b>7:30pm-8:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Return to Dublin City Centre via coach bus</li> </ul>	
<b>Official End of Global Exchange Program</b>		
<p>Friday March 27, 2026</p> <p><b>Newry and Mourne, Northern Ireland</b></p>	<p><b>Optional add-on for Exchange Participants:</b> Travel to Northern Ireland: Solace Northern Ireland will host the delegation. Specific topics still to be determined</p> <p><b>8:00am-9:30am</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travel by coach bus from Dublin to Newry and Mourne</li> </ul> <p><b>9:30am-10:00am</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arrive at Killeavy Castle; welcome refreshments</li> </ul> <p><b>10:00am-11:30am</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation and open discussion on local government in Northern Ireland</li> </ul> <p><b>11:30am-1:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visit to Cross Border Greenway and Narrow Water Bridge Site (TBC)</li> </ul> <p><b>1:00pm-2:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lunch in Killeavy Castle</li> </ul> <p><b>2:00pm-4:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Site visits to local government projects</li> </ul> <p><b>4:00pm-6:00pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Travel back to Dublin via coach bus</li> </ul>	<p>All transportation, activities and lunch included in additional registration fee</p>
<b>Optional Northern Ireland Program Ends</b>		