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ASIAN GAELIC GAMES 2016



FEXCO ASIAN GAELIC GAMES (AGG) SHANGHAI 2016

The AGG took place in Shanghai this November and saw 600 participants from over 10 countries competing in men's and women's Gaelic football, hurling, and camogie over the weekend, including teams from Shanghai, Suzhou and Jiangxi.

The AGG has a long history of diversity and this year two local Chinese University teams participated, and 20% of the participants were local players from all across Asia. Once again this year the all-Chinese youth children's team from Shanghai also participated in a children's GAA showcase. Thank you to the AGG organising committee of Shanghai GAA who put in a huge amount of work to deliver a fantastic two day event with over 80 fixtures, children's activities, food & drink, live music and so much more!





CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all of the teams who took part this year, not least to the teams based here in Shanghai. The highlight of course for Shanghai was the Shanghai A men's team winning the Derek Brady Cup for the very first time in their history, captained by Jack Meng.

Our local teams had plenty of other opportunities to shine: Shenzhen beat Beijing in an all China Men's plate final, while the Shanghai B team won the Ladies Junior Plate. Shanghai Dragons were finalists in the Men's Junior Cup and Suzhou also reached the final for the Men's Junior Plate.



LIVE LIFE LISA ORSI FOUNDATION

The 2016 AGG's also hosted several teams from the [Live Life Lisa Orsi Foundation](#) who travelled to Asia from Derry, Northern Ireland. The foundation helps to promote organ donation and living life to the fullest.

Special recognition is also due to the Singapore A ladies team who won the 2016 Lisa Orsi Cup in the presence of Lisa's family members.



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ASIA PACIFIC IRELAND BUSINESS FORUM

The Asia Pacific Ireland Business Forum (APIBF) was held in Shanghai once again this November. It coincides with the Asian Gaelic Games, bringing together Irish business people, people doing business with Ireland and friends of Ireland in the dynamic Asia-Pacific & Gulf Regions, including through a networking reception organised by the Irish Chamber in Shanghai. Since its inception, annual events have taken place in Hong Kong, Shanghai, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Bangkok. The APIBF focusses on building connections and facilitating trade and learning between Chambers of Commerce, GAA Clubs, individuals and business groups based in the Asia-Pacific & Gulf Regions.

PURSUING NEW OPPORTUNITIES: IRISH BUSINESS IN ASIA

The 2016 Forum had a specific focus on Irish business opportunities in Asia, the possible implications for Ireland of Brexit and the impending negotiations between the UK and the EU, as well as the resulting need for Ireland to trade up and deepen political, economic and other relationships with key markets such as China/Asia. Speakers included economic, media and political experts from across the region as well as representatives from the corporate and sporting world who shared their insights on doing business in the unique Asia Pacific business environment.

[SEE THE FULL APIBF 2016 PROGRAMME >>](#)



IRISH MINISTERS VISIT SHANGHAI



MINISTER MICHAEL CREED

Recognising the importance of China for Ireland, Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine Michael Creed T.D. made China the first place to which he led a trade mission since taking office. China offers enormous potential for the Irish food and drinks industry, with China ranked as Ireland's fifth most important export market and the second largest for dairy and pork. While in Shanghai Minister Creed also launched Ireland's Origin Green brand in China.

READ MORE ABOUT [THE VISIT](#) AND IRELAND'S [ORIGIN GREEN BRAND](#) >>



MINISTER EOGHAN MURPHY

Minister of State Eoghan Murphy T.D. visited Shanghai to promote Ireland's Financial Services and the 2017 European Financial Forum (EFF) in Dublin next January. The Minister's trip included bilateral meetings with regional Government contacts and senior executives in major Chinese financial institutions, as well as launching Ireland's International Financial Services (IFS) Strategy.

READ MORE ABOUT [IFS IRELAND](#) AND [EFF 2017](#) >>





UPCOMING EVENTS

LE CHEILE

Irish community group Le Cheile welcomes all members of the Irish community to their upcoming events:

20 NOVEMBER : An Irish wander through Shanghai, 2-4pm, 200RMB/pp. You may or may not know that the old French Concession which was originally set aside for schools, churches and middle class dwellings. Today it is China's most vibrant and desirable neighbourhood. With our guide Spencer, we will explore some of Shanghai's best buildings and discuss the changes over the past 100 years.

1 DECEMBER: Evening Christmas drinks and mince pies. Venue to be confirmed.

10 DECEMBER: Christmas party with Santa and the Le Chéile elves in the Camel Pudong from 2pm. There will also be a taster session for the 'Le Chéile Kids' to warm up for the Féile kid's classes with some Irish songs and Irish dancing.

All Questions, RSVPs, and requests to be added to the Le Cheile mailing list should be sent to: lecheileshanghai@gmail.com



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RIVERDANCE

World-renowned Irish dance troupe Riverdance is set to return to Shanghai next January with their new show for 5 nights performance at the Shanghai Grand Stage. The show will take place from Tue 10 Jan 2017 - Sun 15 Jan 2017 at Shanghai Grand Theatre.

[TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE HERE >>](#)

YOUR EVENT HERE...

Are you organising an Irish Community or Cultural event that you think should be included in our newsletter? Don't forget to tell us about it!

You can contact the [Consulate of Ireland in Shanghai here >>](#)





TIME TO RENEW YOUR PASSPORT?

The Consulate of Ireland provides a wide range of consular services for Irish citizens, including the renewal of passports from here in Shanghai.

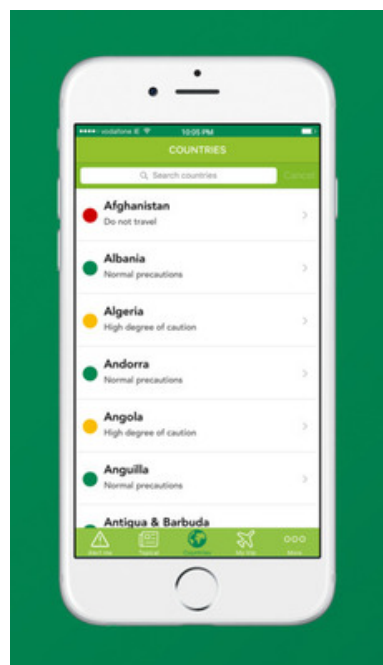
We advise all Irish Citizens to keep a close eye on the expiration date of passports and leave plenty of time when applying for a new passport, especially in the run up to busy travel periods such as Christmas. Don't forget to check the passport validity of your children and other travelling partners!

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