COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM ☑ *Original* ☐ *Amendment*

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and *file it with the Clerk of the House by email at* gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please ***do not*** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Aaron Schmidt
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ ***OR*** ☒ None
   b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: June 15, 2026 Return: June 19,2026
   b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ ***OR*** ☒ None
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: Dublin, Ireland Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: U.S. Ireland Partnership for Growth
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Met with Irish government officials and businesses trading goods and services between Ireland and United States.
7. Attached to this form are ***each*** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
   a. ☒ a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
   b. ☒ the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor ***prior*** to the trip, ***including all*** attachments ***and*** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
   c. ☒ page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; ***and***
   d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. ☒ I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
   b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: [signature] **Date:** 6/26/2026

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Rep. Suzan DelBene **Date:** 6/26/2026

Signature of Supervising Member: [signature]

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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☒ *Original* ☐ *Amendment*

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip *within 10 days of their return.*** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: The U.S. Ireland Partnership for Growth
2. Travel Destination(s): Dublin, Ireland
3. Date of Departure: Monday, June 15, 2026 Date of Return: Friday, June 19, 2026
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Aaron Schmidt

   Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if ***all*** information is ***identical*** for each person listed.
5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total **Transportation** Expenses	Total **Lodging** Expenses	Total **Meal** Expenses	Total **Other** Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	$1,738.34	$1,720.00	$523.75	
Accompanying Family Member				

6. ☒ All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. *Signify statement is true by checking box.*

I certify that the ntained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Ben English **Date:** June 22, 2026

Name: Ben English **Title:** Executive Director

Organization: The U.S. Ireland Partnership for Growth

☒ ***I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.***

Address: 1469 Oglethorpe Street, NW Washington, DC 20011

Telephone: 301-518-6336 **Email:** andrea@mietusevents.com

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection.

This form and any attachments may be submitted at 1015 Longworth House Office Building or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Aaron Schmidt

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep Suzan DelBene

Office Address: 2311 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

Telephone Number: 202-225-6311

Email Address of Contact Person: aaron.schmidt@mail.house.gov

☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, *and* these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via email: *travel.requests@mail.house.gov*.

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Aaron Schmidt
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: U.S. Ireland Partnership for Growth
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Dublin, Ireland
4. a. Date of Departure: June 15, 2026 Date of Return: June 19th, 2026

   b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?

   If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**

   (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____

   (2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____

   (3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?

   b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:
7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

   NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**

   Rep. DelBene serves on the Ways and Means Committee, which has jurisdiction over trade and tax policy. As her Chief of Staff, I advise her on these issues. Washington's 1st District has a large tech presence that does a lot of business in Ireland. I hope this trip can educate me on the trade and tax issues important to the U.S.- Ireland relationship and the businesses based in Rep. DelBene's district.
9. **Yes ☐ No ☒ Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: _____ **Date:** April, 24 2026

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

   US-Ireland Partnership for Growth

2. ☒ I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. ***Check only one.*** I represent that:
   a. ☒ The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**
   b. ☐ The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**
   c. ☐ The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

   If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): Please see attached Isit

5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: Monday, June 15, 2026 Date of Return: Friday, June 19, 2026

7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC- Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)
   b. Destination(s): Dublin, Ireland
   c. City of return: Washington, DC- Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

8. ***Check only one.*** I represent that
   a. ☐ The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**
   b. ☒ The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**
   c. ☐ The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. ***Check only one of the following.***
   a. ☐ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
   b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
   c. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
   d. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____

10. ☐ Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*
11. ***Check only one of the following.***
   a. ☐ I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box;* **OR**
   b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For ***each*** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip ***and*** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

   Please see attached.

13. ***Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary***:
   a. Mode of travel: Air ☐ Rail ☐ Bus ☐ Car ☐ Other ☐ (specify:_____)
   b. Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☐ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (specify:_____)
   c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. ☐ I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
15. ***Check only one.*** I represent that either:
   a. ☐ The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
   b. ☐ The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:
      1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): Using State Department guidelines the rate is 112.50 for travel days (Mon & Fri) 150.00 (Tues, Wed & Thur) with an estimated cost of $675.00
      2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: Please see attached.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

   Hotel Name: The Marker Hotel City: Dublin Cost Per Night: 430.00
   Reason(s) for Selecting: Central location to meetings in Dublin and the rate was best provided for stay.
   Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
   Reason(s) for Selecting: _____
   Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
   Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. ☒ I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

☐ Actual Amounts ☒ Good Faith Estimates	Total **Transportation** Expenses per Participant	Total **Lodging** Expenses per Participant	Total **Meal** Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	1,200.00	1,720.00	$675.00
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	$625.00	Ground transportation IAD round-trip. Transport in Dublin
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. ***Check only one:***
    a. ☒ I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
    b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**
    a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
    b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
    c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature: Ben English Date: April 15, 2026

Name: Ben English Title: Executive Director

Organization: US-Ireland Partnership for Growth

Address: 1469 Oglethorpe Street, Washington, DC 20011

Email: andrea@mietusevents.com Telephone: 301-518-6336

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Organization: US-Ireland Partnership for Growth

Question # 4

Below is the list of the delegation invited to attend the US-Ireland Partnership for Growth third annual Staff Delegation trip. The individuals listed below were offered an opportunity to participate due to the consistent theme throughout the programming. They were selected because they represent members who engage with (and in their own work they cover) key issues important to the US-Irish Business economic relationship and sit on key committees impacting the same- Friends of Ireland Caucus, Ways & Means, Foreign Affairs, Agriculture and Budget). This is in line with the Partnership's ethos of furthering economic opportunity on both sides of the Atlantic and we are pleased to have such a good representation of a bipartisan delegation.

U.S. Ireland Partnership for Growth
U.S. House of Representatives Staff Delegation 2026

First	Last	Title	Office/Committee
Bill	Ball	Senior Policy Advisor	Office of the Speaker Mike Johnson
Curt	Beaulieu	Senior Advisor	Office of the Speaker Mike Johnson
Claire	Bienvenu	Policy Adviser	Office of Speaker Mike Johnson
Jack	Boyd	Deputy Chief of Staff	Office of Rep. Claudia Tenney (NY-24)
Gable	Brady	Policy Advisor	Office of majority Leader Steve Scalise
Molly	Carey	Chief of Staff	Office of U.S. Representative Linda Sanchez (CA-38)
Dylan	Chandler	Chief of Staff	Office of Representative Jason Smith (MO-08)
Andrew	Keyes	Senior Policy Advisor	Office of Speaker Mike Johnson
Melissa	Kiedrowicz	Director of Outreach and Member Services	Committee on Ways and Means- Minority
Peg	McGlinch	General Counsel	U.S. House Ways and Means Committee
Laura	Munoz-Lopez	Director of Member Services	House Democratic Caucus
Gianluca	Nigro	Deputy Chief of Staff	Office of Representative Brendan Boyle (PA-02)
Zoe	Oreck	Policy Director	Office of Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries
Mary Ellen	Richardson	Chief of Staff	Office of Representative Darrin LaHood (IL-16)
Jamie	Robinette	Chief of Staff	Office of Representative Aaron Bean (FL-04)
Xenia	Ruiz	Deputy Chief of Staff	Office of Minority Whip Katherine Clark
Aaron	Schmidt	Chief of Staff	Office of U.S. Representative Suzan DelBene (WA-1)
Brian	Sowyrda	Staff Director	U.S. House Committee on Agriculture
Rachel	Wagley	Chief of Staff	Office of Representative Blake Moore (UT-01)
Trevor	White	Policy Director	U.S. House Committee on Agriculture

US IRELAND PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH THIRD ANNUAL STAFFDEL-STAFF

DUBLIN, IRELAND
Monday, June 15 – Friday, June 19, 2026

NOTE: Internal Preliminary Staff Delegation Agenda not for Public Distribution - Subject to Change

DRESS CODE IS BUSINESS ATTIRE ACROSS ALL OFFICIAL PROGRAMMING EVENTS

Saturday, June 13, 2026

7:15 pm **Brian Sowyrda**
Departs United Airlines Flight # 310 depart Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

Sunday, June 14, 2026

7:20 am Brian Sowyrda arrives at Dublin International Airport (DUB)

Monday, June 15, 2026

4:00 pm Arrive at Washington Dulles Airport (IAD) for Departure

7:15 pm United Airlines Flight # 310 depart Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

7:20 am Arrive at Dublin International Airport (DUB)

8:30 am Depart Dublin International Airport for Corrigan Dairy Farm,
Batterstown House, Trim, County Meath, C15 HHF2

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

8:30 am Depart for Corrigan Dairy Farm, Batterstown House, Trim, County Meath, C15 HHF2

45 minutes- 1 hour drive time

9:30 am -11:00 am **Ornua: Ireland's Sustainable Dairy Story**
The visit to the Ornua-overseen farm in Trim, Ireland provides a firsthand look at the country's sustainable, cooperative dairy model—built on grass-fed production, strong animal welfare, and environmental stewardship.**:** The delegation will tour a local dairy farm crucial to the operations of Ornua, Ireland's largest dairy exporter and owner of the number 2 branded butter (Kerrygold) in the United States. The delegation will hear from Ornua representatives on the role of local farmers in producing their grassfed products and gain a deeper understanding of the E2E farming process that kickstarts the production of Kerrygold, one of the world's leading dairy brands.

Speakers:
Eoin Corrigan, Owner and Farmer, highlighting on-farm practices and sustainability initiatives
Conor Galvin, CEO, Ornua – Cooperative leadership and global market perspective

11:00 am Depart Trimm for Marker Hotel
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

1 hour 20 minutes drive time

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm Arrive the Marker Hotel Dublin - Executive Time

1:30 pm Depart Marker Hotel for Government Buildings, Department of Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation Whitaker Room,
Merrion St Upper, Dublin 2, D02 R583, Ireland

15 minute drive time

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm **Fireside Discussion with Jack Chambers, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform in conversation with Lucinda Creighton, CEO, Vulcan Consulting**
Minister Chambers oversees Ireland's Public Expenditure and Reform and is a former Minister for Finance. He is also the Deputy Leader of Fianna Fail, the party which currently holds the office of Taoiseach. In this meeting, moderated by Lucina Creighton, the conversation will focus on the economic aspects of the US-Ireland relationship. THe Minister and attendees will have an opportunity to discuss challenges, opportunities and the scope for increased collaboration to do businesses in both directions. The Minister will also provide an overview of the work Ireland is doing at a national level to support infrastructure and wider reforms, while also reflecting on Ireland's upcoming presidency of the European Union.
Speakers:
Jack Chambers, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform
Lucinda Creighton, CEO, Vulcan Consulting

3:30 pm Depart Government Building for the Residence of the U.S. Ambassador to Ireland
Deerfield Residence, Chesterfield Avenue, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8, Ireland

25 minute drive time

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm **Welcome Reception US Ambassador to Ireland Edward S. Walsh**
Discussion will focus on the strength of economic and cultural ties between the US and Ireland and the opportunity for further collaboration between Irish companies, US Companies and legislators on both sides of the Atlantic.
Speakers:
Ambassador Edward S. Walsh, U.S. Ambassador to Ireland
Ben English, Executive Director, US Ireland Partnership for Growth

6:00 pm	Depart Phoenix Park for the Ferryman 35 Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Grand Canal Dock, Dublin, D02 E448, Ireland

30 minute drive time

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	**Welcome reception at the Ferryman**
8:00 pm	Depart for the Ferryman for the Marker Hotel Dublin

5 minute walk

RON:	**The Marker Hotel Dublin** Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

<u>Wednesday, June 17, 2026</u>

7:00 - 8:00 am	Breakfast available at the Marker
8:15 am	Depart Marker Hotel for Tik Tok The Sorting Office, Cardiff Land, Grand Canal Docks

10 minute walk

8:30 am - 10:00 am	**TikTok: Transparency & Accountability Center Experience** The Transparency and Accountability Center (TAC) offers guests a behind-the-scenes look at how TikTok works to protect platform safety, security, data, and privacy. Through a series of interactive installations, visitors can experience the role of a TikTok content moderator firsthand, explore the automated systems that proactively detect harmful content, and engage with object-detection technology that flags potentially violating material for human review. **Speaker:** **Susan Moss**, Head of Public Policy and Government, Tik Tok
10:00 am	Depart Tik Tok for Amazon Baldonnell Business Park, Dublin (D22 V5R3)

30 minute drive time

10:30 am - 12:00 pm	**Amazon in Ireland and the EU: Innovation, AI, and Public Policy** The tour of Amazon's Fulfillment Center will provide an inside look at the operations and innovation behind Amazon's mission to be Earth's most customer-centric company. Delegation attendees will also join an executive roundtable with Amazon's Vice President of EU Public Policy Lucy Cronin. Together, these two activities will highlight Amazon's footprint in Ireland and the EU and provide an opportunity to discuss artificial intelligence, innovation, and the EU regulatory environment for U.S. technology. **Speaker:** **Lucy Cronin**, Vice President of EU Public Policy

12:00 pm Depart Amazon to Oracle
2 Grand Canal Square, Dublin 2 D02 A342 (Hosting at William & Fry) New location

30 - 45 minute drive time

12:45 pm - 2:15 pm **Oracle: The Future of EU Digital Sovereignty (lunch provided)**
This panel will explore the legal, policy, and political considerations shaping the debate on EU digital sovereignty, including the priorities and potential next steps emerging during Ireland's upcoming Presidency of the EU Council. Panelists will also discuss how sovereign technology solutions are evolving to meet growing customer demands for greater data control, enhanced security, regulatory compliance, and operational resilience.
Speakers:
William Fry, TBC
Una Fitzpatrick, Director, Technology Ireland
Neil Mitchell, Senior Manager, Cloud Engineering, Oracle
Elliott Perkins, Senior Director, Government Affairs, Oracle (moderator)

2:15 pm Depart William & Fry for the Marker Hotel
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

1 minute walk

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm Executive Time

3:45 pm Depart Marker Hotel for Leinster House
Kildare St, Dublin 2, D02 TK75, Ireland

15 minute drive time

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm Leinster House Security

4:15 pm - 5:45 pm **Leinster House: A Visit and Discussion at Dail Eireann (Irish Parliament)**
The delegation will learn about history, mechanics and key milestones in establishing the Irish Parliament.
Speaker:
Senator Mark Daly, Chairperson of the Senate of Ireland

5:45 pm Depart Leinster House for Fallon & Byrne
11-17 Exchequer St, Dublin 2.

10 minute walk

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm **Celebration of Economic Progress & Potential- Ireland & The US**
Dinner with Former Taoiseach Enda Kenny
Ireland today is recognized as one of the world's strongest economies, boasting high GDP per capita, near full employment, and a crucial trading partnership with the United States. This prosperity was hard-won, following a period of severe economic crisis. This dinner celebrates the enduring economic prosperity between the US and Ireland, shining a light on the factors driving the Irish economy forward. Our Guest of Honor is former Taoiseach Enda Kenny. He was Taoiseach of Ireland from 2011–2017, guiding the country out of the financial crisis by working with the European Union and International Monetary Fund, restoring economic growth and stability. His tenure also saw major social reforms and early leadership on Brexit. Participants will hear about the present economic landscape and the key catalysts that shifted the momentum of the Irish economy, something which remains a core part of Enda Kenny's legacy.
Speakers:
Ben English, Executive Director, US Ireland Partnership for Growth
Former Taoiseach Enda Kenny

9:00 pm Depart Fallon & Byrne for the Marker Hotel
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

16 minute drive or 25 minute walk

RON: **The Marker Hotel Dublin**
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

<u>Thursday, June 18, 2026</u>

7:30-am - 8:15am **US Ireland Partnership for Growth Briefing & Breakfast**
The Marker Hotel Dublin
Speaker:
Ben English, Executive Director, US Ireland Partnership for Growth

8:15 am Depart for meeting in the Boardroom at the Marker Hotel

8:00 am - 9:00 am **From Discovery to Patient Care: Insights from Amgen and Lilly**
Representatives from Amgen and Lilly will discuss the lifecycle of life science innovation, from drug discovery and clinical development to patient delivery. The briefing will cover key policy drivers, including the regulatory landscape, the impact of the Inflation Reduction Act on R&D investment, and the importance of domestic supply chain resilience. Speakers will also highlight the role of public-private partnerships in maintaining U.S. global leadership in biotechnology and ensuring patient access to breakthrough therapies.

9:00 am Depart the Maker Hotel for Mastercard
South County Business Park, Carmanhall And Leopardstown, Dublin, Ireland

30 minute drive time

9:30 am -11:00 am **Mastercard: Inside Mastercard's Dublin Innovation Hub**

During the visit, the delegation will meet with Mastercard leadership for a firsthand look at the company's Dublin Tech Hub and its role in Mastercard's global technology and payments operations. Participants will gain a clearer understanding of Mastercard as a global technology company, how the Dublin office supports worldwide operations, and how teams collaborate across markets to develop and scale innovations that make payments more seamless and secure in everyday life — including contactless "tap to pay" technology. The visit will also provide insight into emerging trends in digital commerce, cybersecurity, and payments innovation, along with time for Q&A and informal discussion.

Speaker:

Grace Hayes, Executive Vice President of Global Market Technology

11:00 am Depart Mastercard for Croke Park

Jones' Rd, Drumcondra, Dublin 3, Ireland- Arrive Hogan Stand side

30 minutes drive time

11:30 am - 1:30 pm **Experiencing the Heart and Soul of Ireland: A Visit to Croke Park (lunch provided)**

The delegation will be introduced to Ireland's national stadium, including its significance in Ireland's history and its role in the country's journey to independence. The session will also explore the heritage of the two national sports—hurling and Gaelic football—alongside an interactive element where participants experience a pitch-side tour of Croke Park. This will offer an on-field perspective of the stadium and its elite playing surface. The program will include contributions from AIG Insurance on their work supporting Dublin sports and local communities, as well as the wider economic and tourism impact generated by major events at Croke Park.

Speakers:

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30 minute drive time

4:00 pm - 8:45 pm — **Horses for Courses: Visit to Leopardstown Racecourse**
The Irish horse industry is worth an estimated €3 billion a year and contributes over 30,000 jobs to the Irish economy. The delegation will be hosted at Leopardstown for an evening of engagement with leaders from one of Ireland's most popular sports. Participants will meet with leadership from Horse Racing Ireland (HRI) and also meet the teams behind some of Ireland's most established racehorse stables.

8:45 pm — Optional shuttle to the Marker Hotel

RON: — **The Marker Hotel Dublin**
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

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<u>Friday, June 19, 2026</u>

7:30 am — **Closing Breakfast**

9:00 am — Depart the Marker for Dublin International Airport

30 minute drive time

9:30 am — Arrive at Dublin International Airport (DUB)

12:30 pm — United Flight # 229 Depart Dublin International Airport (DUB) for Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

3:30 pm EDT — Arrive Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

<u>Sunday, June 21, 2026</u>

12:30 pm — **Mary Ellen Richardson and Trevor White**
United Flight # 229 Depart Dublin International Airport (DUB) for Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

3:30 pm EDT — Arrive Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

Ethics Question #12

The U.S.-Ireland Partnership for Growth is a non-profit organization dedicated to strengthening economic engagement between the United States and Ireland. Its interest in this trip aligns with its mission to promote bilateral trade, investment, and policy dialogue, and to deepen understanding of the U.S.-Ireland economic relationship, valued at over $800 billion.

The Partnership facilitates engagement between multinational businesses operating in both countries and government leaders, with a focus on reducing barriers to growth and expanding shared economic opportunity. It also recognizes Ireland as a key U.S. economic partner and gateway to the European Union.

For this trip, the Partnership has organized and planned the program, including coordinating meetings and educational roundtables with Irish business and political leaders. These activities are intended to provide Congressional staff with insight into the economic, regulatory, and policy factors shaping the bilateral relationship.

The trip is being conducted under the guidance of Executive Director Ben English and Senior Advisor Andrea Mietus, who have overseen program development and logistics.

Ethics Question #15-2

Dublin was selected as the location for this trip due to its central role in U.S.-Ireland economic and political engagement. As Ireland's capital and primary economic hub, Dublin is home to key government institutions, multinational corporations, and industry leaders that are central to the bilateral relationship.

The U.S.-Ireland Partnership for Growth, established to facilitate sustained engagement between U.S. and Irish business and policy leaders, identified Dublin as the most appropriate location to provide Congressional staff with direct access to senior policymakers and business stakeholders. This setting enables meaningful dialogue on trade, investment, and regulatory issues affecting both economies.

The trip is designed to provide a small, bipartisan group of Congressional staff with opportunities to engage in curated discussions and round tables with Irish officials and private sector leaders. These engagements aim to deepen understanding of the economic ties between the United States and Ireland and to explore opportunities to support continued shared growth and prosperity.

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NOTE: Internal Preliminary Staff Delegation Agenda not for Public Distribution - Subject to Change

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Saturday, June 13, 2026

7:15 pm Brian Sowyrda departs United Airlines Flight # 310 depart Washington Dulles (IAD)

Sunday, June 14, 2026

7:20 am Brian Sowyrda arrives at Dublin International Airport (DUB)

Monday, June 15, 2026

4:00 pm Arrive at Washington Dulles Airport (IAD) for Departure

7:15 pm United Airlines Flight # 310 depart Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

7:20 am Arrive at Dublin International Airport (DUB)

8:30 am Depart Dublin International Airport for Corrigan Dairy Farm, Batterstown House, Trim, County Meath, C15 HHF2

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

8:30 am Depart for Corrigan Dairy Farm, Batterstown House, Trim, County Meath, C15 HHF2

45 minutes- 1 hour drive time

9:30 am -11:00 am **Ornua: Ireland's Sustainable Dairy Story**
The visit to the Ornua-overseen farm in Trim, Ireland provides a firsthand look at the country's sustainable, cooperative dairy model—built on grass-fed production, strong animal welfare, and environmental stewardship.**:** The delegation will tour a local dairy farm crucial to the operations of Ornua, Ireland's largest dairy exporter and owner of the number 2 branded butter (Kerrygold) in the United States. The delegation will hear from Ornua representatives on the role of local farmers in producing their grassfed products and gain a deeper understanding of the E2E farming process that kickstarts the production of Kerrygold, one of the world's leading dairy brands.

Speakers:
Eoin Corrigan, Owner and Farmer, highlighting on-farm practices and sustainability initiatives
Conor Galvin, CEO, Ornua – Cooperative leadership and global market perspective

11:00 am Depart Trimm for Marker Hotel
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

1 hour 20 minutes drive time

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm Arrive the Marker Hotel Dublin - Executive Time

1:30 pm Depart Marker Hotel for Government Buildings, Department of Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalization Whitaker Room,
Merrion St Upper, Dublin 2, D02 R583, Ireland

15 minute drive time

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm **Fireside Discussion with Jack Chambers, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform in conversation with Lucinda Creighton, CEO, Vulcan Consulting**
Minister Chambers oversees Ireland's Public Expenditure and Reform and is a former Minister for Finance. He is also the Deputy Leader of Fianna Fail, the party which currently holds the office of Taoiseach. In this meeting, moderated by Lucina Creighton, the conversation will focus on the economic aspects of the US-Ireland relationship. THe Minister and attendees will have an opportunity to discuss challenges, opportunities and the scope for increased collaboration to do businesses in both directions. The Minister will also provide an overview of the work Ireland is doing at a national level to support infrastructure and wider reforms, while also reflecting on Ireland's upcoming presidency of the European Union.
Speakers:
Jack Chambers, Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform
Lucinda Creighton, CEO, Vulcan Consulting

3:30 pm Depart Government Building for the Residence of the U.S. Ambassador to Ireland
Deerfield Residence, Chesterfield Avenue, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8, Ireland

25 minute drive time

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm **Welcome Reception US Ambassador to Ireland Edward S. Walsh**
Discussion will focus on the strength of economic and cultural ties between the US and Ireland and the opportunity for further collaboration between Irish companies, US Companies and legislators on both sides of the Atlantic.
Speakers:
Ambassador Edward S. Walsh, U.S. Ambassador to Ireland
Ben English, Executive Director, US Ireland Partnership for Growth

6:00 pm Depart Phoenix Park for the Ferryman
35 Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Grand Canal Dock, Dublin, D02 E448, Ireland

30 minute drive time

6:30 pm - 7:00 pm **Welcome reception at the Ferryman**
Speaker: Ben English
Ben will talk about the goals of the trip and what to expect over the next few days
With the U.S. Ireland Partnership for Growth

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Light fare

8:00 pm Depart for the Ferryman for the Marker Hotel Dublin

5 minute walk

RON: **The Marker Hotel Dublin**
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

<u>Wednesday, June 17, 2026</u>

7:00 - 8:00 am Breakfast available at the Marker

8:15 am Depart Marker Hotel for Tik Tok
The Sorting Office, Cardiff Land, Grand Canal Docks

10 minute walk

8:30 am - 10:00 am **TikTok: Transparency & Accountability Center Experience**
The Transparency and Accountability Center (TAC) offers guests a behind-the-scenes look at how TikTok works to protect platform safety, security, data, and privacy. Through a series of interactive installations, visitors can experience the role of a TikTok content moderator firsthand, explore the automated systems that proactively detect harmful content, and engage with object-detection technology that flags potentially violating material for human review.
Speaker:
Susan Moss, Head of Public Policy and Government, Tik Tok

10:00 am Depart Tik Tok for Amazon
Baldonnell Business Park, Dublin (D22 V5R3)

30 minute drive time

10:30 am - 12:00 pm **Amazon in Ireland and the EU: Innovation, AI, and Public Policy**
The tour of Amazon's Fulfillment Center will provide an inside look at the operations and innovation behind Amazon's mission to be Earth's most customer-centric company. Delegation attendees will also join an executive roundtable with Amazon's Vice President of EU Public Policy Lucy Cronin. Together, these two activities will highlight

Amazon's footprint in Ireland and the EU and provide an opportunity to discuss artificial intelligence, innovation, and the EU regulatory environment for U.S. technology.
Speaker:
Lucy Cronin, Vice President of EU Public Policy

12:00 pm — Depart Amazon to Oracle
2 Grand Canal Square, Dublin 2 D02 A342 (Hosting at William Fry) New location

30 - 45 minute drive time

12:45 pm - 2:15 pm — **Oracle: The Future of EU Digital Sovereignty (lunch provided)**
This panel will explore the legal, policy, and political considerations shaping the debate on EU digital sovereignty, including the priorities and potential next steps emerging during Ireland's upcoming Presidency of the EU Council. Panelists will also discuss how sovereign technology solutions are evolving to meet growing customer demands for greater data control, enhanced security, regulatory compliance, and operational resilience.
Speakers:
Leo Moore, Head of Technology, William Fry
Una Fitzpatrick, Director, Technology Ireland
Neil Mitchell, Senior Manager, Cloud Engineering, Oracle
Elliott Perkins, Senior Director, Government Affairs, Oracle (moderator)

2:15 pm — Depart William & Fry for the Marker Hotel
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

1 minute walk

2:15 pm - 3:45 pm — Executive Time

3:45 pm — Depart Marker Hotel for Leinster House
Kildare St, Dublin 2, D02 TK75, Ireland

15 minute drive time

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm — Leinster House Security

4:15 pm - 5:45 pm — **Leinster House: A Visit and Discussion at Dail Eireann (Irish Parliament)**
The delegation will learn about history, mechanics and key milestones in establishing the Irish Parliament.
Speaker:
Senator Mark Daly, Chairperson of the Senate of Ireland

5:45 pm — Depart Leinster House for Fallon & Byrne
11-17 Exchequer St, Dublin 2.

10 minute walk

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm **Celebration of Economic Progress & Potential- Ireland & The US**
Dinner with Former Taoiseach Enda Kenny
Ireland today is recognized as one of the world's strongest economies, boasting high GDP per capita, near full employment, and a crucial trading partnership with the United States. This prosperity was hard-won, following a period of severe economic crisis. This dinner celebrates the enduring economic prosperity between the US and Ireland, shining a light on the factors driving the Irish economy forward. Our Guest of Honor is former Taoiseach Enda Kenny. He was Taoiseach of Ireland from 2011–2017, guiding the country out of the financial crisis by working with the European Union and International Monetary Fund, restoring economic growth and stability. His tenure also saw major social reforms and early leadership on Brexit. Participants will hear about the present economic landscape and the key catalysts that shifted the momentum of the Irish economy, something which remains a core part of Enda Kenny's legacy.
Speakers:
Ben English, Executive Director, US Ireland Partnership for Growth
Former Taoiseach Enda Kenny

9:00 pm Depart Fallon & Byrne for the Marker Hotel
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

16 minute drive or 25 minute walk

RON: **The Marker Hotel Dublin**
Grand Canal Quay, Docklands, Dublin, D02 CK38, Ireland

<u>Thursday, June 18, 2026</u>

7:30-am - 8:00 am **US Ireland Partnership for Growth Briefing & Breakfast**
The Marker Hotel Dublin
An update on the past days meetings and getting some insight-
followed by a deep dive on what is yet to come today as we close out the
this trip
Speaker:
Ben English, Executive Director, US Ireland Partnership for Growth

8:00 am Depart for meeting in the Boardroom at the Marker Hotel

8:00 am - 9:00 am **Amgen & Lilly: From Discovery to Patient Care: Innovation, Access, and Global Burden-Sharing in Biopharmaceutical Policy**
For more than three decades, the United States has led the world in biopharmaceutical Innovation. Several factors actively threaten that leadership, including developed markets undervaluing innovative medicines, proposals to tie U.S. prices to those set abroad, and China's march toward becoming a biopharma superpower. Earlier this year, Ireland adopted a four-year biopharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement framework designed to support both patient access and continued investment in innovation. Could similar approaches be pursued in other developed markets to better

align the value placed on innovation globally, reducing pressure for the United States to rely on international reference pricing or other policies that may affect incentives for future innovation?
Speakers:
Mary Harney, Senior Advisor, Hanover Communications
Duane Schulthess, CEO, Vital Transformation
Jim McGrath Director of Commercial Policy, Irish Pharmaceutical Healthcare Association (IPHA)

9:00 am — Depart the Maker Hotel for Mastercard
South County Business Park, Carmanhall And Leopardstown, Dublin, Ireland

30 minute drive time

9:30 am -11:00 am — **Mastercard: Inside Mastercard's Dublin Innovation Hub**
During the visit, the delegation will meet with Mastercard leadership for a firsthand look at the company's Dublin Tech Hub and its role in Mastercard's global technology and payments operations. Participants will gain a clearer understanding of Mastercard as a global technology company, how the Dublin office supports worldwide operations, and how teams collaborate across markets to develop and scale innovations that make payments more seamless and secure in everyday life — including contactless "tap to pay" technology. The visit will also provide insight into emerging trends in digital commerce, cybersecurity, and payments innovation, along with time for Q&A and informal discussion.
Speaker:
Grace Hayes, Executive Vice President of Global Market Technology

11:00 am — Depart Mastercard for Croke Park
Jones' Rd, Drumcondra, Dublin 3, Ireland- Arrive Hogan Stand side

30 minutes drive time

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The location also matters. Leopardstown sits beside one of Ireland's most important business districts, home to leading global technology, financial services, and professional services companies. This makes the visit a valuable lens into modern Ireland: a country where heritage industries, global business, rural enterprise, tourism, and international investment all intersect.

By meeting industry leadership, owners, trainers, and jockeys, the delegation will gain a rounded understanding of how Irish racing operates as a business ecosystem - from breeding and training to race-day operations, global competition, and the personal commitment required to succeed at the highest level.

5:45 pm Shuttle to the Marker Hotel

RON: **The Marker Hotel Dublin**

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Sunday, June 21, 2026

12:30 pm	**Trevor White** United Flight # 229 Depart Dublin International Airport (DUB) for Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)
3:30 pm EDT	Arrive Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)