The International Federation of Environmental Health declared Tuesday 26th September, 2017 as World Environmental Health Day to promote and highlight current and emerging issues relevant to the EH community and profession.

This year’s theme is “indoor and outdoor air quality”. The quality of our air has a direct impact on our health and is a current public health issue in Ireland.

To mark WEHD, the Environmental Health Team in the School of Food Science and Environmental Health held an “Air Quality Seminar”. The seminar was attended by over 70 EH undergraduate students along with staff members.

Two keynote presentations were delivered by experts in the area. Professor Patrick Goodman, Department of Physics, Kevin Street delivered an excellent presentation on “The tobacco ban and ambient air quality in Ireland”. Patrick Kenny, Air Quality Manager with the Environmental Protection Agency gave an exceptional insight into “The development and implementation of the new national ambient air quality monitoring programme for Ireland”.

Students participated in a questions and answers sessions which was thought provoking and gave staff and future EH professionals much to consider regarding air quality and public health both nationally and internationally.
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WEHD Seminar DIT

Professor Patrick Goodman, DIT

Patrick Kenny, Environmental Protection Agency, Ireland

Over 70 Students Attended WEHD in DIT

Dr. Christine O’Connor, DIT, Patrick Kenny, EPA, Prof. Patrick Goodman DIT, Kathy Young, DIT and Dr. Ciara Walsh DIT