

Curriculum Vitae

Name: Mr John Muldowney

Nationality: Irish

Born: 27th June 1976

Career History:

August 2020 to date: Agricultural Attaché, Embassy of Ireland, London:

- Representing the interests of the Department and of Irish agriculture and fisheries priorities.
- Development and maintenance of effective relationships with key stakeholders.

Aug '12 – Aug '20: Climate Policy Division, Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine, Ireland:

- Acting Director (Apr – Nov 2019).
- Member of Core EU negotiation team on United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) international issues related to agriculture, food security and climate change.
- Member of United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Task force on reactive nitrogen.
- Senior Department of Agriculture Policy Analyst working with European, United Nations and cross governmental teams, including state agencies, to deliver Departmental policies on agricultural climate action and air quality.
- Creation of a Greenhouse Gas Inventory Refinement group to facilitate positive ongoing collaboration and coordination with stakeholders to optimise the agriculture sector's contribution to greenhouse gas mitigation, sequestration and sustainable energy.

Jan '08 – Aug '12: Nitrates, Biodiversity and Engineering:

- Policy officer on development of programmes relating to sustainable agriculture including the EU Water Framework Directive, EU Groundwater Directive and the Agricultural Catchment Programme.
- Department of Agriculture Policy Liaison to facilitate positive ongoing collaboration and coordination with the Department of Environment, local authorities and lead consultants in the development of Ireland's first set of river basin management plans.
- Communication and networking with relevant stakeholders regarding agri-environmental policy and environmental legislation.

Mar '01 – Dec '07: Agricultural & Environmental Services:

- Representation of the Department of Agriculture's interests at EU bilateral and technical meetings.
- Agricultural Inspector responsible for the implementation of Ireland's Agri Environmental Scheme.
- Scientific Officer to the 'Biodiversity working group' within the Department of Agriculture.

Education:

2001: Masters in Agricultural Science (MAgrSc) from University College Dublin;

1999: Honours degree in Agricultural and Environmental Science (BAgrSc) from University College Dublin;

1996: National Certificate in Science: Agricultural Science from the Institute of Technology, Waterford.