

Budget 2024 Briefings – Participant Bios

Panel Discussion – 10 October 2023, 19.30-20.30

Tom Reynolds is President of the Irish Tax Institute and has worked in senior tax roles in multinational manufacturing industries for the last 28 years. He is currently Vice-President of Tax, M&A and Business Structuring at Schneider Electric, a global specialist in energy management and automation. He previously worked for Kellogg where he was Director of Global Tax Projects and Kerry Group where he was Head of Tax. Tom qualified as a Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) in 1992. He is a member of Chartered Accountants Ireland and holds an MBA from the University of Ulster. He was elected to the Council of the Irish Tax Institute in 2008. He is the 48th President of the Institute.

Rosanne Longmore is the CEO of Coroflo, a company which has developed and patented the world's first accurate breastfeeding monitor. Coroflo have raised €4m investment and have won numerous innovation and technology awards. Prior to Coroflo, Rosanne worked in financial services for 15 years, working across different business units including wealth management and client service operations. Having qualified from the University of Limerick, Rosanne completed further industry qualifications with the Institute of Project Management and the Institute of Bankers.

Austin Hughes is a free-lance economist. Until last June, he had worked as Chief Economist with KBC where he produced the bank's well known and highly regarded quarterly Consumer Confidence Survey. He had previously worked in the Department of Finance, the Central Bank and Bord Fáilte. He now produces a Consumer Sentiment Survey for the Irish League of Credit Unions. Austin's expertise is in Irish and European economies and he is a regular contributor in the media on economic and financial topics.

Shane Coleman is the presenter of Newstalk's flagship Breakfast programme and a columnist with the Sunday Business Post.

Technical Briefing – 11 October 2023, 10.00-11.30

Mark Barrett is a Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) with RDJ. He has worked in tax roles in both industry and practice and has advised Irish and multinational clients on a wide range of tax matters. Mark is also a past President of the Irish Tax Institute and a member and past chairman of Main TALC. Mark is co-author of the Institute's publication, Revenue Audits and Investigations – The Professional's Handbook.

Kate Newman is a Director in KPMG's Tax practice. Kate has experience in advising a wide range of clients including Irish headquartered public companies, multinationals, private Irish businesses, partnerships and high-net-worth individuals. Kate specialises in Direct Tax advisory and compliance services. Kate's experience covers a range of domestic and cross-border tax advisory projects including advising on group reorganisations, mergers and acquisitions, financing and refinancing and tax due diligence projects. Kate's clients span several industries, including Energy, Real Estate, Aviation, Retail, Hospitality and Professional Services. Kate is a Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) and a member of ACCA.