



Galway
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Challenge to Debate the forthcoming Referendum

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The Galway branch of the United Left Alliance would like to issue an invitation to you to debate the issues surrounding the forthcoming referendum to ratify the *Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union*.

The Galway Council of Trade Unions has agreed to facilitate such a debate and have already issued invitations to you to debate. We now reiterate that invitation and issue a direct challenge to you to engage in a public debate with us.

Both you and your political party have taken a strong stance on this referendum and have loudly called for a Yes vote. As you know, the United Left Alliance is opposed to the treaty and is calling for a No vote.

We are more than willing to stand over our arguments and to debate the issues. This challenge to debate is being made publically and should you refuse you respond, or to debate, we will make that refusal public too.

If you have the courage of your convictions and confidence in your arguments you will agree to debate with us.

The Galway Council of Trade Unions has earmarked the 24th May as the most suitable date for the debate.

Sincerely,

Conor McGuinness

Secretary, ULA Galway