



Call for Contributions | Second Imbolg Early Career Seminar

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The *Journal of Franco-Irish Studies* aims to provide a forum for postgraduate and postdoctoral researchers working on all aspects of Franco-Irish Studies. The second **Imbolg Early Career Seminar** will be an academic event in the form of an **online seminar** intended to provide opportunities to share developing research projects and gain feedback in an open and welcoming environment that will enhance the postgraduate research experience. Participants are welcome to outline the basis of their research and present already developed studies or completed works. We invite proposals for individual contributions that relate to **Irish, French or Franco-Irish Studies**.

The event will be held **online** on 5th February 2026.

As part of the Early Career Seminar, keynote speakers from the field of Irish Studies will share insights and experiences from their work in the field. The highly regarded scholar **Dr María Elena Jaime de Pablos**, Professor of English at the University of Almería, is one of the confirmed participants and will speak on her experience in researching **Irish women writers**.

Imbolg is one of the Quarter Days in the Irish tradition. It falls on 1st February and marks the beginning of Spring. We hope this to be an auspicious time to hold an event for early career researchers.

Participation and attendance are free, but registration is advised. **Electronic certificates will be issued** to both participants and attendees free of charge.



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Proposal submission guidelines:

Submit a 200-word abstract in English or French that can later be developed into a 15-minute presentation. Proposals, including a title and five keywords, should be submitted via [this](#) form.

Deadline for submission: January 9, 2026.

Participants will be notified by January 16, 2026.

Speakers will be invited to submit a manuscript for publication in upcoming *JOFIS* issues.

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