



## Accompanying Persons Tour

An exciting programme has been developed for the accompanying person's tour for EGF 2018. Accompanying persons will join the main conference for the opening ceremony and welcome reception on Sunday 17th June. On Monday, delegates will tour the world renowned [Ballymaloe Cookery School Gardens and Organic Farm](#). Following that, the tour will stop at the [Shanagarry Design Centre](#), where delegates can admire some Irish crafts and indulge in some shopping if they desire. There will also be time for lunch (at delegates own expense) in the Café at Shanagarry Design Centre. In the afternoon, the tour will visit the [Titanic Experience, Cobh](#). Cobh, then known as Queenstown, was the last port of call for the Titanic before it sunk. Those who boarded the titanic here were just a small few of millions of passengers to emigrate from Ireland through Queenstown. A visit to the centre will tell their story. On Monday evening, there will be a reception with the main conference delegates, and then everyone will be free to visit Cork City for the evening.

On Tuesday, delegates will join the main conference for the mid-Conference Tours. Delegates will visit Teagasc Moorepark Research Centre in the morning, and then choose one of five mid-conference tours. On Tuesday evening there will be a social dinner.

On Wednesday, delegates will visit the picturesque and historic port town of [Kinsale](#). There will be a walking tour of the town and some time for exploring. There will be a stop for lunch (at delegates own expense) at [The Bullman](#). In the afternoon, delegates will enjoy a walking tour of [Cork City](#). Cork city is the second largest city in Ireland. The city is on the banks of the River Lee which splits creating an island of the city centre. It is full of historic buildings and winding streets interspersed with modern buildings. It is considered by many the food capital of Ireland. On Wednesday evening, delegates will attend the Gala Dinner at the Rochestown Park Hotel.

On Thursday delegates will enjoy some free time and then join the closing ceremony of the conference, followed by lunch.

The accompanying person's tour includes Welcome Reception (Sunday), Mid-Conference Tour and Tuesday evening meal, Lunch on Tuesday and Thursday, Gala Dinner, Transportation on Monday and Wednesday, Tour Guide, and Entry Fees to Ballymaloe Cookery School Gardens and Organic Farm and Titanic Experience. Lunch on Monday 18th and Wednesday 20th June is not included, but a lunch break is provided in the schedule.