

### CESI Conference.

A departure from previous CESI conferences saw the 2003 Conference take place on a school day Friday and Saturday (14th–15th February) in Coláiste de hÍde, Tamhlacht, Dublin. The title of the conference, *Classroom Applications of ICTs* underscored the practical emphasis of this international conference. The Conference was opened by Pat Rabbitte, a local TD and Leader

of the Labour Party, who emphasized his concern for the future wellbeing of the Education System and the necessity to have firm support for mathematical, science and technology education. Other topics included workshops on digital video editing, networking, ICT and maths, science, an Ghaeilge, as well as ICT and Special Needs, modern languages, the Internet. Many of the papers are to be found on the CESI website at [www.cesi.ie](http://www.cesi.ie).



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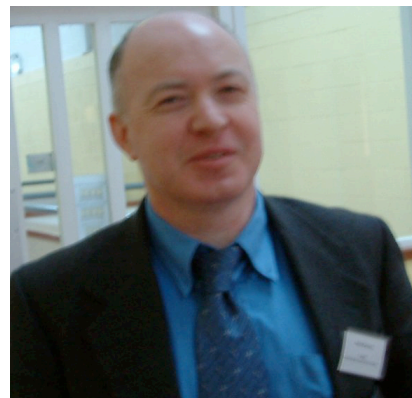
Participants in the Network workshop



Participants at the Conference

For the next day and a half the participants were treated to a good mix of presentations, workshops and discussion beginning with a keynote presentation from John Davies and Shirley Hackett from Dudley in the UK on the Global Challenge, a problem solving cross-curricular use of the Web through a growing number of virtual balloon tours. This presentation set the tone for rest of the conference with its emphasis on the practical. Other

### CESI Executive



David Kearney, Chairperson

At the AGM, which was held during the Conference, David Kearney, the ICT Advisor in the Drumcondra Education Centre and a Post-Primary teacher on secondment from St Mary's Glasnevin in Dublin, was elected Chairperson

to succeed Paddy Bates, Elizabeth Oldham from Trinity College was elected Vice-chairperson, Bairbre Ní Choistealbha ó Choláiste de hÍde was elected Secretary and Gerry Hogan was returned as Treasurer.

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