

# 'INVISIBLE ASSETS'

## A Strategic Approach to Integrating Health, Biodiversity and the Environment

This one-day seminar highlights the importance and relevance of the interconnections between environment, biodiversity and health to our quality of life, sense of place, well-being, economic development and sustainability. It will provide examples of these interconnections and outline the potential benefits of integrating environment, biodiversity and health strategies at local, regional and national levels. It will showcase integrated information systems that link health data with environmental data and provide a more comprehensive picture of how the ecosystem approach embraces factors necessary for equitable sustainable development.

### Confirmed speakers include:

Duncan Stewart, architect and TV presenter of 'EcoEye' and 'About The House'

Richard Douthwaite, economist and author of 'The Growth Illusion'

Gary McFarlane, Chartered Institute of Environmental Health, Northern Ireland.

Conor Kretsch, COHAB (Cooperation On Health And Biodiversity) Initiative

Martin Devine, Health Service Executive

### National Seminar

Ionad Cois Lochra

Dunlewey, Co. Donegal

Friday 24th October 2008

The seminar will be of interest to local authorities, the health sector and policy makers as well as stakeholders from the public, public partnership, community, voluntary, environment, heritage, academic and corporate sectors.

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