

# Halliwick Swimming Association of Ireland (HSAI)

Country report: September 2011

The Halliwick Swimming Association of Ireland (HSAI) was established in Limerick in November 2009. From this meeting a committee was formed and the Constitution of the new Association was finalised. The HSAI was established to encourage, develop and promote knowledge and use of the Halliwick Concept in Ireland.

Achievements to date -

- Created a recognisable logo for HSAI
- New website went live in Summer 2011, [www.halliwick.ie](http://www.halliwick.ie)
- Bi-annual newsletter to members of HSAI and available on web
- 6 foundation and 2 advanced courses supplied
- 3 study days held
- First Assessor's course in Ireland in September 2011
- Introductory sessions provided for relevant organisations
- Trial session for children in Galway with the potential for a new club
- HSAI has been delighted with the contributions made by lecturer Aoife Ni Mhuiri to the Halliwick International Education and Research Committee. Aoife participated in the meeting in Israel in early 2010 and hosted the committee in Co. Kerry Ireland in October 2010. The committee brief for the meeting was to develop video teaching and learning resources to accompany the updated Halliwick Concept Paper 2010 which is now available on the IHA website.
- The Institute of Technology Tralee continues to promote Halliwick through its links with European Universities. An introduction to the Halliwick concept was included in the European Inclusive Physical Education Training (EIPET) module and an introductory day has been included in the European Diploma in Adapted Physical Activity (EUDAPA) which is delivered in Hagga Helia Univeristy in Finland

The Future for the HSAI –

- Maintain website and ensure accessibility and relevance to all users
- Continue involvement and further strengthen links with IT Tralee
- Liaise with other third level institutions
- Make contact with professionals (over 400 people trained in Ireland)
- Re-introduce Halliwick into clubs and encourage new clubs
- Raise profile and understanding of Halliwick within relevant organisations
- Make a presentation at [www.eucapa2012.eu](http://www.eucapa2012.eu)

