

Board members Leonard Hobbs and Anthony O Connell welcome Mayor of Kerry,
Ms Norma Foley to the hand over ceremony for the Cable Station





## Mayor of Kerry Ms Norma Foley accepts the key of the Cable Station on behalf of the people of Valentia from former owner Ms Ranka Pollmeier



Ms Ranka Pollmeier, with Mayor of Kerry Ms Norma Foley and board member Michael Lyne and guests at the hand over ceremony of the Cable Station to the people of Valentia



Danielle McCormack and Ed Bourke from the Department of Culture, and the Gaeltacht examining an original piece of the Transatlantic cable with board members ahead of the Lecture at the Cable Station





#### Board chairperson Leonard Hobbs with the speakers at the Valentia Lecture





## Professor Genevieve Bell, Senior Fellow at Intel and now at the Australian National University





"The legacy we celebrate here is precisely about something which resonated globally.

You can't make connections without meaning...and its more than just about the technology...its about people, business, social institutes and cultural meaning"



See full lecture at https://valentiacable.com/events/valentia-lecture-2018/

# Professor Chris Morash, originally from Nova Scotia, and current Vice Provost at Trinity College Dublin





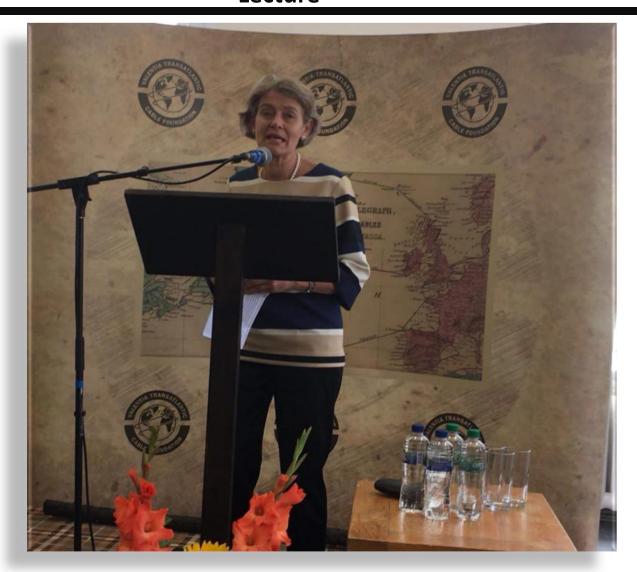
Quoting the Mayor of New York
"this new world of modern
communications is a triumph of
science and energy over space and
time – a world where a small town
called Mallow in Co Cork is now a
suburb of New York"



See full lecture at https://valentiacable.com/events/valentia-lecture-2018/

## Ms Irina Bokova, former Director General at UNESCO at the Valentia Lecture





"I do believe that this is an extraordinary fantastic story. UNESCO heritage is a journey that brings something to the whole world"



## Dr Bob Mauro, Director at the Global Institute at Boston College, at the Valentia Lecture



"there are many global challenges facing us today, such a the movement of people...at Boston College we celebrate our global connections"



Board member Anthony O Connell recognises the outstanding support of the late Bob Joyce to many initiatives on Valentia, with his Bob's wife Joyce





# Former Fine Gael Leader Alan Dukes with Minister of State for Sport and Tourism, Brendan Griffin at the Gala Dinner





# Board member Mary Rose Stafford with Professor Genevieve Bell at the reception for the Gala dinner





# Board member Shay Walsh with his team from BT at the reception for the Gala dinner





### **Guests arrive for the Gala dinner at the Royal Hotel**









#### **Guests arrive for the Gala dinner at the Royal Hotel**









#### Board member Dennis Jennings with guests at the reception for the Gala dinner





#### National and Local Radio Coverage







https://www.rte.ie/news/player/2018/0713/21398685-160th-anniversary-of-first-message-sent-from-valentia-island-to-newfoundland/







http://www.radiokerry.ie/valentiaisland-marks-160th-anniversaryfirst-cable-message-sent-acrossatlantic/

#### International, national and local media coverage





https://www.irishexaminer.com/ireland/valentia-island-marks-milestone-message-between-queen-and-president-472772.html



https://www.independent.ie/regionals/kerryman/lifestyle/return-of-valentia-island-cable-series-taking-place-in-july-37077802.html







## siliconrepublic

https://www.siliconrepublic.com/comms/valentia-island-first-trans-atlantic-cable-message-unesco

## Our Supporters this year

















