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#### SEAMUS HEANEY MEMORIAL LECTURE

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# BERNARD O'DONOGHUE

Poet and academic Emeritus Fellow at Wadham College, Oxford



Bernard O'Donoghue in Edinburgh, 2015.© Gary Doak

Date and time: 6.00 pm, Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022 Venue: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Lecture Hall at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (1051 Budapest, Széchenyi István tér 9.)

Opening speech by

### H.E. Ronan Gargan

Ambassador of Ireland to Hungary

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BERNARD O'DONOGHUE Irish poet, academic was born in Cullen, County Cork in 1945. He moved to Manchester in 1962, and since 1965 he has lived in Oxford where he taught Medieval English and Modern Irish Literature until his retirement. He has published seven books of poetry, the most recent being *The Seasons of Cullen Church* (2016). He has published books on medieval literature and on modern Irish poetry, including *Seamus Heaney and the Language of Poetry* (1994) and as editor *The Cambridge Companion to Seamus Heaney* (2009). He prepared a new translation of the Middle English poem *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight* (2006) and translations of poems by the Czech poet Zbyněk Hejda (2005). His lucid *Poetry: A Very Short Introduction* was published in 2019. His own poetry is marked by an elegiac self-reflexive tone and an evocative power to describe small details of everyday stories rooted in his local Cullen. He is an Emeritus Fellow of Wadham College, Oxford, and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature. In 2014 he succeeded Seamus Heaney as Honorary President of The Irish Literary Society, London.