

DUBLIN AND EMERALD WARRIORS RFC
BID TO HOST



The Union Cup 2019



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A close-up photograph of a person's legs and arms covered in mud. The person is wearing dark socks with red stripes at the top. A muddy soccer ball with blue and white patterns is in the foreground. The background is a blurred green field.

FOREWORD

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Foreword

Who are the Emerald Warriors RFC

Emerald Warriors RFC was formed in August 2003 to provide an open and inclusive environment to play rugby in the Dublin region.

Our club offers the opportunity to play competitive rugby in Ireland and internationally.

At present the club has over 110 members, comprised of players, pavilion members and alumni.

Our mission is to be the sports club of choice.

Attracting and encouraging lifelong membership from within and outside our community, we provide an open and inclusive rugby focused club, where individuals can come together to learn, play, support and enjoy rugby.

Our Club Vision

The Emerald Warriors vision is to be, the leading LGBTI inclusive rugby club (In the world),

Leading by example and achieving success at home and abroad, both on and off the pitch.

History of the Union Cup

The Union Cup is a biennial rugby union tournament. It has comprises of a rugby union 15s element, a rugby 7s element and a rugby 10's element. First hosted in Montpellier in 2005 by Los Valents De Montpellier RFC, it has been hosted by various clubs throughout Europe, that similar to Emerald Warriors RFC have grown from gay and lesbian communities. In 2007 the Union Cup was hosted by Copenhagen Wolves RFC. In 2009 Kings Cross Steelers RFC had the honour of hosting in London. This was followed by Amsterdam Lowlanders RFC in 2011. Then in 2013 the tournament moved to Bristol to be hosted by Bristol Bisons RFC. Moving back to Europe in 2015, Straffe Ketten RFC from Brussels hosted. This year the 2017 Union Cup will be hosted by Madrid Titanes RFC at the end of April.



LETTER OF INTENT

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Letter of Intent

Dear Friends

It is with a great sense of pride that the members of Emerald Warriors RFC submit this bid document to host the Union Cup in 2019.

In anticipation of hosting the largest Union Cup to date, we will build a tournament around the needs and welfare of every participant. Player welfare will be our top priority ensuring that infrastructure, services and facilities are structured with the needs and welfare of every player at the heart of the event. We will liaise with each club seeking feedback and input to ensure we host a Union Cup that exceeds expectations.

We welcome our guests to Dublin, a world class rugby destination that offers, tourist attractions, entertainment, shopping and dining options to suit all needs.

It will be a great honour and privilege for Emerald Warriors RFC to host the Union Cup 2019.

Yours in Rugby,

Brian Healy

Club President, Emerald Warriors RFC

A photograph of rugby players in a scrum on a grass field. The players are wearing dark blue jerseys with green accents and green socks. One player's jersey number '12' is visible. The text 'OUR HOME' is overlaid in white. A diagonal green and white graphic element is on the right side.

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HOME

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Our Home

Emerald Warriors RFC is based at St Mary's College RFC. St Mary's College RFC was founded in 1900 and supply some of Ireland's top international, British and Irish Lions, Leinster and AIL (Ireland's top tier club rugby) players.

St Mary's College RFC, located just 6kms from our accommodation base, has three pitches, a large and modern clubhouse with three bars and meeting rooms. The clubhouse also boasts a fully equipped gym, a sophisticated Physio treatment area, large and modern changing rooms and shower rooms. Pitch viewing area.



OUR COMMUNITY AND VISION

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Panti on stage in Ballinrobe. Photographer: Kate Dolan

Self-proclaimed "accidental and occasional gay rights activist" Rory O'Neill AKA Panti Bliss delivered an impassioned and powerful post-snow oration at Dublin's Abbey Theatre, speaking about prejudice and homophobia.

Our Community is Welcoming and Accepting

Equality in Ireland

On the opening day of Union Cup 2015 in Brussels, Ireland voted for Marriage equality for all. Ireland enjoys some of the world's most progressive equality, gender and trans rights legislation, which have been enshrined in Irish law for many years.

Making Dublin the perfect city to host the Union Cup 2019.

Player Welfare

We will put player welfare at the centre of the Union Cup 2019. We have partnered with the Order of Malta, a national charity, that provides, emergency and first aid at large events.

Two sophisticated emergency ambulances on standby for the full duration of the tournament. 16 fully trained EMT (Emergency Medical Technicians) on standby for the duration of the tournament We also have a national emergency hospital within four kilometres of the venue.

Complimentary physio and sports therapy will be provided.

Our Vision for the Union Cup 2019

We will exceed the expectations of all the attendees of the Union Cup 2019 by organising the largest and best Union Cup ever. We will do this by partnering with professional organisations, our community organisation and voluntary groups.

We will collaborate with and listen to our community, IGR friends and the wider rugby community. We will never renege on player welfare and always put the player first.

Our Tournament Partners

In order to build a successful tournament we have partnered with many of the most professionally groups and organisations here in Dublin. These partnerships will assist greatly in the successful delivery of the Union Cup 2019.

Rugby Partners Leinster Rugby, Leinsterrugby.ie

Accommodations Partners staycity.com

First Aid/Emergency Care Order of Malta

Transport Expressbus.ie

Event Partner Failte Ireland,
The National Tourism Development Authority of Ireland

Political Support Lord Mayor of Dublin The Right Honorable Cllr Brendan Carr
Minister for Social Protection Mr. Leo Varadkar TD
Minister for State at Tourism and Sport
Mr Patrick O'Donovan TD

Opening Ceremony Partner Teeling Distillery

Please see letters of support in appendix to the rear of booklet.



TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

Costs

Early bird player registration	€99
Early bird supporter registration	€79
Late player registration	€129
Late supporter registration	€99
Preferred accommodation	€50 pppn (approx)
Flights	€99-€150 rtn (approx)
Four day price range player	€395-€479
Four day price range supporter	€378 - €449

Similar to previous years we propose a 15s element and a 7s element. Qualifying rounds and knockout stages of quarter finals, semi finals and final. In the twelve months leading up to the Union Cup 2019 we intend to survey and listen to participating teams/players/stakeholders. We have based this schedule on 800 players/35 teams taking part. Our tournament is planned over the weekend of Friday 3rd May - Sunday 5th of May 2019.

Proposed Tournament Schedule

Two-Day Tournament

Thursday	Arrival of delegations and teams to Dublin 10.00-17.00 Scheduled team training sessions 21.00 Rugger meet up and pub crawl
Friday	10.00-17.00 Scheduled team training sessions 17.00 Opening Ceremony at Teeling Distillery, complimentary distillery tour, food and drinks, entertainment 20.00 Late night entertainment various venues city wide
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*For the purpose of this bid we are presenting the standard two day tournament option.
However, we have also considered a three day option based on potential increase in participants in 2019.
Please see our appendix on page 20.*

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Trinity College, Dublin

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in the city's ignorance like a great dull stone set
in a cumbrous ring...*

- 'A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man'

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The Dublin Difference

It's not one thing, it's a million little things! Of course, you have to start somewhere, so we have come up with a list that should serve as a good starting point! With event space and activities for groups of all sizes we are sure to find one that fits you.

So many places to stay

Dublin boasts 20,000 hotel bedrooms across a wide variety of international and home-grown 3*, 4* and 5* properties. Whether it is the Georgian delights of the Merrion Hotel, the historic Shelbourne Hotel, or the modern charm of The Marker Hotel, guest will be well looked after.

Historic venues

Dublin offers a fascinating mix of historic venues from medieval crypts and 17th century theatres to castles and Georgian townhouses.

Modern venues

From breweries, science museums and a purpose built convention centre to football stadia.

So easy to get to

Whether you come by plane or take the boat, you'll find Dublin is easily accessible by air or sea. Flights to Dublin arrive from 180 international destinations, and direct ferries run from Holyhead and Liverpool to Dublin daily.

Getting Around Dublin City

- ▶ Dublin is compact and easily 'walkable'.
- ▶ Almost 10,000 taxis.
- ▶ Buses: Dublin Bus operates the city's bus routes running from 06:00-23:30.
- ▶ Train: DART, Suburban and Intercity Trains.
- ▶ LUAS: State-of-the-art light rail transit system.
- ▶ Cycling: Dublin City Bikes are an option for visitors interested in short-term city bike rental.

Public Transportation to/from Dublin City

- ▶ Dublin Airport is located 10km north of Dublin city centre, and is just 12-15 minutes via the Port Tunnel. Average taxi fare €30.00.
- ▶ For your journey, the Airlink 747 airport shuttle bus stops directly outside the building (return journey €10.00) and taxi and car hire services are also easily available.
- ▶ As we are in the city most of your delegates could walk from their hotel.

International Carriers include

- ▶ Aegean Airlines
- ▶ Air France
- ▶ ASL Airlines
- ▶ Blue Air
- ▶ British Airways
- ▶ City Jet
- ▶ Cobalt
- ▶ Ethiopian
- ▶ Eurowings
- ▶ Finnair
- ▶ Flybe
- ▶ Iberia Express
- ▶ Lufthansa
- ▶ Luxair
- ▶ Air Moldova
- ▶ Norwegian Airlines
- ▶ Air Canada Rouge
- ▶ Ryanair
- ▶ Scandinavian Airlines
- ▶ S7 Airlines
- ▶ Swiss
- ▶ Air Transit
- ▶ Transavia Airlines
- ▶ Turkish Airlines
- ▶ Vueling
- ▶ West Jet
- ▶ WOW Air
- ▶ Aer Lingus
- ▶ American Airlines
- ▶ Delta Airlines
- ▶ Emirates
- ▶ Etihad
- ▶ United Airlines

Dublin is considered a world hub for international flights. Nearly all the European IGR affiliated clubs have direct flights to Dublin. If you choose to travel beyond Dublin you can easily access the rest of Ireland by road, rail or car. Dublin as a capital city is well served by a modern public transport system with trams, scheduled bus services, rail services and Dublin Bikes. Our venue is short 20 minute bus ride from the Stay City Aparthotel on St Augustine, St. We have partnered with Expressbus. ie to transport all attendees for the match days. For those who miss this service, public transport is also available.

Getting to the City Centre from Dublin Airport

The short hop to the city centre is serviced by Aircoach and Dublin Bus Airlink. These coach companies serve the main areas and hotels in the city, as well as main conference venues. A transfer to the city takes only 15 minutes using the Dublin Port Tunnel.

Luas

The Luas is Dublin's tram system, which connects the surrounding suburbs to downtown within minutes. Tickets can be purchased at automatic kiosks at each stop and you can choose from a simple one way to a weekly or monthly pass. An integrated city transport card, the Leap card can also be used on the Luas.

Dart

Dublin Area Rapid Transport brings commuters to and from the city centre and along the coastal towns of Dublin, so within minutes you can go from the bustling business district to relaxing in one of our fishing villages.

Dublin Bikes

Pick up a Dublin Bike from one of the 44 stations dotted around the downtown area and travel with ease across the city. A three day subscription costs just €2 euro and can be purchased at any one of the 15 credit card terminals around the city.



These are an increasingly popular option for Dubliners, and it's not uncommon to see our Mayor or politicians using them to get from meeting to meeting!

Dublin Bus

Our double decker buses traverse the city in designated bus lanes that ease through the traffic and ensure prompt arrival at your destination. Download the free Dublin Bus app before you arrive in Dublin to get 'real-time' travel updates.

Visit Dublin App

This free app is a must have tool to ensure you make the most of your visit to our vibrant capital. Explore, discover and enjoy the most vibrant of cities from the comfort of your home, at 35,000ft, or the bustle of Grafton Street! Get up-to-date information on hundreds of events, browse places to visit, find out what's nearby you, discover restaurants, cafes, points of interest, historic sites, special offers and much much more, all to help you plan your visit in Dublin.

My Taxi

Organise your cab (or as we say; Taxi) even before you leave your home! Forget random taxis, lost receipts and arm flailing. Download the free mytaxi App so with just two clicks on your smartphone you can book, track travel, pay in advance and receive e-receipts electronically. Hailo taxi cabs are fast becoming Dubliners most popular choice of taxi cab!

Walking

You are only 5 minutes from anything in Dublin city; 5 minutes down the road, across the bridge, around the corner, past the statue, so get on your feet and explore our cities streets where you're sure to discover hidden gems!





Dublin – A Rugby Destination

Dublin and rugby have been partners since the early 1850's with the founding of Ireland's first (and some say the world's first) rugby club based at Trinity College. Needless to say a lot has happened since then and Dublin hosts many exciting international test matches at the Aviva Stadium (formerly Lansdowne Road).

At a European Cup and Pro 12 level Leinster Rugby put many a visitor to the test at RDS. At a club level Dublin is home to some 50 Rugby Union Clubs who represent their communities with pride. Including Emerald Warriors RFC who have grown from Dublin's LGBT community since 2003.

Dublin. A Breath of Fresh Air

A truly unique city with a truly unique atmosphere. A food lover's heaven with many well established eateries and an ever increasing number of new modern food dining options. A spectacular art destination from Caravaggio to the preserved studio of Francis Bacon we have it all and lots more.

Our world famous pint and the 118.2 seconds that make it worth waiting for. Also don't forget our world renowned craft whiskeys such as Teeling.

Outside of Dublin

Whether by train, bus or car the rest of Ireland and its incredible amenities are a short journey away.



ACCOMMODATION





Accommodation

Staycity.com operate and manage a number of modern and spacious aparthotels in Dublin city. We will be based at their 110 unit aparthotel on St Augustine Street, which is a few minutes walk from Dublin city centre and a twenty minute journey to our tournament venue. Staycity.com also operate other properties minutes away in Christchurch and Millennium Walkway.

We have agreed preferential rates as low as €50 pppn.

In addition Dublin City centre has accommodation to suit all needs, from Holiday Hostels, Airbnb, 3, 4 and 5 star hotels.

FINANCE DETAILS

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Finance Details

We have put together costings that reflect a tournament that is built around all players, squads and supporters. We have prioritized the facilities, showers, emergency medical care, physiotherapy and playing environment for the tournament. We have based these financials on 1,000 attendees split 80% player and 20% supporter/coach.

Income

Item	Item Cost €	Total €
Player Fee	91,200	
Supporter Fee	17,800	
Sub Total		109,000
Additional Income		
Merchandise (nett)	2,500	
Concessions	2,500	
Sponsorship	10,000	
Fundraising	2,500	
Sub Total		17,500
Total		126,500

Expenditure

Item	Item Cost €	Total €
Venue Hire	15,000	
Transport	15,000	
Insurance	12,500	
Opening Event	6,500	
Closing Event	8,500	
Referees	3,000	
Portable Showers	6,500	
First Aid	4,500	
Water	5,500	
Water/Heating Connections	5,500	
Pitch supplies	5,000	
Location hardware	5,000	
Promotion	5,000	
Admin	2,500	
Accounting	1,500	
Awards	2,500	
Legal	2,500	
Misc.	5,000	
Contingency	15,000	
Sub Total		126,500
Surplus		0

APPENDICES

Proposed Three-Day Tournament Schedule

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Letters of Support

Paul Kelly
Chief Executive



13th March 2017

Mr Brian Healy
President
Emerald Warriors RFC
c/o St Marys College RFC
Templeville Road
Templeogue
Dublin 6W

Dear Brian

It is with considerable interest that I learned of the bid to host the 2019 Union Cup.

Dublin hosts a wide variety of international events every year with great success. I am confident that the 2019 Championships can be hosted here with results that will satisfy all expectations.

Please be assured that you and your colleagues have our full support through the Event Ireland unit in Fáilte Ireland, the National Tourism Development Authority.

I look forward with interest to the outcome of the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Paul Kelly".

Paul Kelly
Chief Executive

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Office of the Minister for Social Protection

Mr Brian Healy,
President,
Emerald Warriors RFC,
c/o St Marys College RFC,
Templeville Road,
Templeogue,
Dublin 6W.

10th March 2017

Re: Emerald Warriors Bid to Host the 2019 Union Cup in Dublin

Dear Mr Healy,

I would like to take this opportunity to offer my full support The Emerald Warriors RFC bid to host the 2019 Union Cup in Dublin.

The Emerald Warriors have since their foundation in 2003, let the way in building their club based on inclusion for all in sport. They have embraced the values of rugby in all they do; enjoyment, teamwork, inclusion, friendship, respect, discipline and of course sportsmanship.

I believe Dublin is the ideal city to host the Union Cup in 2019. It has the sporting culture and in particular rugby, it has the infrastructure amenities and resources to ensure that the teams and their supporters would get a world class rugby playing experience. Dublin also offers the visitor an amazing experience of hospitality and friendship with so much to do and see.

I wish the Emerald Warriors all the best with their bid for the Union Cup in Dublin in 2019 and I know that they have the experience, support and expertise to host a world class rugby event in Dublin

Yours Sincerely

Leo Varadkar T.D.,
Minister for Social Protection

*The Minister is a Designated Public Official under the Regulation of Lobbying Act, 2015
(details available on www.lobbying.ie)*

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FROM
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GROUND
UP

13th of March, 2016.

To Whom It May Concern

Leinster Rugby is delighted to support Emerald Warriors RFC's bid to host the Union Cup in 2019 here in Dublin.

We welcome the opportunity to bring so many of our European Rugby brethren here to Dublin to play the sport that unite so many teams that come from so many different backgrounds, countries and communities. The core values of Community, Equality and Hard Work lie at the heart of Emerald Warriors RFC. Like all Rugby Clubs Emerald Warriors RFC is built around it's members and it's community.

We remember the professional way that Emerald Warriors RFC hosted the Bingham Cup in 2008 at the sports ground of Dublin City University. We are delighted to hear that this experience remains within Emerald Warriors RFC. As a result we have great confidence in Emerald Warriors RFC in delivering a professionally organised event for all who attend.

Player welfare is also very important in the modern era of Rugby. We are delighted to hear that Emerald Warriors RFC will have on stand by ambulance cover and first aid cover provided by The Order of Malta.

We all here at Leinster Rugby fully endorse Emerald Warriors RFC's bid to host the Union Cup in 2019.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Dawson
CEO

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Lord Mayor of Dublin
Brendan Carr

Mr Brian Healy,
President,
Emerald Warriors RFC,
c/o St Marys College RFC,
Templeville Road,
Templeogue,
Dublin 6W.

10th March 2017

Dear Mr Healy,

We are delighted to support your bid to host Union Cup 2019 here in Dublin. Dublin has played host to numerous prestigious conferences and events in the past and has a very successful track record in this area. Dublin would be an excellent choice for this event.

Dublin is an accessible destination and our convivial capital offers a world-class selection of hotels, venues and service providers. An outstanding variety of restaurants, entertainment and activities will help ensure that your participants' expectations of Dublin as a fun and friendly destination are exceeded and attract high participant levels for your event. Dublin is a knowledge capital and a vibrant, cultural and dynamic city to visit. We have no doubt that Dublin is the ideal location for this event in 2019.

We hope that Dublin will be a winning formula and we look forward to extending a sincere *Céad Mile Fáilte* to you and to all your international colleagues.

Yours sincerely,

Brendan Carr
Lord Mayor of Dublin



An Roinn Iompair
Turasóireachta agus Spóirt

Department of Transport,
Tourism and Sport

Oifig an Aire Stáit • Office of the Minister of State

20 March 2017

Our Ref: e5568

Shane Raftery
Emerald Warriors Rugby Club
St. Mary's RFC
Templeville Road
Dublin 6W

Dear Mr Raftery,

The Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport is responsible for supporting the growth of a competitive and sustainable tourism industry and we are, therefore, delighted to support the Emerald Warriors Rugby Club in their bid to host the Union Cup in Dublin in 2019.

As Minister of State for Tourism and Sport, I am very pleased that this important event will provide Dublin and Ireland with an opportunity to be showcased internationally, highlighting the world class sporting and accommodation facilities that are available as well as our expertise in the industry. I am confident that Dublin will provide the backdrop for a memorable and successful event.

We look forward to welcoming you and your fellow international teams, officials and fans and can assure you of our full support through the Event Ireland team in Fáilte Ireland, the National Tourism Development Authority.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick O'Donovan, T.D.
Minister of State for Tourism and Sport

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FROM
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The Honorary Secretary,
Emerald Warriors RFC,
15th March 2017

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We remember the professional way that Emerald Warriors RFC hosted the Bingham Cup in 2008 at the sports ground of Dublin City University. We are delighted to hear that this experience has had a lasting impact and retains many happy memories for Emerald Warriors RFC. As a result we have great confidence in Emerald Warriors RFC in delivering a professionally organised event for all who attend.

Player welfare is also very important in the modern era of Rugby. We are delighted to hear that Emerald Warriors RFC will have on standby ambulance cover and first aid cover provided by The Order of Malta.

We all here at Leinster Rugby fully endorse Emerald Warriors RFC's bid to host the Union Cup in 2019 and wish them every success.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Doherty,
President, Leinster Rugby



Dear Emerald Warriors RFC,

Staycity Aparthotels Dublin is delighted to support your bid to bring the 2019 Union Cup to Dublin. Our properties are modern, sophisticated and comfortable. All our locations are all located within minutes' walk to the heart of Dublin City and all it has to offer.

Our premier property is on St Augustine Street in the heart of historic Dublin. We have 110 apartments with a selection of 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments. Each Apartment can sleep between 3 and 7 people. They are approximately twice the size of standard hotel room. Facilities include a 24 hour reception, fully equipped kitchen, complimentary Wifi

Rates are available from Eur150 per night for a 1 bedroom apartment (sleeps 3), subject to availability

We wish you all the very best for your bid and success to all who take part in The Union Cup this year and in 2019.

Kind regards

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Dear Emerald Warriors RFC,

Teeling Distillery is delighted to support Emerald Warriors RFC's bid to host the 2019 Union Cup. We are very excited to host the opening ceremony for the tournament here in our very own and the only fully operational distillery in heart of Dublin.

As part of the opening ceremony we will be delighted to give you all a free tour of the only operational distillery in Dublin, which is set in historical Liberties area. Our distillery is within minutes walk from the city centre. Also our bar will be open and you will be able to sample all our spectacular Whiskeys, our amazing cocktails inspired by our Whiskeys and the Irish craft beer we stock.

We look forward to welcoming so many new friends from all over Europe to compete in the Union Cup 2019.

The Teeling Distillery fully endorses Emerald Warriors RFC bid to host the Union Cup in 2019.

Yours in rugby
Aisling Meagher.

City Centre to Event Location



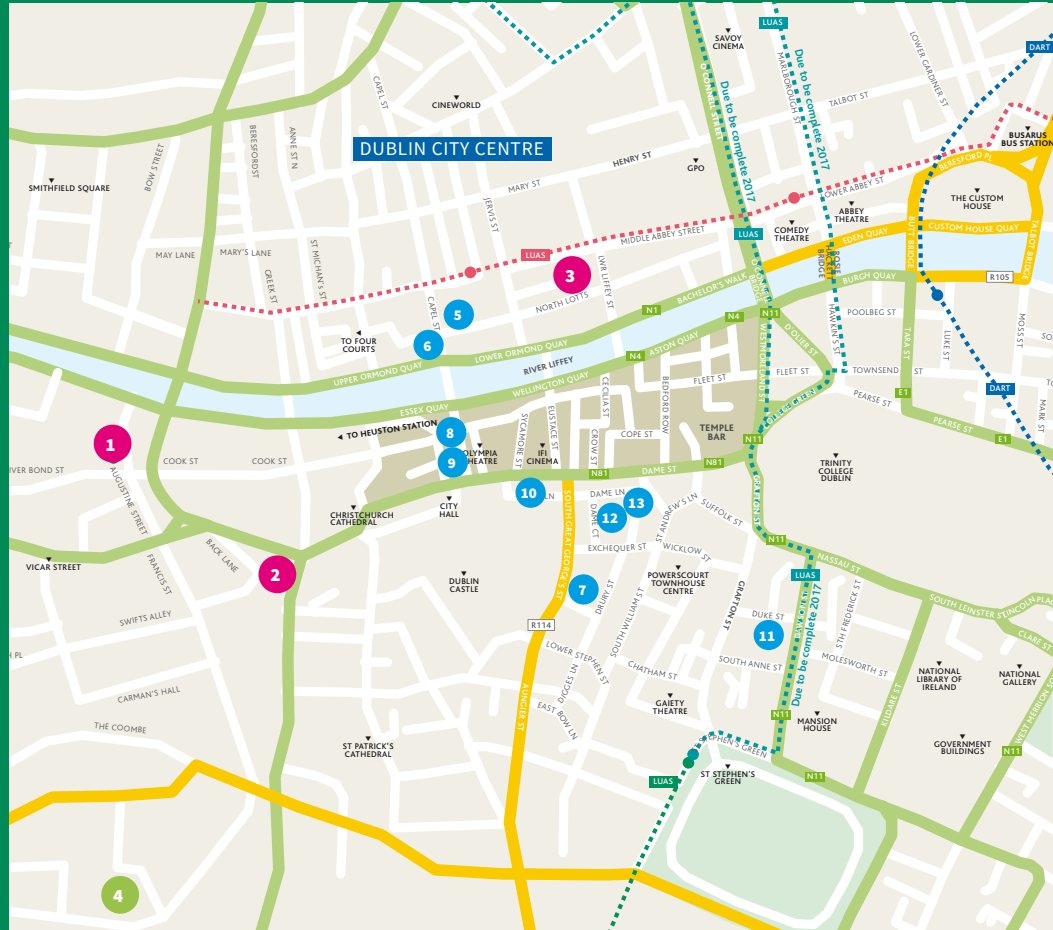
Tournament Location:

St Mary's College RFC,
Templeville Rd,
Dublin 6w

Accommodation base:

- 1 Staycity.com St Augustine St,
off Thomas Street
- 2 Staycity.com Christchurch
- 3 Staycity.com Millenium Walkway

Map of Dublin Area



Opening Ceremony:

- 4 Teelings Distillery,
Newmarket Sq

Social Venue:

- 5 Pantibar, Capel St
- 6 Nealons Bar, Capel St
- 7 Nolita, Georges St
- 8 Turks Head, Parliament St
- 9 Street 66, Parliament St

- 10 The Front Door, Dame St
- 11 Duke & Lemon, Hibernian Way,
Grafton St
- 12 Odessa Club, Dame Court
- 13 Four Dame Lane, Dame Lane



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