

ARC NI CONFERENCE



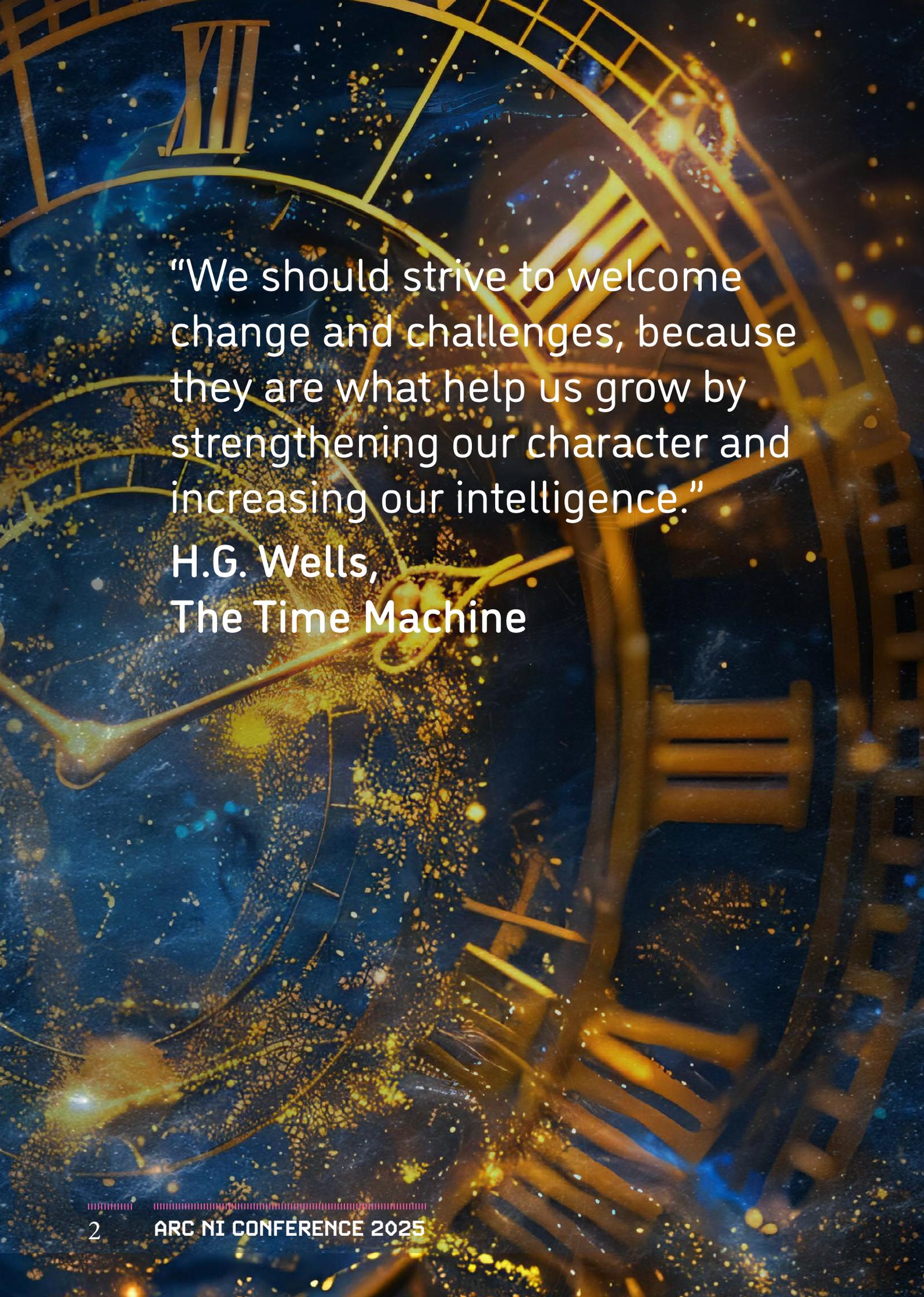
# TIME TRAVEL THROUGH THE CRYSTAL LABYRINTH

DUNADRY HOTEL, ANTRIM  
FRIDAY 7TH MARCH 2025  
FROM 9AM-5PM

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“We should strive to welcome change and challenges, because they are what help us grow by strengthening our character and increasing our intelligence.”

H.G. Wells,  
The Time Machine

# PROGRAMME

TIME	EVENT	PLACE
08:45am	<b>REGISTRATION</b> Refreshments	Reception
09:30am	<b>"HUMANITY IS STRONG, ENERGETIC, AND INTELLIGENT."</b> <b>Leslie-Anne Newton, ARC (NI) Director &amp; Catherine Orr, TILII</b> Setting the context of why we are here today	Ballroom
09:40am	<b>"THEY WERE PUT INTO MY POCKETS, WHEN I TRAVELLED INTO TIME."</b> <b>Camilla Kvalheim, CEO &amp; Editor in Chief, TV BRA</b> Camilla and her staff will tell us about their Norwegian TV streaming platform that between 4-5,000 people tune into every week	Ballroom
10:00am	<b>"AND WITH THAT THE TIME TRAVELLER BEGAN HIS STORY."</b> <b>Conference 25 Theatre Company</b> A theatrical play, led by CAN and Kilcreggan showing how things have changed over the past 25 years.	Ballroom
10:30am	<b>"ANY REAL BODY MUST HAVE EXTENSION IN FOUR DIRECTIONS: IT MUST HAVE LENGTH, BREADTH, THICKNESS AND DURATION."</b> <b>Geraldine McGahey, Chief Commissioner, Equality Commission NI</b> Geraldine will provide her reflections of the UNCRPD and how this has improved the lives of people with a learning disability, autism and other support needs.	Ballroom
10:40am	<b>BREAK</b>	Reception
11:00am	<b>"TAKE IT AS A LIE—OR A PROPHECY. SAY I DREAMT IT IN THE WORKSHOP?"</b> Workshops showing how technology can improve the lives of people with a learning disability, autism and other support needs.	

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12:00pm	<p><b>"YOU MUST FOLLOW ME CAREFULLY. I SHALL HAVE TO CHALLENGE ONE OR TWO IDEAS THAT ARE ALMOST UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTED."</b></p> <p>Closing off the past and a bit of birthday fun!</p>	Ballroom
12:45pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	Ballroom
2:00pm	<p><b>"THERE IS NO INTELLIGENCE WHERE THERE IS NO CHANGE AND NO NEED OF CHANGE."</b></p> <p><b>Linda McAuley chairs The NI Government Revolutionary Panel</b></p> <p>A Q&amp;A session chaired by Linda with Government Departments</p>	Ballroom
2:00pm	<p><b>PARALLEL WORLD</b></p> <p><b>Nothing About Us Without Us</b></p> <p>Workshops for people supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Sound &amp; Chill; and Glow &amp; Create Candles</li> <li>» Food Fun; and Tech, Tunes and Plan a Party</li> </ul>	
3:30pm	<p><b>BREAK</b></p> <p>Birthday Cake time!</p>	Ballroom
4:00pm	<p><b>"IT SOUNDS PLAUSIBLE ENOUGH TONIGHT, BUT WAIT UNTIL TOMORROW. WAIT FOR THE COMMON SENSE OF THE MORNING."</b></p> <p><b>Leslie-Anne Newton, ARC (NI) Director &amp; Catherine Orr, TILII</b></p> <p>What will the world look like in another 25 years.</p>	Ballroom
4:30pm	<b>CONFERENCE CLOSE</b>	

"We see some beginnings of this even in our own time, and in this future age it was complete."

# EASY READ AGENDA

	TIME	EVENT	PLACE
	08:45am	<b>Sign in</b> Tea and Coffee	Reception
	09:30am	<b>Welcome</b> <b>Leslie-Anne Newton (ARC NI Director) and Catherine Orr (TILII)</b> Talking about why we are here today.	Ballroom
	09:40am	<b>TV BRA</b> <b>Camilla Kvalheim, (Chief Executive)</b> Talking about a TV channel in Norway led by people with a learning disability.	Ballroom
	10:00am	<b>The past to the present</b> <b>Conference 25 theatre company</b> A play by people with a learning disability to show their personal stories from the past.	Ballroom
	10:30am	<b>Standing up for equal rights!</b> <b>Geraldine McGahey, Chief Commissioner, Equality Commission NI</b> We will hear about how the <b>UNCRPD</b> has improved the lives of people with a learning disability, autism and other support needs. <b>UNCRPD – United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities is an International Agreement.</b>	Ballroom

	TIME	EVENT	PLACE
	10.40am	Break	Reception
	11:00am	<b>Workshops for everyone</b> A. How technology helps us find information about transitions B. Staying safe online C. Care app to stay connected D. Computer program that helps organisations meet peoples needs E. Technology that helps communication	See workshop Easy Read
	12:00pm	<b>Step into the future</b> Leave the past behind!	Ballroom
	12:45pm	Lunch	Ballroom
	2:00pm	<b>Time for questions!</b> <b>Linda McAuley asks the Northern Ireland Government questions</b> This is a chance for you to ask questions and learn more about what they do. For example, health, education and justice. <b>Or you can go to a workshop instead.</b>	Ballroom

# EASY READ AGENDA (CONTINUED)

	TIME	EVENT	PLACE
	2:00pm	<p><b>Workshops for people with a learning disability</b></p> <p>F. Sound and chill, and Glow and create – Relaxing music and Candle making</p> <p>G Food fun, and Tech tunes and plan a party – Healthy food art and DJ Party planning</p>	See workshop Easy Read
	3:30pm	<p><b>BREAK</b></p> <p>Birthday Cake time!</p>	Ballroom
	4:00pm	<p><b>Let's talk about the future!</b></p> <p><b>Leslie-Anne Newton (ARC NI Director) and Catherine Orr (TILII)</b></p> <p>We will think about what the world will be like in 25 years.</p>	Ballroom
	4:30pm	<b>The end!</b>	
	<b>Thank you for coming!</b>		



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