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Call for applications for a study visit entitled

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICYMAKING

December 8th – 18th, 2009
Boston, Massachusetts & Washington, DC

Up to fourteen individuals (from Ireland and Northern Ireland) including environmental scientists and academics, representatives from relevant NGOs, representatives from the private sector and policymakers from local and national government will be selected to examine issues including watershed management and pollution (associated with flooding, industrial waste, urban development, or agricultural runoff) in addition to other environmental challenges. The programme will also explore how renewable energy and clean technologies might feature in both local and national public policy agendas. The programme is sponsored by the Irish Institute at the Centre for Irish Programmes, Boston College, and the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Programme-related costs including travel, accommodation, tuition, and the majority of meals are provided. The programme is not open to U.S. citizens, Green Card holders, or past participants of U.S. Government-funded Irish Institute programmes. *Short-listed applicants must be available for interview either 6th October in Belfast or 7th October in Dublin*. Please note that the programme is by necessity highly selective, and that consequently, not all applicants will be interviewed and not all interviewees will be invited to participate.

To apply: Please visit our website at http://www.bc.edu/irishinstitute for an application form. The completed form, in addition to a letter of interest, must be returned by email to Ms. Thea Gilien at gilien@bc.edu before 5 p.m. GMT on Monday, **21st September, 2009**. The letter of interest should include: reason for application, your ability to contribute to the programme, and potential for sharing your experience upon your return home. For further information, please visit our website or telephone Ms. Thea Gilien (Dublin) at (353) 1 614 7450.