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**TO:** Affiliated Organisations of Congress

RE THERE IS A BETTER FAIRER WAY. An Alternative Economic Vision for Ireland - INVITATION TO A LECTURE AND DEBATE BY MR WILL HUTTON

Dear Colleague

Congress is hosting a lecture and debate by Mr Will Hutton on Wednesday, 12 May, 2010 at 7pm in the Liberty Hall Theatre.

Mr Hutton, who is Executive Vice Chair at the Work Foundation in Britain, is a recognised economic and policy analyst and former editor-in-chief for *The Observer*. He has written several best-selling books including *The World We're In, The State to Come, The Stakeholding Society* and *On The Edge*.

The outline for the lecture and debate is as follows:

7.00 - 7.10pm:

Welcome, and introduction of Mr Will Hutton by the Chair for

the evening, Mr Jack O'Connor, President of the Irish Congress

of Trade Unions

7.10 - 7.50pm:

Address by Mr Will Hutton

7.50 - 8.10pm:

Respondents: Ms Joan Burton, TD, and Deputy Leader of the

Labour Party and Finance Spokesperson

Ms Paula Clancy, Director of TASC

Mr David Begg, General Secretary of ICTU

8.10 - 8.55pm:

Q&A Session with the Audience

8.55 - 9.00pm:

Closing remarks and vote of thanks to Mr Will Hutton by Chair.

The event is by 'invitation only' and I would encourage all affiliated organisations to send as many people as possible to this event which is free of charge. Please request tickets from my colleague, Ms Eileen Sweeney via:

Telephone: 01 8897725 or by email: eileen.sweeney@ictu.ie before 20 April, 2010.

Yours sincerely

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