



## Turning the Country Blue

Help highlight World Polio Day in Ireland  
by illuminating your building **blue** this October 24th!



*Members of Post Polio Support Group, with then Lord Mayor, Criona Ni Dhálaigh, at the Mansion House Dublin, lit blue during World Polio Week 2015.*



*Kilkenny Castle, World Polio Day 2015*



*Cork City Hall, World Polio Day 2015*



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*Post Polio Support Group member Pat McGillion in an Irish Times Photo of the Week, pictured at the Mansion House Dublin, World Polio Week 2015.*

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**Join the list of iconic buildings around the world that are helping to Celebrate World Polio Day.**

**Buildings will be illuminated in blue, the colour often used by Polio Support Organisations, throughout the European Polio Union.**

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*The British Polio Fellowship has arranged for these buildings to participate:*

*Gateshead Millennium Bridge*

*McCaig's Tower in Oban, UK*

*Falkirk Wheel*

*Belfast Castle*

*It is reported that Norway, Sweden, Denmark & Switzerland will also be participating, all fellow member associations of European Polio Union*

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**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

***See the following page for technical information***

*To join us in supporting awareness for Polio Survivors worldwide, please contact Emma Clarke Conway on (01) 8898920 or DO@ppsg.ie*

## How you can *Blue your Building*



### Blue your Building for World Polio Day 2016 - here are a few tips:

#### **LED**

LED has become extremely popular in recent years with an explosion of colour-changing buildings in the city, including the Convention Centre and National Concert Hall. Luckily, if your building is fitted with colour-changing LED lights, then *Turning your Building Blue* for World Polio Day could be as simple as pushing a button. Please talk to your electrician.

#### **SON (High Pressure Sodium)**

SONs are a very popular type of architectural light and are seen on buildings all over the city including Trinity College and Bank of Ireland at College Green. Also used in streetlights, they produce a warm orange colour. Unfortunately because of this, it makes it very difficult to change this orange to another colour using colour gels or filters. However, there is a type of bulb available that simply retro fits into the existing lamps, called a Metal Halide which is available in blue. Contact your local electrical wholesaler for more information. Brands available in Ireland in blue include 'Venture' and 'Colorlite'.

#### **Metal Halides**

Metal Halides are similar to SON lamps, but produce a cool white colour. As seen with the SON lamp, there is a special blue bulb version available. If you already have white light metal halides on your premises, you can change their colour with blue gels for minimal cost.

#### **Blue Gel/Colour Filter**

Colour Filters or Gels are a specialised, heat-resistant, coloured plastic used mainly in theatre and stage lighting, with 1000s of shades available. Gels can be put on any white light source, including fluorescent tubes. It is a simple cost-effective solution for bluing your building. Gels are available from theatrical lighting suppliers like SLC Dublin, (01) 6773044.