Are you attending an Irish course at Oideas Gael in Summer 2014?

Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge (**TEG**) and Oideas Gael have once again joined forces to offer Oideas Gael course participants the opportunity to gain **TEG** certification of their oral language skills.

Why?

TEG is the first and only system of certification for adult learners of Irish. The **TEG** system has been in place since 2005 and exams have been taken by almost 3000 adult learners of Irish both in Ireland and abroad. Through the Oideas Gael language immersion programmes, learners make much progress in the time that they spend there and the incentive of taking an exam at the end of a course will serve as an extra incentive to focus on essential oral language skills.

What will the TEG exam at Oideas Gael involve?

TEG examiners will come to Gleann Cholm Cille on 12 July & 26 July to conduct oral exams. Students attending courses in the weeks preceding these dates will have the option of taking an exam at one of four levels. Students who pass the oral exam will be awarded with a Teastas Eorpach na Gaeilge certificate (partial certification of oral language skills).

What level should I choose?

Exams will be available at the following levels:

- Bonnleibhéal 1 (A1)
- Bonnleibhéal 2 (A2)
- Meánleibhéal 1 (B1)
- Meánleibhéal 2 (B2)

Advice regarding the most suitable exam level for you will be available from Oideas Gael teachers and from the *TEG* team.

Sheila Scott, a learner of Irish in Canada took the TEG A1 exam two years ago. "As a learner of Irish in Canada, I find that opportunities to speak with fluent speakers can be very limited and it is always difficult to gauge my level of progress in speaking. The TEG oral exam provides you with a structured set of activities that are realistic and fun. It also provides you with critical feedback. I was over the moon with my result. I am now very motivated to continue working on my Irish language skills so that I am ready to do A2 next summer."

How do I register for the exam?

Go directly to <u>www.teg.ie/OG_foirm/OG_application.htm</u> to register for the exam. **Exam fee: €50**

For all information pertaining to the **TEG** exams, please see <u>www.teg.ie</u>. Please direct all **TEG** exam queries to <u>teanga@nuim.ie</u> or 01 7086417.