

ANDY POLLAK'S CV

**Writer, editor and expert on North-South Cooperation in Ireland
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EMPLOYMENT

- 1999-2013 (July) Founding director, The Centre for Cross Border Studies, Armagh and Dublin; Secretary, Universities Ireland (2003-2013); Secretary, Standing Conference on Teacher Education, North and South (SCoTENS)(2003-2013); Administrative Leader, The Irish-African Partnership for Research Capacity Building (nine Irish universities working together with four African universities)(2007-2011)
- 1986-1999 Reporter, assistant news editor, news features editor, religious affairs correspondent and education correspondent, *The Irish Times*, Dublin
- 1998 Press officer, The 'Yes' Campaign (independent referendum campaign in support of the 1998 Belfast Agreement)(on leave of absence from *The Irish Times*)
- 1992-1993 Co-ordinator, The Opsahl Commission (independent international commission examining ways forward for Northern Ireland)(on leave of absence from *The Irish Times*). Editor of *A Citizens Inquiry: The Opsahl Report on Northern Ireland* (Lilliput 1993)
- 1981-1985 Reporter, *The Irish Times*, Belfast, and editor, *Fortnight* magazine, Belfast (winner: Ewart-Biggs Memorial Prize, 1982; Magazine of the Year, *Hibernia* media awards, 1984)
- 1978-1981 Television and radio reporter, BBC Northern Ireland, Belfast
- 1977-1978 Freelance journalist, Mexico and Central America
- 1976-1977 Joint editor, *Latin American Newsletters*, London
- 1974-1975 Sub-editor, *The Irish Times*, Dublin
- 1972-1974 Editorial Assistant, *Hibernia* magazine, Dublin
- 1969-1972 Travelling and working in England, France, Canada and Latin America

EDUCATION

- 1966-1969 BA (Hons) in history, University of Sussex, England

PUBLICATIONS

- 2007 Chapter on educational co-operation in *Crossing the Border: New Relationships between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland*. Eds. John Coakley and Liam O'Dowd (Irish Academic Press, Dublin)
- 2001 Editor of 'Cross Currents' series of books of North-South essays: *Multiculturalism: The View from the Two Irelands; Towards a Culture of Human Rights in Ireland; Can the Celtic Tiger cross the Irish Border?* (Cork University Press)
- 1997 Editor: *A Part of Ireland Now: 10 Refugee Stories* (The Refugee Agency, Dublin).
- 1993 Editor: *A Citizens Inquiry: The Opsahl Report on Northern Ireland* (Lilliput, Dublin)
- 1986 Co-author (with Ed Moloney) of *Paisley*, a political biography of Rev Ian Paisley (Poolbeg, Dublin)

RECENT RESEARCH PROJECTS COMPLETED

- 2013 Study on the Potential for Cross-Border Exchange and Learning about Change in the Community and Voluntary Sectors in Northern Ireland and Republic of Ireland (with Brian Harvey; for Building Change Trust)
- 2012 Study to identify and explore current Political and Civil Society Connections between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland in areas of concern to the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust
- 2011 Third review of the 2008 study of postgraduate flows from the Republic of Ireland to Northern Ireland (for Irish Department of Education and Skills)
- 2011 Study of Obstacles to Cross-Border Undergraduate Education (for IBEC-CBI Joint Business Council)
- 2010 Study of North-South Cooperation in the Education Sector (for NI Department of Education and Irish Department of Education and Skills)
- 2008 Study of postgraduate flows from the Republic of Ireland to Northern Ireland (for Irish Department of Education and Science)
- 2007 How the Trade Union Movement can become more involved and influential in North-South Cooperation (for the Northern Ireland office of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions)
- 2007 A review of policy recommendations from the five research projects commissioned by the Higher Education Authority under the 2004-2006 Cross-Border Programme for Research contributing to Peace and Reconciliation: Inter-generational transmission and ethno-national identity in border areas; Equality and social inclusion; Mapping Frontiers, Plotting Pathways; E-consultation; and Virtual Research Centre for Point-of-Care Technology.