

## BALLOT FOR POSITION OF TUI PRESIDENT -CANDIDATE PROFILE

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## **MARTIN MARJORAM**

I have a clear vision for TUI. If elected President, I will lead a robust campaigning union that takes its policy direction from you the members.

I serve on TUI's Executive Committee representing 5 branches in Area 15.1 have 13 years' experience as a Branch Officer, including 10 as Branch Chair and 3 as Chair of TUI's Colleges Advisory Council. I have always put members first and argued for an open democratic TUI, notably through my speeches, motions and progressive rule changes at TUI Congress.

A classroom teacher for 25 years, I have never had nor wanted any other job. On education's front line, I understand the crushing workload affecting members. Before and since my election to the Executive I have been involved in TUI's different sectors: campaigning against increased PTR in PLC colleges, playing a key role in initiating and maintaining industrial action on the Junior Cycle, formulating many policies at third level and twice winning unanimous Congress support for industrial action in defence of new colleagues' pay (democratic decisions in 2011 and 2012 which regrettably were never implemented).

I worked with TUI members from all sectors, and colleagues from 10 other unions, as Chair of the successful grassroots "No to Croke Park 2" Campaign. In that role I led the only protest against the passage of FEMPI 2013, the worst anti-union legislation in Ireland's history.

Members can have confidence in my leadership experience and record of developing policy and strategy.TUI must seize the opportunity to make progress as Haddington Road ends and a much weaker Government takes office.

If elected, I will work to:

- Lead a democratic TUI that listens to members.
- Remove additional working hours (including "flex", Croke Park and the extra 2 hours per week for many members).
- Achieve equal pay for equal work.
- Restore pay and pensions.
- Improve TUI representation for Further and Adult Education, Youthreach, VTOS, BTEI and achieve better outcomes for members.
- Have FEMPI legislation repealed.
- End casualization.
- Restore middle management.
- Give firm guidance to full-time officials.
- Maintain national action against the Technological Universities Bill.
- Enhance and protect apprentice education.
- Make TUI participation family friendly.
- Uphold a properly funded education system as a public and social good.

Vote Martin Marjoram for leadership that makes a real difference!

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Ballot material will be posted out to all centres on Monday, May 9th 2016. Completed ballot papers must be returned to auditors Deloitte by 5pm, Tuesday, May 24th 2016.

