

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Declan Purcell

Declan Purcell was appointed by the Irish Government in April 1998 as a full-time Board Member of the Irish Competition Authority, and is currently serving a third term as a Member. He previously served in the Irish Ministry of Enterprise, Trade and Employment in a wide range of management positions. Over a 20-year period, these included responsibility for national policy development in relation to industry, consumer protection, human resource development and company law.

Declan directs the Competition Authority's Advocacy Division. The Division monitors, studies, and advises the Government on, competition policy, and advocates the removal of unnecessary or disproportionate restrictions on competition. The Division also seeks to raise awareness and understanding of the benefits of competition across the economy.

He holds an MSc in Economic Policy Studies from Trinity College Dublin.