**The Beckett International Foundation at the University of Reading is pleased to announce that the next Beckett Research Seminar will take place on Saturday, 24 November 2018.**

The event will be held in the Conference Room of Special Collections, University of Reading, the Museum of English Rural Life, Redlands Road, Reading.

As in previous years, our speakers represent a mixture of research students as well as established scholars, local and international, reflecting current research into Beckett's work. We hope that the programme will, as in the past, attract a wide and varied audience.

The charge for the day is £25 per participant (£15 unwaged), which includes lunch and refreshments throughout the day. Please note that parking facilities are available at the venue.

Tickets can be purchased on the door on the morning of the seminar, but we **need to know numbers for catering so please email me (****m.nixon@reading.ac.uk****) by Thursday 15 November if you wish to attend**. As such please also let me know whether you have any dietary requirements. We look forward to seeing you there.

**For further information, please contact:** Dr Mark Nixon – m.nixon@reading.ac.uk

**Programme**

10.30 – 11.00: Registration / Welcome

11.00 – 11.30: Julie Bates (Trinity College Dublin): ‘Stylish failure: Traces of Beckett in Contemporary Irish Writing’

11.30 – 12.00 Discussion

12.00 – 12.15: Tea / Coffee Break

12.15 – 12.45: Pim Verhulst (University of Antwerp): ‘“Out of sympathy with English Listeners”: Beckett’s *The Old Tune* and the Cultural Politics of the BBC Third Programme’

12.45 – 1.15: Discussion

1.15 – 2.15: Lunch

2.15 – 2.45: Lucy Jeffery: ‘Going Green: An ecocritical reading of Beckett’s Landscapes in the Novellas’

2.45 – 3.15: Discussion

3.15 – 3.30: Tea / Coffee Break

3.30 – 4.00: Shane Weller (University of Kent): ‘Beckett and Nationalism’

4.00 – 4.30: Discussion