



Fran Glancy
Drinking Water Compliance Analyst

Fran Glancy studied Earth and Ocean Science in NUI Galway and is a Drinking Water Compliance Analyst in the Eastern/Midlands Environmental Regulation team in Irish Water. His role is to ensure that the water customers in Louth, Meath and South Dublin receive complies with drinking water regulations.

Speaking about his role, Fran says, “My job gives me the opportunity to contribute to business decisions which lead to an improvement in the quality of something as fundamental as drinking water. I moved back to Ireland from abroad for this job and I enjoy the challenge and responsibility of my role. It’s a role that involves close collaboration with local authorities, the Health Service Executive (HSE) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and brings with it a lot of responsibility. My role is about safeguarding the water supply for homes and businesses in Louth and Meath.

“Drinking, cooking, washing, bathing – we use water in so many ways. We take raw water and put it through a complex treatment process so you can use it safely every day. We process around 1.9 billion litres of water every single day”

Speaking about why science interested him as a career, Fran said: “I was interested

in the outdoors and the environment from an early age as home is on the family farm in Roscommon. The ability to work in a range of environments and a general interest in the outdoors lead me down the environmental science path.

“I like to understand the detail behind environmental processes – from an early age I wanted to learn how things worked. No doubt there were a lot of ‘why though?’ questions to my parents and older siblings as a child! If you have an interest in science, never lose that inquisitive nature that brought you into science in the first place.”