

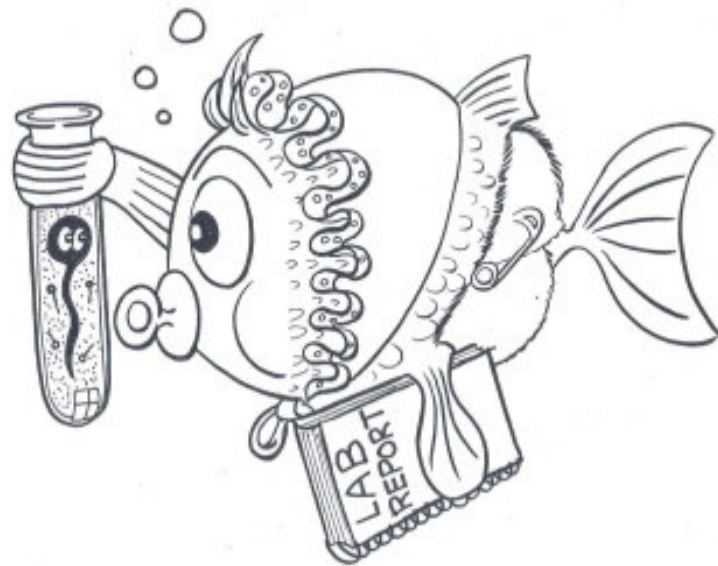


# EuYmast Forum:

*Towards a European Young Marine Scientist & Technologist Forum*

Early Stage

## Why a ~~Young~~ Researchers Forum?



Geoffrey O'Sullivan ("young at heart"),  
Marine Institute, Ireland

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# Why a Young Researchers Forum ?

Many young researchers, in the final years of a PhD or the first years of a post-doc, are more concerned with the minutiae of the topic of their research than where it fits into the wider research agenda.

Yet, it is within the wider research and science policy agenda they you will secure employment, carve a career and build a life.



A Job



A Career



A Life

We are planning the future – where are you?



# Nothing is more powerful than a single unified voice

Employment  
conditions

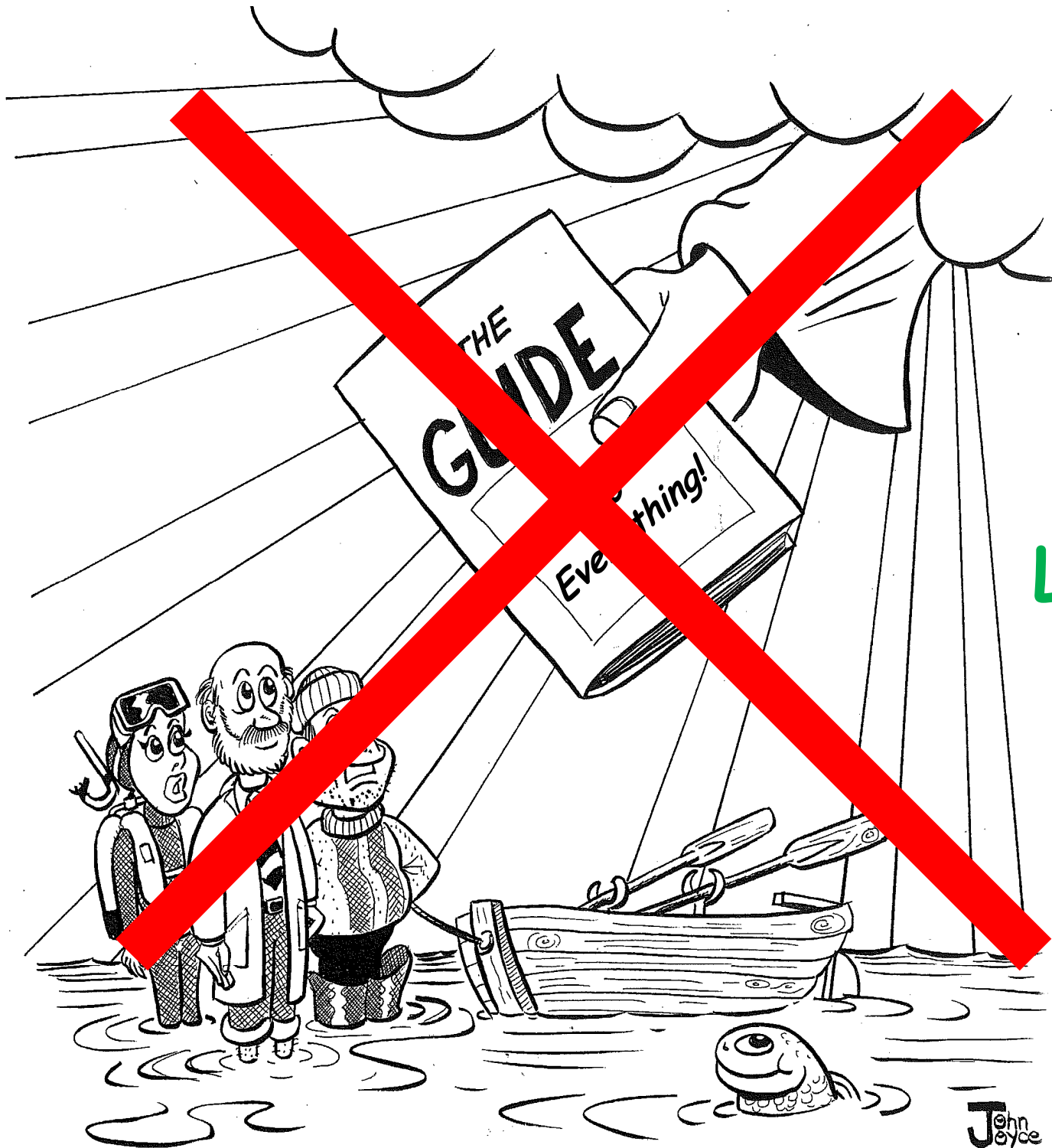
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Career supports



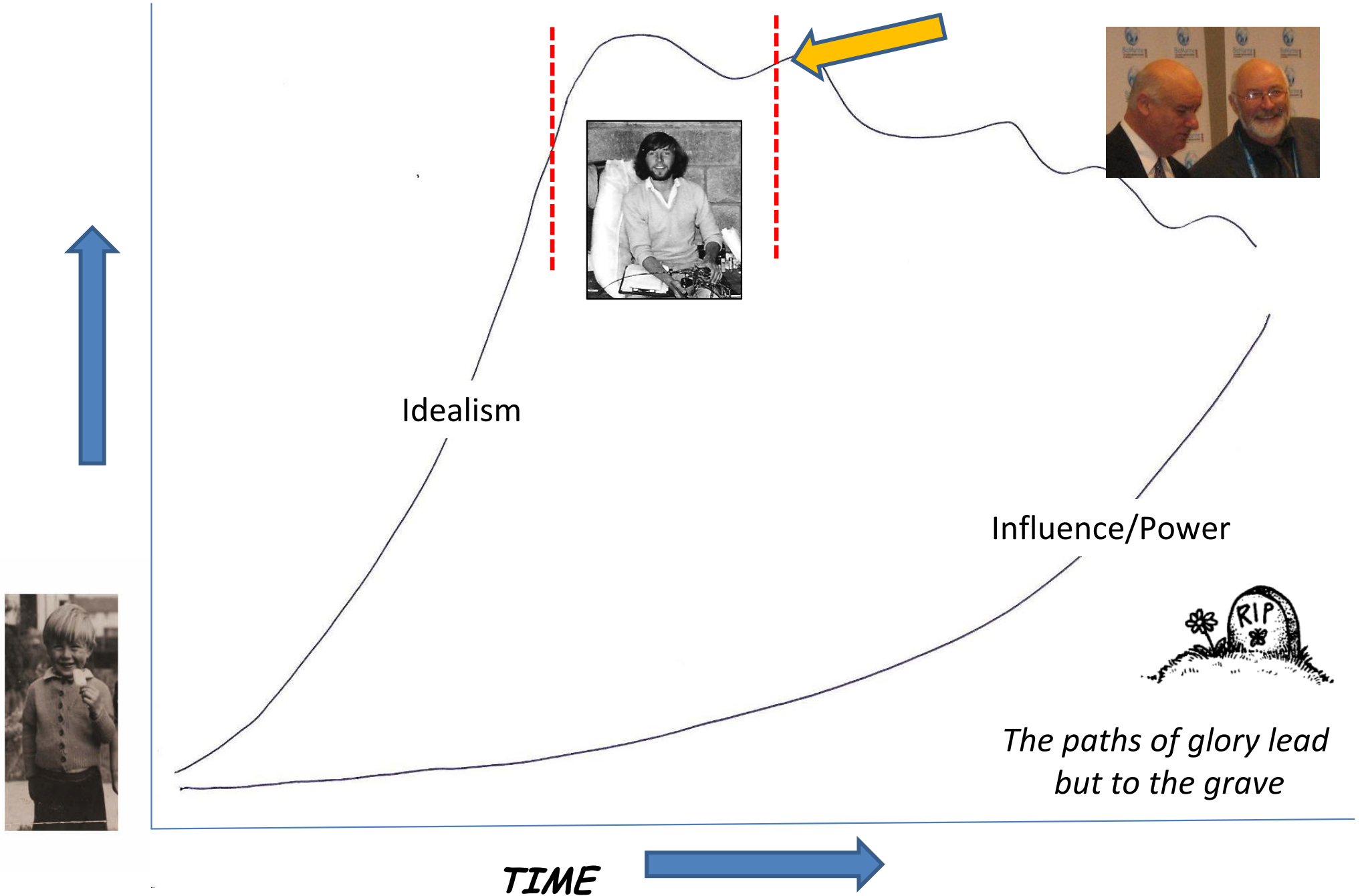
***BUT REMEMBER: ONE VOICE - ONE MESSAGE***





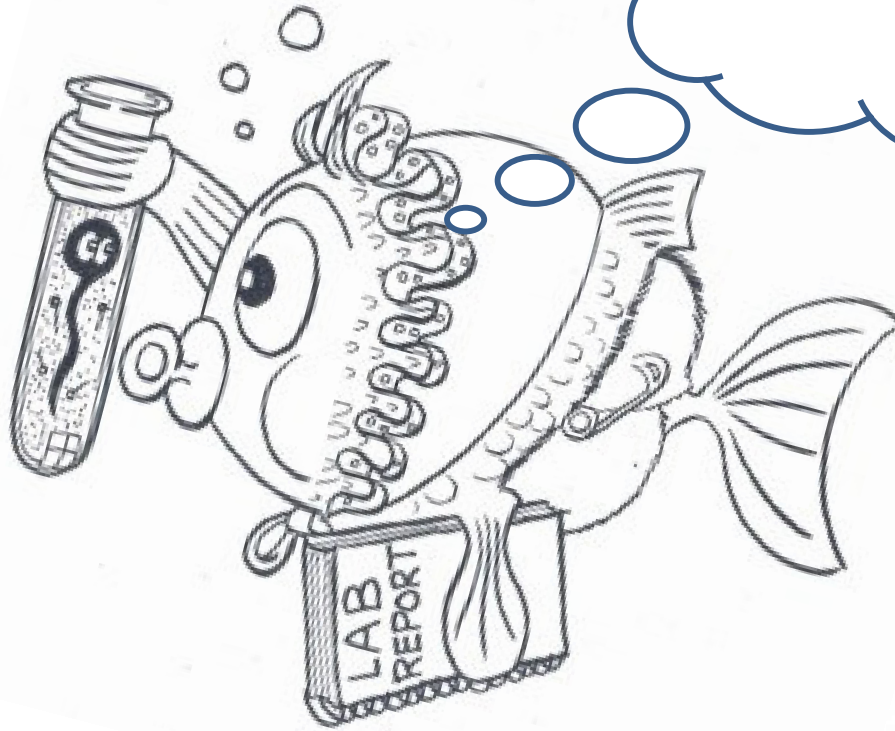
Learn  
by  
doing

# My Theory of the Cycle of Life, the World and Everything



# Friend or Foe?

Life, the World,  
Everything



Idealism of youth + Influence of age  
=  
A Powerful Force



# *“I Have a Dream”*

Martin Luther King (1929 – 1968)



Commissioner Borg



Commissioner Damanaki

*“A dynamic maritime economy in harmony with the marine environment, supported by sound marine science and technology, which allows human beings to continue to reap the rich harvest from the oceans in a sustainable manner”*



Maritime Affairs



# You must also have a Dream!

**John F. Kennedy (1917 – 1963)** – paraphrasing Irishman George Bernard Shaw



*Some people see things and ask why? - But I dream things and say why not?*

**The Rocky Horror Picture Show**

*Don't dream it – be it*



# Patience and Perseverance

*Not a characteristic of the young*

*Roma non fu fatto in un giorno*

## Gaelic Athletic Association (GAA: 1884 -

Invite to 60 – 7 attended (1884)

Over 1 million members (2010)

Major stadium / many local clubs





# Your future is in your hands



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