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Instructions: **Answer three questions, one from each section. You cannot answer a question on the topic that you addressed in your essay. Please use a separate answer book for each section.**

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Requirements:

MCQ

Handout

Statistical Tables

Graph Paper

Log Graph Paper

Other Material

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Section A

- A1. Under international law, States must treat refugees differently from other immigrants. However, industrialized countries increasingly blur the distinction between the two groups. Discuss. (Ciara Smyth)
- A2. Discuss the potential significance of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights, both politically and legally (Laurent Pech)
- A3. "The claim that judicial activism in the sphere of socio-economic rights would undermine democracy and that those advocating such activism have contempt for democracy is without foundation." Discuss. (Donncha O'Connell)

Section B

- B1. Why implement a Carbon Tax? What is the impact on Ireland? (Cathal O'Donoghue)
- B2. Discuss "strong sustainability" and "weak sustainability" and evaluate these terms in the context of sustainable development. (Thomas Van Rensberg)
- B3. One of the most popular methods to describe the demand for the services of recreation facilities is the "travel cost method". Briefly describe the logic underlying this method. Why would this method be particularly suitable if we wanted to estimate the demand for activities such as hill-walking in Connemara or mountain biking in a Coillte owned forest park? (Stephen Hynes)

Section C

- C1. How can we observe and measure the effects of place on health and well-being? (Michelle Millar)
- C2. The study of 'youth transitions' has proven a problematic area for researchers. Discuss the factors that contribute towards this problem and how attempts have been made to provide new insights to 'youth transitions'. (Brian McGrath)
- C3. How best can family support be provided from a policy perspective? (Pat Dolan)