## **Mr. M.J. Nolan**Treasurer & Board Member AirQualityAsia

M.J. Nolan was a member of the Irish Parliament for twenty four years retiring in 2011. During his parliamentary career he served as a member of Parliament's Foreign Affairs and European Affairs committees, Public Accounts committee, whip of the Parliament's Finance committee which scrutinises all money legislation going through the houses of parliament including the annual budget and Finance Bill. He also served as chair of the parliament's joint committee on Communications, Energy and Natural Resources and as chair of the joint committee on Sports and Rural Affairs. He was a member of Parliaments House Commission which oversees the running of Parliament buildings and member's interest.

He represented Ireland on the Parliamentary assembly to the OSCE and was also was one of the Irish representatives to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe. He represented the Irish Parliament a number of the IPU annual conferences.

He was one of the Irish Parliaments delegates to the Parliamentarians for Global Action Organisation from 1987. As a member of PGA he acted as treasurer for three years. As treasurer one of his responsibilities was to negotiate funding, on behalf of PGA, with donor organisations and Governments. Key donors, such as the European Commission, necessitated significant investment in time and energy on behalf of the PGA with talks taking place at the level of Commissioner.

Prior to being elected to parliament Mr Nolan served as an elected member of a number of local and regional authorities including, Muinebheag Town Council, Carlow County Council and Carlow Town Council, mayor of the latter in 1986.