

## **Quaid, Kevin**European Working Group of People with Dementia



Kevin is 62 years old and married to Helena. He was first diagnosed with Parkinson's, just over 11 years ago, then later diagnosed with Lewy Body Dementia also.

Kevin is the current Chair of the Irish Dementia Working Group, the Chair of the European Working Group of People With Dementia, on the board of Alzheimer Europe, he is the Co-founder of Lewy Body Ireland. Kevin is also a member of the Dementia Research Advisory Team as well as Dementia Trials Ireland He is very involved in various research projects not just in Ireland but also across Europe as an Expert by experience and is the Author of two books about Lewy body dementia. Kevin´s first book was 'Lewy Body Dementia Survival and Me'. He has published his second book titled 'I am KEVIN not Lewy' and is now writing his third book. Kevin is also a motivational speaker and talks about becoming your own leader and looking for and finding the positives and passion in your life, Kevin has spoken at many conferences internationally as well as in Ireland and to many sports organisations and companies.

Kevin was presented in 2022 with 'The Presidential Award' from Longford International College Ireland, for "his outstanding achievements in bringing awareness of Lewy Body Dementia not just in Ireland but globally too" and in November 2023 Kevin was awarded an Horary Doctorate of Philosophy by the Rushford College and the Longford international College.