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The Colmcille Small Grants Scheme 2021

Colmcille is a partnership between Foras na Gaeilge in Ireland and Bòrd na Gàidhlig in Scotland. Colmcille aims to foster interaction and cooperation between speakers of Irish Gaelic and speakers of Scottish Gaelic, and to strengthen the two language communities.

Maximum available €1,800

Colmcille has three funding schemes

1. The small grants scheme for carrying out research and for planning joint initiatives
2. The grants scheme for funding projects (the main Colmcille grants scheme)
3. The bursaries scheme to help people learn Scottish Gaelic

If you want to develop an initiative with a partner in Scotland, or which will be connected to Scottish Gaelic, this small grants scheme (scheme 1 above) is to help develop joint initiatives and partnership. When the partnership and an initiative plan have been agreed under this small grants scheme, an application can be made to the Colmcille Grants Scheme (scheme 2 above, the main Colmcille grants scheme), which gives a higher level of support, if that is needed.

How to Apply

Deadline: 7 Dec 2021

Full details here

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Erasmus+ Programme

Erasmus+ is the EU's programme to support education, training, youth and sport in Europe.

It has an estimated budget of €26.2 billion. This is nearly double the funding compared to its predecessor programme (2014-2020).

The 2021-2027 programme places a strong focus on social inclusion, the green and digital transitions, and promoting young people's participation in democratic life.

It supports priorities and activities set out in the European Education Area, Digital Education Action Plan and the European Skills Agenda. The programme also:

- supports the European Pillar of Social Rights
- implements the EU Youth Strategy 2019-2027
- develops the European dimension in sport.

Erasmus+ offers mobility and cooperation opportunities in:

- higher education
- vocational education and training
- school education (including early childhood education and care)
- adult education
- youth
- and sport

Detailed information on these opportunities, including eligibility criteria, is available in the Erasmus+ Programme Guide.

The outcomes of Erasmus+ are available in reports and compendia of statistics, as well as through the Erasmus+ Projects Platform. This includes most of the initiatives funded by the programme and a selection of good practices and success stories.

How to Apply

Current calls:

ERASMUS+ - Civil Society Cooperation: Education and Training

This call aims to provide structural support, referred to as operating grants, to European non-governmental organisations (ENGOs) and EU-wide networks active in the field education and training.

Deadline: 15 December 2021

FULL DETAILS

ERASMUS+ - Civil Society Cooperation in the field of Youth

This call aims to provide structural support, referred to as operating grants, to European non-governmental organisations (ENGOs) and EU-wide networks active in the field youth.

Deadline: 15 December 2021

FULL DETAILS

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Ploughshare Fund

Ploughshares Fund supports organizations and individuals working to build a safe, secure, nuclear weapons-free world. Please read our Funding Priorities to determine if your project fits into our areas of interest.

Ploughshares Fund is unique in that we place very few restrictions on our grantmaking:

- *There are no geographical limitations on our grants.*
- We are able to fund direct lobbying programs.
- We make grants to individuals.
- We encourage women and people from diverse communities to apply.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Ploughshares Fund is committed to ensuring our grantmaking contributes to a more diverse, equitable, inclusive, and accessible (DEIA) nuclear field. As part of this commitment, we have updated all of our applications for funding to include a new set of questions related to DEIA based on the values that underpin our work. Any information provided will be maintained in a strictly confidential manner and is voluntary to provide. Choosing not to answer these questions will not negatively affect the outcome of your application for funding. We are gathering this information to gain a better understanding of the projects we fund. Instructions related to the specific questions can be found within our applications.

How to Apply

Full details available here: https://www.ploughshares.org/what-we-fund/applying-grant

In between the three annual board meetings, Ploughshares Fund staff have the ability to make discretionary grants up to $25,000. These discretionary grants are used to support time urgent projects related to our highest priority funding areas, and projects must have a high likelihood of achieving short-term policy impact.

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Fondation Ensemble Small Grants (Threatened Animal Species)

Fondation Ensemble is a private foundation created by Gérard Brémond and Jacqueline Délia-Brémond, who had long cherished the idea of being actively involved in public interest work. Their children, Delphine, Nathalie and Olivier, share their enthusiasm and support the initiative.

Criteria

The Fondation Ensemble funds projects run by small organizations, in its areas of activity.

- Your project contributes to protecting one or more threatened animal species according to the IUCN classification ('vulnerable' or more).
- The duration of the grant requested is from one to two years.
- The funding requested does not exceed € 10 000.
- The funding requested does not exceed 50% of the total project budget.

Additional Criteria

- Your project is in line with national strategy in the country of intervention.
- The project is participatory and partnership-based: it is implemented in conjunction with recognized local and/or international partners and fosters capacity building.
- The project activities are concrete and sustainable, with measurable results.
- Your application contains a detailed overall budget (in euros), indicating the costs to be covered by Fondation Ensemble, including administrative costs (10% maximum) that incorporate head office support costs.
- Your application indicates the names of all donors and their confirmed or expected contributions.
- The proposal must be written in French or in English.
- Your organization must have been in existence for at least two full years.
- For 'Threatened Animal Species' small grants projects, there are no country restrictions.

How to Apply

Deadline: 15 Dec 2021 (note: this is the estimated opening date – please monitor website for updates)

Learn more here.

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BAI - Sound & Vision 4

Sound & Vision 4 is a funding scheme for television and radio programmes, funded through the television licence fee.

Scheme basics

- The Scheme is financed from the Broadcast Fund which comprises 7% of the annual net receipts from television license fees.
- The BAI has been assigned the responsibility of administering this fund.
- The BAI Archiving Scheme is also financed from the Broadcast Fund.
- The BAI will generally allocate funding using a funding rounds system.
- For each round, the BAI determines the closing time and date; the types of applications that can be submitted and the amount of funding available.

Scheme objectives:

- Develop high quality programmes based on Irish culture, heritage and experience;
- Develop these programmes in the Irish language;
- Increase the availability of programmes referred to above to audiences in the State;
- Represent the diversity of Irish culture and heritage;
- Record oral Irish heritage and aspects of Irish heritage which are disappearing, under threat, or have not been previously recorded, and;
- Develop local and community broadcasting.

To achieve these objectives, the Scheme offers grant funding to new television and radio programmes which deal with the themes of:

- Irish culture, heritage and experience;
- Improving adult or media literacy;
- Raising public awareness and understanding of global issues impacting on the State and countries other than the State; and/or
- Any of the above in the Irish language.

How to Apply

Deadline: 16 Dec 2021 (round 42)

Visit the BAI website for full guidelines and application details.

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Irish Youth Foundation - Skills & Employability Fund 2021

The Irish Youth Foundation, in partnership with a new corporate partner, is providing €100,000 to fund not for profit, voluntary and charitable organisations supporting young people experiencing disadvantage nationwide.

This fund will offer grants to projects and programmes that support young people who are currently not in education, training or employment to successfully transition into skills based opportunities, mentorship opportunities, further learning opportunities and employment opportunities.

Awards of up to €5,000 and €10,000 will be available.

Criteria

The fund will have a strong focus on, but is not limited to, those who do not want to return to formal education but are eager to join the work force, and are lacking the technical and personal skill set to gain meaningful employment.

The partnership will address the following key issues facing these young people:

A lack of basic technical skills e.g. formal skills training
A lack of relevant life skills e.g. CV preparation, interview technique, self-esteem.

Eligibility

To be eligible the applying organisation must;

- Work with young people aged between 15-24 years old
- Be a registered not-for-profit or charitable organisation
- Have a bank account set up in the name of the organisation
- Be registered in the Republic of Ireland and active in Ireland for the past 12 months
- Have a child protection policy in place.

How to Apply

Deadline: 16 Dec 2021

To learn more about this opportunity, please visit the Irish Youth Foundation website.

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Ecclesiastical - 12 Days of Giving

Hopes for the future can be changed in under a fortnight!

For 12 days – as part of our movement for good – we will be making £120,000 in donations to charities to help them deliver their vital work.

You can make a difference

By nominating a registered charity, not-for-profit organisations, or community interest company in the UK, Republic of Ireland, Channel Islands or Isle of Man, you are entering them in for the chance to win £1,000 and potentially changing lives.

We know from previous winners what a huge difference £1,000 and your support can make.

Anyone can nominate

We'll draw 10 winners at random each weekday and nominations will remain open until midnight the day before each draw. Draws will take place each weekday from 6 – 21 December 2021.

Doing something good is easy!

We're proud to be giving back to the communities we serve, but it's made so much better when we're building a movement for good with you. We know how busy life can get, so we've made making a difference as simple as possible. By championing the issues and causes close to your heart you are helping make a real difference.

How to Apply / Nominate

Deadline: 20 Dec 2021

Visit the Movement for Good website to nominate a charity today.

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EPA - Event Support Grants

The Environmental Protection Agency provides funding to support science, technology, research and innovation projects through grant-aid to third level institutions, state agencies, government departments, local and regional authorities, the private sector and individuals.

The EPA Research Programme will consider applications for the financial support of small workshops, seminars, and other events which showcase current Irish research by the organisers and EPA funded groups. Applications must meet the following criteria:

The amount of funding per event will not exceed €3,000.
Funding is not provided for large-scale events, conferences, symposiums, festivals etc.
Funding is only provided for events with a clear relevance to Irish environmental research priorities and on the condition that the events are run on a not-for-profit basis.
The event should target other researchers working in the area and the expected end-users of the research (e.g. local authorities, EPA, government departments, industry, academia, etc.).

How to Apply

Deadline: 31 Dec 2021

Full details are available on the EPA website.

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The Hospital Saturday Fund Charity

The Hospital Saturday Fund was founded in 1873, at a time when poverty, overcrowding and ill-health were prevalent and little help was available for those needing costly hospital care.

Eligibility

Which organisations may apply?

The Hospital Saturday Fund will consider giving grants to registered medical health charities within the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland.

The Hospital Saturday Fund has two grant categories: - Standard grants of up to £2,000 or €3,000 OR - Large grants to up to £10,000 or €13,500 (please note this is the maximum sum that HSF will grant). Large grant applications should be towards specific projects, research or equipment rather than running costs. Organisations may make one application for a meeting and can apply for a standard or a large grant. The Grant Making Committee (GMC) meets quarterly.

What Support is Available?

For medically related charities, hospitals, hospices and medical clinics:
The Hospital Saturday Fund will consider giving grants towards medical capital projects, medical care or research and in support of medical training. The Hospital Saturday Fund will also consider grants for running costs.

How to Apply

Deadline: 4 Jan 2022

Full guidelines and access to online applications are available here.

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Pilot Projects & Preparatory Actions: Developing a strategic research, innovation and implementation agenda and a roadmap for achieving full digital language equality in Europe by 2030

Pilot projects (PP) and Preparatory Actions (PA) introduce new initiatives that might turn into standing EU funding programmes.

This call is a continuation of the pilot project on the digital language equality launched under 2020 work programme.

Overview
The European Union has 24 official languages, in addition to many regional languages, as well as those of minorities, migrants and important international trade partners. Several studies have found a striking imbalance in terms of digital language technologies. Only a few languages, such as English, French and Spanish, are well supported in the digital domain, while more than 20 official languages as well as regional and minority languages are considered to be in danger of digital extinction. European human language technologies have the potential to overcome this linguistic divide in the digital sphere, but need a strategic research and implementation agenda (SRIA) and roadmap defining tools, processes, actions and actors that need to be involved.

Building on the results of the first pilot project, in particular the developed SRIA, the specific objectives of this pilot project are the following:

- to maintain and further define the strategic research and implementation agenda for achieving full digital language equality in Europe by 2030 developed in the first pilot project funded on the basis of 2020 work programme;
- to strengthen the engagement and dissemination effort towards stakeholders who can contribute to or benefit from the developed agenda;
- to document stakeholder commitment to the implementation of the agenda;
- to provide incentives to stakeholders in user industries to implement language technologies based on the SRIA.

Activities to be funded:

- cooperation projects;
- awareness and dissemination actions;
- actions aiming at the creation and improvement of networks, exchanges of good practices;

- desk research, consultations, surveys, studies, analyses, mapping projects;
- research activities;
- project website;
- putting together best practice examples, preparation and publishing of ready-to-use guidelines;
- financial support to third parties.

Eligibility

Only applications from legal entities established in the EU Member States are eligible. Proposals may be submitted by any of the following applicants or combinations of:

- non-profit organisation (private or public);
- public authorities (national, regional, local);
- international organisations;
- universities and academia;
- research centres;
- profit making entities.

Consortium Composition

In order to be eligible, a proposal must be submitted by a consortium composed of at least 3 legal entities from at least 2 different eligible countries.

Budget

The maximum grant will be EUR 1 000 000 and the Commission expects to fund 1 proposal.

Project duration

The maximum duration of the project is 12 months.

How to Apply

Deadline: 6 Jan 2022

Full application details and application link can be found here.

Questions and requests for clarification may be sent to: CNECT-G3@ec.europa.eu with a reference to the Call's title CNECT/2021/5038556 – PPPA-LANGEQ-2021.

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EMI Music Sound Foundation Awards & Bursary

The Foundation has to date helped over 7,000 students, schools and teachers improve their access to music through the purchase or upgrade of musical instruments and/or equipment.

Please read the following information before completing an application form.

We Support

- Applications for funding up to £1500 from Schools (teaching the national curriculum) based in the UK and Eire towards the cost of musical resources.

We do not Support

- Music Studios/Businesses
- Private music centres/Music Services
- Community projects
- Staffing costs to cover teaching of the national curriculum or peripatetic music lessons.

Please Note
We do not fund retrospectively and you are not eligible for financial assistance under this scheme if you have already purchased your resources or if you buy them after you submit your application, but before funding has been offered. If you receive funds from another source after submitting your application to the Foundation, please inform us as soon as possible.

Returning Applicants
If you have claimed funding from us before, we ask that you wait for 2 trustee meetings (which take place in March and October) to pass before re-applying.

How to Apply

Deadline: 11 Jan 2022

Full details here.

See also: individual and teacher awards, and college bursaries.

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The Heritage Council - Capacity Fund 2022

The Heritage Capacity Fund (formerly The Heritage Sector Support Fund) aims to support the capacity of organisations, with a demonstrated national relevance, working in the heritage sector by providing funding towards their core costs:

- to build capacity in the heritage sector by developing and strengthening the skills, processes, and resources that heritage organisations need to survive, adapt, and thrive following the Covid-19 pandemic.
- to support heritage organisations who play a key role in the heritage infrastructure ofIreland and are vital to the delivery of national policy and plans.

An allocation of approximately €1,000,000 will be made available in 2021 under this scheme.

The maximum amount available per organisation is €50,000. We envisage the average offers to be in the €15,000 - €30,000 range and that approximately 30 organisations will be supported by this scheme. Funding will be allocated on a competitive basis

Eligibility

Not for profit, heritage-focused organisations with a demonstrated national relevance.

1. The purpose of the organisation must relate to one of the aspects of heritage mentioned in the Heritage Acts 1995, 2018, or organisations engaged in the protection of intangible cultural heritage as part of Ireland's commitments to the 2003 UNESCO Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage.
2. Demonstrated national relevance – the organisation must carry out work that has application at a national scale or, its work is being used to inform policies at a national scale.
3. Work plan- the organisation must be undertaking innovative small to medium scale actions that provide clear outcomes that assist in the delivery of one or more of the following - the Heritage Council's strategic plan 2018 -2022; the National Biodiversity Action Plan; and the emerging national heritage plan Heritage Ireland 2030.

What can organisations can apply for:

Costs to help organisations increase capacity and to deliver on heritage priorities at a national level.

Applicants are asked to provide a costed work plan for 2022 covering at least one of the following:

1. Plans which assist their recovery from the economic impact of the COVID 19 pandemic and that helps organisations become more financially resilient.

2. Initiatives that deliver heritage priorities based on programmes that organizations are running already or to initiate new projects.

Note: The Heritage Council is not proposing that new projects be started to avail of this funding but that existing core programmes can be protected.

Types of actions that could be included in a Programme of Work for 2022:

- Actions that communicate the importance of heritage through advocacy work,
- Actions that support partnership and networking events that address common challenges and needs within the sector.
- Provision of community training, advice and support to increase access to and awareness of heritage
- Actions that promote the practice of conservation to internationally accepted standards through the provision of continuing professional development, professional accreditation, publications, training workshops and bursaries.
- Data collection and research relating to Ireland's heritage that can be used for formulating future policy and advice, training workshops and bursaries.
- Testing and consulting on new activities that will help recovery and diversify your income streams.

How to Apply

Deadline: 11 Jan 2022

Full application guidelines available here.

Please note - the Community Heritage Grant Scheme 2022- will open in January. A separate Community Heritage Grant Scheme will be advertised in January 2022 for community/voluntary and not for profit organisations to apply for funding for heritage projects. Further details will be available in the New Year. Such projects should NOT be applied for under the Heritage Capacity Fund.

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Pobal - KickStart Fund

The objective of KickStart Round 3 is to "Support and encourage new and existing social enterprises to create meaningful jobs for people with criminal convictions, as a stepping stone to mainstream employment" (Working to Change Strategic Area 1: Social Enterprise employment options).

In 2021, the Department of Justice launched its Working to Change: Social Enterprise and Employment Strategy 2021 – 2023. The Probation Service, in collaboration with the Irish Prison Service, are inviting applications from social enterprises in Ireland for Round 3 of the KickStart Fund to support implementation of the Working to Change Strategy under the Dormant Accounts Fund Action Plan 2021.

The Probation Service has appointed Pobal to administer this KickStart Fund (Round 3) on their behalf. A budget of €1m is available to allocate to successful applicants.

Social enterprises can apply for a grant under:

Category A: Feasibility/ Market Research for €5,000 up to €15,000 to carry out a feasibility study or market research to develop or expand their social enterprise to create employment opportunities for people with a criminal conviction. Projects funded under Category A must be completed within a 12 month timeframe between 2nd May 2022 and 30th April 2023.

or

Category B: Jobs Creation Fund for €20,000 up to €50,000 to implement actions that will create or sustain employment opportunities for people with a criminal conviction. Projects funded under Category B must be completed within a 15 month timeframe, between 2nd May 2022 and 31st July 2023.

Due to the limited amount of funding available, organisations are only able to submit one application form; that is, apply for one grant only.

Applicants apply under Category A: Feasibility/Market Research or Category B: Jobs Creation Fund.

All applicants must be able to demonstrate that how their project will contribute to creating or maintaining employment opportunities for people with a criminal conviction who are finding it difficult to secure employment. Creating new employment will be prioritised by the Fund over maintaining a current employee in a new and more advanced role. SEs who support Travellers and female offenders are particularly welcomed.

Eligibility

Category A: Feasibility Study/ Market Research

Applicants must:

- Meet the definition of social enterprise as per the definition used in the National Social Enterprise Policy for Ireland 2019 – 2022, or alternatively use this fund to explore the potential of becoming a Social Enterprise that will have employment opportunities for people with a criminal conviction.
- Have proof of legal status and operate in the Republic of Ireland.
- Have written approval to hire person(s) with a criminal conviction.
- Submit the completed application form via the Pobal DAF 2 Portal by Wednesday 12th January 2022 @3pm.

Category B: Jobs Creation Fund

Social Enterprises, as described by the National Social Enterprise Policy, must:

- Provide Match Funding of at least 10%.
- Have proof of legal status and operate in the Republic of Ireland.
- Be operating as a social enterprise for more than 2 years.
- Have written approval to hire person(s) with a criminal conviction.
- Submit the completed application form via the Pobal DAF 2 Portal by Wednesday 12th January 2022 @3pm.

Organisations who received funding for a Feasibility Study under the Kickstart Round 1 or 2 Funds will be eligible to apply under Jobs Creation Fund of Round 3 of the KickStart Fund.

Organisations that were funded previously and successfully progressed KickStart Round 2 Strand 2 projects may also apply for funding under KickStart Round 3:

- to ensure employment of a new person(s) with a criminal conviction to the SE.
- to maintain employment of a person with a criminal conviction currently employed but in a new or advanced role with demonstrably greater responsibility. Please note that KickStart Round 3 is not a continuation fund of the previous KickStart Round. In addition, funding to maintain employment for the same person under future rounds is not guaranteed, following the end of KickStart Round 3.

How to Apply

Deadline: 12 Jan 2022

Full guidelines and application details are available here.

Note: Pobal will be holding a series of online clinics over the coming weeks to provide applicants with support and information. Learn more via the above link.

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LIFE Programme Grants

On 1 June 2018, the European Commission proposed a regulation establishing a new LIFE programme for 2021-2027 aiming to:

- contribute to the shift towards a clean, circular, energy-efficient, low-carbon and climate-resilient economy, including through the transition to clean energy
- protect and improve the quality of the environment
- halt and reverse biodiversity loss, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

The Commission proposes €5.45 billion in current prices to be earmarked to the new programme containing two main portfolios, Environment and Climate Action, and covering four sub-programmes:

1. Nature and Biodiversity
2. Circular Economy and Quality of Life
3. Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation
4. Clean Energy Transition.

This is 60% more than the previous period. €3.5 billion will go to environmental projects and the remaining €1.9 billion will be allocated to those on climate action.

The European Commission is increasing LIFE programme funding by almost 60% for the next period. LIFE will also expand into four new sub-programmes: nature and biodiversity, circular economy and quality of life, climate change mitigation and adaptation, and clean energy transition.

Nature and biodiversity – there will be more LIFE projects to help protect Europe's nature, thereby contributing to sustainable development. New 'Strategic Nature Projects' are also foreseen. These will help mainstream nature and biodiversity policies into other areas like agriculture and rural development. This sub-programme supports the implementation of the EU's Birds and Habitats Directives as well as the EU's Biodiversity strategy for 2030. It will also help develop the Natura 2000 network and contribute to the Invasive Alien Species (IAS) Regulation.

Climate change mitigation and adaptation – cutting greenhouse gas emissions, increasing climate change resilience and boosting awareness of climate change mitigation will remain a top priority. This sub-programme helps to make the shift towards a sustainable, energy-efficient, renewable energy-based, climate-neutral and resilient economy. To this end, LIFE projects will support the Commission's Climate Target Plan and its climate neutrality ambitions.

Circular economy and quality of life – LIFE projects will develop technologies and solutions to enhance the circular economy. Projects include the recovery of resources from waste, and

others on water, air, noise, soil and chemical management as well as environmental governance. These support the EU's Circular Economy Action Plan. Also, this sub-programme aims at protecting, restoring and improving the quality of the environment, either through direct interventions or via other policies. And it will continue to implement, monitor and evaluate EU environmental policy and law through Strategic Integrated Projects (SIPs).

Clean energy transition – this new addition will fund LIFE projects devoted to energy efficiency and small-scale renewables to support the Clean energy for all Europeans package. It will ease the transition towards an energy-efficient, renewable energy-based, climate-neutral and resilient economy. And it aims to remove the market barriers that can hamper the socio-economic transition to sustainable energy.

How to Apply

Full details available here: https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/life_en

Current calls / deadlines:

LIFE: Developing support mechanisms for energy communities and other citizen-led initiatives in the field of sustainable energy

This call aims to support actions that foster the collaboration between local and regional authorities and energy communities and/or actions that develop integrated services to facilitate the emergence and growth of community energy projects.

Deadline: 12 January 2022, 17:00 Brussels time

Application Link

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The Arts Council - Touring and Dissemination of Work Scheme

The Arts Council is the national agency for funding, developing and promoting the arts in Ireland. The Council recognises that the arts have a central and distinctive contribution to make to society.

Eligible Artforms / Practices: Architecture, Arts Centres, Arts participation, Circus, Dance, Film, Literature, Music, Street arts, Theatre, Touring, Traditional arts, Visual arts, YPCE.

Applications are invited for proposals seeking funding to support touring and dissemination of work across a range of artforms and art practices. This scheme is designed to support the touring and dissemination of work starting between July 2022 and December 2022.

The Touring and Dissemination of Work Scheme is open to applications from organisations and individuals. Applications which demonstrate collaboration / partnership between networks, consortia or other collective groupings of presenters are encouraged, particularly where these indicate a high degree of engagement with audiences and collaboration with the producing entity or artists. Applications will also be expected to take account of possible restrictions and plan accordingly.

Applicants in receipt of Strategic / Arts Centre / Partnership funding are ineligible for this round. Applicants in receipt of other Arts Council funding are eligible to apply, provided it is clear that the touring or dissemination activity for which funding is sought is additional to those activities for which Arts Council funding has already been offered.

Tours must begin between July 2022 and December 2022.

Objectives and priorities of the scheme – all artforms and art practices.

The Touring and Dissemination of Work Scheme is designed to support touring and dissemination of work across a range of artforms and arts practices.

In offering this scheme the Arts Council aims to support:

- Proposals that are of high artistic quality
- Tours that generally have a strong audience focus
- A geographical spread of tours that take into account Covid-19 constraints (if applicable). Priority will be given to tours that limit their need to travel extensively – e.g. tour a production or event around several locations in one city or local area.
- A range of genres/practices in both artforms
- Tours of varying scale (limitations on scale brought about by Covid-19 restrictions should be taken into account, and large-scale productions should include a rationale)

- Applications that show that all those involved in the proposal (makers, producers, arts centres, etc.) agree their roles with regard to artistic and marketing issues and to risk sharing. This is particularly important in the context of Covid-19 restrictions when limited audiences, longer runs and constraints on performers and staff are key issues.
- Applications that include a contingency plan outlining alternative arrangements should Covid-19 restrictions prevent the original plan from being carried out
- Applications that provide evidence of an effective and appropriate producer role.

Funding Levels
Please note that, due to budgetary constraints, we regret that this scheme can no longer support performances/exhibitions in Northern Ireland.

Eligible costs include the following:

Direct costs of touring (after proposed income has been deducted)
The cost of a producer role (see section 1.8 What supporting material MUST you submit with your application?)
Direct costs of mounting or remounting a production, exhibition or show where these have not already been funded from another source. In Theatre, however, only the cost of remounting a production may be included: initial production costs will not be considered.
No upper limit has been set on the amount that you may apply for. However, the Arts Council operates under budgetary constraints, and the scheme is very competitive.

Productions that have already proven successful in one location are more likely to receive funding under this scheme.

The Council will consider additional costs if they are specifically related to the making of art by artists with disabilities. If you wish to apply for additional funding on this basis, you should provide information with your application outlining what these additional costs are.

How much funding should you apply for?
In applying for funding under the Touring and Dissemination of Work Scheme, you are required to submit budget details relating to your project. The maximum amount you may request is the difference between the PROPOSED EXPENDITURE and the PROPOSED INCOME you indicate in the budget.

Proposed expenditure should include all fees,* wages,* technical costs, promotion and publicity costs, administrative costs, etc.
Proposed income should include what you expect to receive from other funders, box-office receipts, programme sales, etc.
It is also important to reflect all in-kind** support in both income and expenditure, so reflecting the full and true value of your proposal.

How to Apply
Deadline: 13 Jan 2022

All applications must be submitted through the Arts Council online system.

Visit the Arts Council website for full application details.

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Pobal: Community Climate Action Programme Funding (Strand 2)

Pobal is inviting applications for Strand 2: Climate Education, Capacity Building and Learning by Doing of the Community Climate Action Programme.

This programme funding is open to organisations operating at a National or Regional level e.g. not for profit organisations, non-government organisations, universities, third level institutions, community and voluntary organisations, social enterprises and libraries.
Partnerships/Consortiums are encouraged to apply.

The purpose of this funding is to facilitate eligible organisations to collaboratively develop supports, tools, approaches and know-how to assist local communities take action on climate change. The strand focus is on climate education, capacity building and learning by doing – moving beyond 'raising awareness' to build knowledge, skills, attitudes and values necessary to respond to the challenges of climate change at community level. It is necessary for successful proposals to demonstrate inclusivity in design and practice, so that no one is left behind.

The Department of Environment, Climate & Communications (DECC) aims to fund a diverse range of projects under five themes:

1. Home/Energy;
2. Travel;
3. Food and Waste;
4. Shopping and Recycling;
5. Local Climate and Environmental Action.

Grant amount that eligible organisations can apply for:

€50,000 to €100,000 (up to 18 month proposal)
€101,000 to €500,000 (up to 36 month proposal).

How to Apply

Deadline: 14 Jan 2022 at 3pm

Full details available here.

Application Webinar (Technical Support and Guidance): 9th December, between 2.30-4pm.
Register here.

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EU4Health

EU4Health is the EU's funding programme to deliver on EU health policy and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Please note that programme details for the 2021-2027 framework are forthcoming and the information below relates to programmes from the 2014-2020 framework; however, there may currently be open funding calls for this programme.

EU4Health is the EU's ambitious response to COVID-19. The pandemic has a major impact on patients, medical and healthcare staff, and health systems in Europe. The new EU4Health programme will go beyond crisis response to address healthcare systems' resilience.

EU4Health, established by Regulation (EU) 2021/522, will provide funding to eligible entities, health organisations and NGOs from EU countries, or non-EU countries associated to the programme.

Areas of action

With EU4Health, the EU will invest €5.3 billion in current prices in actions with an EU added value, complementing EU countries' policies and pursuing one or several of EU4Health´s objectives:

1. Improve and foster health in the Union
2. Protect people in the Union from serious cross-border threats to health
3. Improve medicinal products, medical devices and crisis-relevant products
4. Strengthen health systems.

The 10 specific objectives under the 4 general goals are:

1. **To improve and foster health in the Union**
    a. disease prevention & health promotion
    b. international health initiatives & cooperation
2. **To tackle cross-border health threats**
    a. prevention, preparedness & response to cross-border health threats
    b. complementing national stockpiling of essential crisis-relevant products

c. establishing a reserve of medical, healthcare & support staff

3. **To improve medicinal products, medical devices and crisis-relevant products**

    a. making medicinal products, medical devices and crisis-relevant products available and affordable

4. **To strengthen health systems, their resilience and resource efficiency**

    a. strengthening health data, digital tools & services, digital transformation of healthcare

    b. improving access to healthcare

    c. developing and implementing EU health legislation and evidence-based decision making

    d. integrated work among national health systems.

EU4Health will pave the way to a European Health Union by investing in urgent health priorities:

- the response to the COVID-19 crisis and reinforcing the EU's resilience for cross-border health threats
- Europe's Beating Cancer Plan, and
- the Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe

Other areas, such as health systems' digitalisation, reducing the number of antimicrobial-resistant infections and improving vaccination rates will also be boosted.

The EU will expand successful initiatives like the European Reference Networks for rare diseases and continue to pursue international cooperation on global health threats and challenges.

Actors involved

Many actors are necessary to make EU4Health a reality:

EU countries are consulted on the priorities and strategic orientations of the programme and work together with the Commission in the 'EU4Health Steering Group' to ensure consistency and complementarity with national health policies. They provide their opinion in the EU4Health Programme Committee before the adoption of the annual work programmes.

Stakeholders including representatives of civil society and patients' associations, academics and organisations of healthcare professionals, provide input on priorities and strategic orientations and on the needs to be addressed through the annual work programme.

The European Parliament is informed about the progress of the preparatory work and outreach activities with stakeholders.

The European Commission prepares, adopts and implements the annual work programmes, and monitors and reports on the progress regarding fulfilment of the programme objectives. It may also seek the views of relevant decentralised agencies and of independent experts in the field of health on technical or scientific matters of relevance for the implementation of the programme.

The Health and Digital Executive Agency (HaDEA) will implement the programme.

How to Apply

Current calls:

EU4Health: Action grants to support actions to improve access to human papillomavirus vaccination

EU4Health is the EU's funding programme to deliver on EU health policy and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This call contributes to the design, planning and roll-out of an HPV vaccination campaign at Member State level.

Deadline: 25 Jan 2022

Full details here.

EU4Health: Action grants to support the implementation of best practices in community-based services for the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), tuberculosis, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections

EU4Health is the EU's funding programme to deliver on EU health policy and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This call supports the prevention and monitoring of communicable diseases.

Deadline: 25 Jan 2022

Full details here.

EU4Health: Action grants to support implementation of best practices on the ground with direct impact on the effort to tackle mental health challenges during COVID-19

EU4Health is the EU's funding programme to deliver on EU health policy and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This call aims to increase awareness, knowledge sharing and capacity building in the area of mental health.

Deadline: 25 Jan 2022

Full details here.

EU4Health: Action grants for the initiative 'HealthyLifestyle4All': promotion of healthy lifestyles

EU4Health is the EU's funding programme to deliver on EU health policy and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This call aims to promote healthy lifestyles in the EU, in particular amongst children.

Deadline: 25 Jan 2022

Full details here.

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Horizon 2020

Horizon 2020 is the biggest EU Research and Innovation programme ever with nearly €80 billion of funding available over 7 years (2014 to 2020). It promises more breakthroughs, discoveries and world-firsts by taking great ideas from the lab to the market.

There are significant opportunities for community, voluntary and charitable organisations and social enterprises to partner with researchers and industry to tackle societal challenges. Our sector has unique insight and skills in facilitating ethical research and ensuring the appropriateness of technology and innovation designed to benefit the target groups with whom we work.

The societal challenges dealt with by Horizon 2020 include:

- Health, Demographic Change and Wellbeing
- Food Security, Sustainable Agriculture and Forestry, Marine, Maritime and Inland Water Research and the Bioeconomy
- Secure, Clean and Efficient Energy
- Smart, Green and Integrated Transport
- Climate Action, Environment, Resource Efficiency and Raw Materials
- Europe in a changing world - Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies
- Secure societies – Protecting freedom and security of Europe and its citizens.

A popular Horizon 2020 fund for civil society is the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions and, within that, the CAROLINE programme, which enables organisations to partner with universities to host fully-funded researchers to conduct research in their area.

For a full overview of the H2020, we recommend completing the free, online workshop created by Dr. Séan McCarthy of Hyperion Ltd for The Wheel - Horizon 2020: Opportunities for Voluntary Organisations.

Want to find out more?

Visit the Horizon 2020 website to learn more and find the specific area relevant to your work. You can also visit the Irish Horizon 2020 website and reach our the H2020 national contact points in Ireland.

The contact point for Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions in Ireland is the Irish Universities Association and the CAROLINE programme is managed by the Irish Research Council.

How to Apply

Current calls:

Horizon Europe: Support the deployment of lighthouse demonstrators for the New European Bauhaus initiative in the context of Horizon Europe missions

This action will offer opportunities to engage with communities on an environmentally sustainable, socially fair, and aesthetically appealing transition, using architecture, design and culture as core resources for a sustainable society.

Deadline: 25 Jan 2022

Application Link

Horizon Europe: Cluster 4 - Social and affordable housing district demonstrator (IA)

This action aims to develop technology-based innovations for novel symbiotic renovation projects.

Deadline: 25 Jan 2022

Application Link

Horizon Europe: Cluster 1 - Prevention of obesity throughout the life course

This topic aims at supporting activities that are enabling or contributing to one or several impacts of destination 1 “Staying healthy in a rapidly changing society”.

Deadline: Two-stage 1 Feb 2022 / 6 Sept 2022

Application Link

Horizon Europe: Cluster 1 - Boosting Mental Health in Europe in Times of Change

This topic aims at supporting activities that are enabling or contributing to one or several impacts of Horizon Europe destination 1 “Staying healthy in a rapidly changing society”.

Deadline: Two-stage 1 Feb 2022 / 6 Sept 2022

Application Link

Horizon Europe: MSCA COFUND 2021

This call aims at stimulating regional, national or international programmes operating in Europe to foster excellence in researchers’ training, mobility and career development.

Deadline: 10 Feb 2022

Application Link

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Patagonia Environmental Grants

Patagonia supports environmental organizations with bold, direct-action agendas and a commitment to long-term change.

We support innovative work that addresses the root causes of the environmental crisis and seeks to protect both the environment and affected communities. We focus on places where we've built connections through our network of retail stores, nationally and internationally.

We fund work that:

- builds an equitable, inclusive and diverse environmental movement
- confronts systemic bias, discrimination and injustice in environmental policy or outdoor spaces
- is action-oriented
- focuses on root causes
- has a clear strategy
- identifies specific goals and objectives that can be effectively measured to evaluate success
- builds public involvement and civic engagement
- works to build an inclusive and diverse environmental movement
- takes place within the following countries: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Czechia, Denmark, France, Germany, **Ireland**, Italy, Japan, Korea, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States.
- Patagonia believes that the most direct path to real change is through building grassroots momentum.

Our funding focuses on organizations that have or can create a strong base of support. Because we're a privately held company, we have the freedom to fund risk-taking, off-the-beaten-track groups, and that's where we believe our small grants are most effective.

We accept one proposal per group in a given fiscal year (May 1–April 30). Our typical grant size ranges between $5,000 and $15,000 Proposals are reviewed and grants decisions are made by an employee grants council in Europe.

How to Apply

Deadline: 31 Jan 2022

Learn more here.

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Culture Ireland Grants

Culture Ireland promotes Irish arts worldwide. We create and support opportunities for Irish artists and companies to present and promote their work at strategic international festivals and venues.

Purpose of Awards

Culture Ireland offers support to Irish professional artists, arts organisations and international presenters to present work by Irish artists at significant international venues and festivals.

In supporting an event, Culture Ireland offers grant funding towards costs which relate directly to the international presentation of the event, i.e. travel and travel related costs such as transport, accommodation and subsistence.

Culture Ireland considers applications for all forms of the arts as defined in the Arts Act 2003: "arts means any creative or interpretative expression (whether traditional or contemporary) in whatever form, and includes, in particular, visual arts, theatre, literature, music, dance, opera, film, circus and architecture, and includes any medium when used for those purposes".

Basic Eligibility Requirements:

- Application must be in respect of a Irish professional artist/s or arts organisation
- Application must be in respect of an art form defined under the Arts Act 2003
- Only international events are supported (i.e., outside the island of Ireland)
- The event must be accessible to an open public audience and fees must be payable to the artist/s or arts organisation
- Funding support is limited to travel and travel related costs
- Grants are only payable to the person/organisation named on the initial application.

Applications deemed eligible are assessed in line with the following criteria:

1. Artistic quality of work and track record of artist/s or arts organisation
2. Financial and operational viability of the event (including fees and level of support from presenter/venue/other partners)
3. Profile of international venue/festival

4. Proven capacity of applicant, artist/s or arts organisation to present work internationally
5. Wider promotional and media impact.

What does Culture Ireland mean by artistic quality?

Artistic quality can be defined as work that is ambitious, excellent and original, connects to audiences and has been presented nationally to critical acclaim. It should be noted that the assessment of the artistic quality of the proposed work is made using knowledge, experience and specialist advice.

Examples of eligible applications include:

- Theatre, circus and dance performances by professional companies
- Film-makers presenting films at key international film festivals
- Performances by professional or professionally-led musicians and ensembles
- Visual artists/galleries exhibiting at internationally recognised art fairs/galleries
- Readings by writers/poets in English or Irish or otherwise at international literary festivals.

Please note that because of the competitive nature and context of each grant round, limited funding and a large number of applicants, eligibility and compliance with criteria for assessment alone does not guarantee that you will receive grant funding.

Examples of ineligible applications include:

- Events which have already taken place
- Research, opportunities, study or professional training
- Production Costs
- Residencies
- Bursaries
- Workshops/Conferences
- Amateur events

- Work by non-professional artists
- Events of a competitive nature.

How to Apply

Deadline: 1 Feb 2022

Application forms and further information can be accessed on the Culture Ireland website.

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Community Water Development Fund 2022

Your local community or voluntary group can now apply for a grant under the Community Water Development Fund 2022. This Fund helps local communities deliver projects and initiatives that enhance the local water environment, delivering multiple benefits for biodiversity and climate action. The Local Authority Waters Programme (LAWPRO) administers the Fund on behalf of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. It is open to all community and voluntary groups to apply.

Eligibility

The funding scheme is open to not-for-profit Community and Voluntary Groups; Rural Networks; Urban Networks; Environmental Non-Government Organisations, Clubs, Associations or other appropriate bodies located in the Republic of Ireland ONLY.

Projects should show benefits for water quality, biodiversity, and climate action.

There is a total fund of €380,000 available for 2022.

Grants awarded will range from €500 to €25,000. For support with your application contact your local Community Water Officer.

How to Apply

Deadline: 8 Feb 2022

Full information and guidelines available here.

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Additional Resources

Visit The Wheel's COVID-19 information hub, including essential funding information and key sector updates, including extensive Returning to the Workplace Safely resources: www.wheel.ie/covid-19-info-hub

Nonprofits seeking fundraising advice and guidance can avail of two additional resources:

1. **Fundraising Guidance Library**
    - Fundraising Essentials
    - Applying to Grant Makers
    - Fundraising From The Public
    - European Funding

2. **Fundraising Helpdesk**

Can't find an answer to your fundraising question in the above articles? Then get in touch with The Wheel's Fundraising Helpdesk now. Email as much detail as possible to: paul@wheel.ie and we'll get back to you shortly. www.wheel.ie.

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