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Ecclesiastical - The Movement for Good Awards 2022

The Movement for Good Awards is an annual platform for giving, set up by all the businesses that make up the Benefact Group. It's our opportunity to make a tangible difference to the lives of the people and communities we serve, by supporting the charities, not-for-profit organisations, and community interest projects that mean something to you.

This year we are donating more than £1 million, and we can't do it without you!

You can make a difference. We're not asking for money, or any real time, just your nomination of a registered charity, not-for-profit organisation, or community interest company in the UK, Republic of Ireland, Channel Islands or Isle of Man. Anyone can nominate and that one act could potentially mean an extra £1,000 to those trying to make a difference. The more nominations a charity receives, the greater their chance of winning, so once you've done your part, spread the word and make it a movement!

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12 Days of Christmas!

12 Days of Giving is the last phase of our Movement for Good programme for 2022. For 12 days in December, we'll be drawing 10 charities per working day to receive £1,000.

The first draw takes place on December 1st and the last on the 16th so nominate your favourite charity today!

How to Apply

Opening for applications: 1 Dec 2022

Deadline for applications: 16 Dec 2022

[Visit the website to use the nomination form here.](#)

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Interreg IVB - Northern Periphery and Arctic Programme

For 20 years, the Northern Periphery and Arctic Programme has provided a framework for regions to work together with a focus on promoting sustainable development in remote and sparsely populated communities.

The next programme will continue to do this, focusing on those themes and types of activities that are deemed to benefit most from transnational cooperation between the regions in the NPA area.

In the EU Member States, the Programme area covers Northern and Eastern Finland, Northern and Western Regions of Ireland, and Northern Sweden. Outside the EU, the Faroe Islands, Greenland, Iceland, and Northern parts of Norway belong to the Programme area.

Priorities

The NPA programme area is vast and participating territories are separated by long distances. Yet, similarities and linkages between the participating territories as well as common characteristics and shared development concerns in the NPA regions offer a strong basis for cooperation.

A more detailed description of the territorial features in the NPA can be found in [the Area Analysis](#). The Interreg NPA 2021-2027 will also seek a wider and more active engagement of young people in both the projects and the programme.

Through transnational cooperation, the Interreg NPA Programme addresses the challenges and opportunities in the programme area through 3 Priorities.

1 Strengthening the innovation capacity for resilient and attractive NPA communities	1.1 Developing and enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies
	1.2. Reaping the benefits of digitisation for citizens, companies, research organisations and public authorities
	1.3. Enhancing sustainable growth & competitiveness of SMEs and job creation in SMEs, including by productive investment

2 Strengthening the capacity for climate change adaptation, and resource sufficiency in NPA communities	2.1. Promoting energy efficiency and reducing greenhouse gas emissions
	2.2. Promoting climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, resilience, taking into account ecosystem based approaches
	2.3. Promoting the transition to a circular and resource efficient economy
3 Strengthening the organisational capacity among NPA communities to make use of cooperation opportunities	3.1. Enhance institutional capacity of public authorities and stakeholders to implement macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies, as well as other territorial strategies.

Funding / Budget

The final budget of the Interreg NPA Programme is 51,5 million euro. Between 2021-2027, the Programme will allocate 46 833 778 Euros to projects, of which 39 978 162 EUR in European funding (ERDF) will be available to partners in Member States (Finland, Ireland, Sweden) and 6 855 616 EUR for partners in the Non-EU partner countries (Norway, Iceland, Faroe Islands, Greenland). The remaining amount will cover programme administration costs, so called Technical Assistance.

The funding available for projects has been distributed as follows:

- Priority 1 Innovation capacity: 45%
- Priority 2 Climate change and resource sufficiency: 45%
- Priority 3 Cooperation opportunities: 10%

The Programme is financed through European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and ERDF equivalent funding from the Non-EU partner countries, supplemented by match funding from projects.

Projects apply to the Programme for ERDF or ERDF equivalent co-financing and contribute to the project with public or private match funding.

How to Apply

Call overview

This call aims to support communities cooperating with each other to harness opportunities, find common solutions to shared challenges and together become more prosperous and resilient.

Main projects are expected to develop concrete and durable project outputs, leading to a positive impact on the project's target groups in the Programme area. An output should be captured by an output indicator, and directly contribute to the achievement of the result envisaged by the programme objectives, as outlined in the annexed Programme and project logic.

Deadline for applications: 5 Dec 2022

[Full details available 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

[Visit the BAI website to download the full guidelines and application details.](#)

Deadline for applications: **Round 47** – 8 Dec 2022 / **Round 48** – 13 Dec 2022

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Irish Aid - Development Education Funding Scheme

Global Citizenship Education is a lifelong educational process which aims to increase public knowledge and understanding of the rapidly changing, interdependent and unequal world in which we live. By challenging stereotypes and encouraging independent thinking, global citizenship education helps people to critically explore how global justice issues interlink with their everyday lives.

Global Citizenship Education is transformative. It enables people to analyse and challenge the root causes and consequences of global poverty and inequality and to transform the social, cultural, political and economic structures which affect their lives and the lives of others. It aspires to change the way people think and act; empowering them to take action and become active global citizens in the creation of a fairer, more just, more secure and more sustainable world for all.

Global Citizenship Education addresses a wide range of themes and issues, including:

Why do we provide Global Citizenship Education funding?

Our funding to global citizenship education supports the implementation of the [Irish Aid Global Citizenship Education Strategy 2021-2025](#). The long term goal of the Strategy is that through the provision of global citizenship education, people are empowered to analyse and challenge the root causes and consequences of global hunger, poverty, inequality, injustice and climate change.

Global citizenship education plays an important role in building the conditions in which we can continue to meet ongoing global challenges, contributing to both our foreign policy and international development policy objectives. The four core values underpinning our foreign policy are a fairer, more just, more secure and more sustainable world. Irish Aid promotes these values abroad through our international development programme and at home through our support for development education. Global citizenship education promotes citizenship literacy among the Irish public by deepening understanding of global justice issues and Ireland's core values, advancing our foreign policy aim of contributing to the collective international effort to build a better world for all.

Our funding for global citizenship education enables us to work in partnership with educators across the primary, post-primary, higher education, youth and adult and community education sectors to increase the accessibility, quality and effectiveness of development education in Ireland.

Projects and programmes approved for global citizenship education funding share the following characteristics:

- Contribute to the learner’s knowledge and understanding of global justice issues and facilitate the learner to engage with multiple perspectives
- Enhance the learner’s skills and competencies, placing particular emphasis on the development of critical thinking skills
- Strengthen the learner’s values and attitudes, supporting the learner to recognise our global interconnectedness and consequently our rights and responsibilities as global citizens
- Promote action at a local and global level, empowering the learner to engage in individual and/or collective action to bring about a positive difference in the world

All projects and programmes approved for global citizenship education funding have a strong focus on achieving the results set out in the Global Citizenship Education Strategy and the Performance Measurement Framework and contribute to awareness raising of and engagement with the Sustainable Development Goals.

How to Apply

Irish Aid issues a call for global citizenship education project proposals annually. The Global Citizenship Education Grant Scheme is open to Irish-based organisations only.

Grants are allocated in the range of €10,000 to €180,000 annually. In 2023, applications can be submitted for projects with a duration of one, two or three years.

Organisations who have not received global citizenship education funding in the past or if the organisation has not completed an eligibility form or been deemed eligible to apply over the last 3 years (2020, 2021 and 2022 call for proposals) must complete an eligibility form.

Organisations can request an Eligibility Form by emailing the Global Citizenship Education Mailbox. Organisations will then receive an Eligibility Form and Application Form from Irish Aid.

Completed eligibility forms must be submitted to the Global Citizenship Education Mailbox by 5pm on Thursday, 27 October 2022. Organisations who fail to meet the eligibility deadline cannot be considered. Organisations which submit a completed Eligibility Criteria Form by 5pm on Thursday, 27 October 2022 will be notified of their eligibility by Friday 04 November 2022.

All other organisations wishing to apply can request an application form by emailing the Global Citizenship Education Mailbox.

Please note, applications which are received after this date will not be considered.

Deadline: 9 Dec 2022 @ 5pm

[Click here for full details and guidelines.](#)

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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

Deadline: 14 Dec 2022

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

Please read [Funding Priorities](#) to determine if your project fits into our areas of interest.

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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Horizon Europe

Horizon Europe is the EU's key funding programme for research and innovation.

Aims & Objectives

It aims to:

- strengthen the EU's scientific and technological bases and the European Research Area (ERA);
- boost Europe's innovation capacity, competitiveness and jobs;
- deliver on citizens' priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals

What does it support?

It funds actions under its three pillars and one horizontal activity:

1. Pillar 1: Excellent Science aims to increase the EU's global scientific competitiveness. This pillar includes the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions which fund the development of excellent doctoral and postdoctoral training programmes and collaborative research projects.
2. Pillar 2: Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness supports research relating to societal challenges and reinforces technological and industrial capacities through its seven "clusters" or themes.
3. Pillar 3: Innovative Europe aims to make Europe a frontrunner in market-creating innovation via the European Innovation Council.

Widening Participation and Strengthening the European Research Area: This horizontal activity will increase support to EU Member States in their efforts to make the most of their national research and innovation potential.

Eligibility

Who can apply?

- Academia and higher education institutions
- Researchers and research centres

- Public bodies (local, regional, or national)
- Industry and private businesses
- Non-governmental organisations and nonprofits who would like to promote and facilitate engaged and ethical research into issues impacting their beneficiaries.

Why the EU funds research and innovation

Read more about EU policy on the topic of [Research and innovation](#)

Budget

€95.5 billion over 7 years.

Project Examples

[Re-InVest](#): Investing in the right to a home. This qualitative research project used a participatory action approach to co-construct policy knowledge. The research focused on the experience of lone parent families living in emergency homeless accommodation, particularly in relation to their experience of the private rental subsidy Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) and of Family Hubs, a new form of emergency.

[Find more case studies on the Campus Engaged website.](#)

National Contact Point in Ireland

For [Horizon Europe \(Cluster 2\) & European Research Council](#): Irish University Association, Chiara Loda, chiara.loda@iua.ie

For [Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions \(MSCA\)](#): Irish University Association, Yvonne Halpin, yvonne.halpin@iua.ie

For Horizon Europe Health: Enterprise Ireland, [Dr Matha Cahill](#)

[Horizon Europe Contact List](#)

Want to find out more?

[Horizon Europe - The EU Research & Innovation Programme](#)

[Horizon Europe Info Days 2021](#)

[Irish Marie Skłodowska-Curie Office](#)

[Network of MSCA National Contact Points \(NCPs\)](#)

[MSCA matchmaking platform](#)

Social media

[Horizon Europe on Twitter](#)

[Horizon Europe Ireland on Twitter](#)

[The Irish Marie Skłodowska-Curie Office on Twitter](#)

[Marie Skłodowska Curie Programme on Twitter](#)

How to Apply

Find open calls for [Horizon Europe](#).

Current calls:

Horizon Europe - New railway station concept for green and socially inclusive smart cities

Deadline: December 14, 2022

[VIEW DETAIL](#)

Horizon Europe - Designs, materials and solutions to improve resilience, preparedness & responsiveness of the built environment for climate adaptation (Built4People)

Deadline: January 24, 2023

[VIEW DETAIL](#)

Horizon Europe - Cluster 5 - Solutions for the sustainable, resilient, inclusive and accessible regeneration of neighbourhoods enabling low carbon footprint lifestyles and businesses (Built4People)

Deadline: January 24, 2023

[VIEW DETAIL](#)

Horizon Europe - Cluster 5 - Sustainable and resource-efficient solutions for an open, accessible, inclusive, resilient and low-emission cultural heritage: prevention, monitoring, management, maintenance, and renovation (Built4People)

Deadline: January 24, 2023

[VIEW DETAIL](#)

Horizon Europe - Cluster 5 - Designs, materials and solutions to improve resilience, preparedness & responsiveness of the built environment for climate adaptation (Built4People)

Deadline: January 24, 2023

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Horizon Europe - MSCA COFUND 2022

Deadline: February 9, 2023

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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.

Basic 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 ('Critically Endangered' or 'Endangered').
- The submitted project has to take into account the habitat of the target species.
- The duration of the grant requested is from one to two years.
- The funding requested does not exceed € 8,000.
- The funding requested does not exceed 50% of the total project budget.

Additional Criteria

- Your project is in line with the national strategy of the intervention country.
- Your NGO and/or your implementing partner must be registered and allowed to work in the intervention country.
- The project is participatory and partnership-based: it is designed and implemented in conjunction with the relevant populations and 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 includes a funding plan with the names of donors and their envisaged, acquired or confirmed 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: opening for applications in December (exact date tbc)

[Learn more here.](#)

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Circular Economy Innovation Grant Scheme (CEIGS) 2022

This €650,000 grant scheme supports innovation and circular economy projects by social enterprises, voluntary and community organisations, and businesses with fewer than 50 employees. Up to €100,000 is available for individual projects that demonstrate exceptional impact.

The Circular Economy Innovation Grant Scheme (CEIGS) is a Government of Ireland initiative led by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications (DECC).

The purpose of this grants scheme is to provide support to projects which work in the Circular Economy space, with the aim of advancing the Circular Economy in Ireland and raising awareness of the need to transition to a Circular Economy. By funding circular economy projects and enterprises, the CEIGS directly supports the growth of the circular economy in Ireland and provides high-profile examples of best practice.

Typical funding for CEIGS projects under the 2022 call is anticipated to be in the range of €10,000 to €50,000.

While the CEIGS is not limited to social enterprises and voluntary and community based organisations, DECC is particularly interested in submissions from organisations of these types. Please read the Guide for Applicants carefully (see link below), prior to completing your application. The Guide for Applicants contains further details on the scheme and the types of projects which are eligible for funding.

How to Apply

Deadline: 16 December 2022 @ 5pm

Full details available here: <https://www.gov.ie/en/service/b3faa-apply-for-the-circular-economy-inno...>

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2023 - 2027 LEADER Programme

The details of the €180 million LEADER Programme for 2023-2027 have just been announced.

The major investment will support thousands of locally-led rural development and enterprise projects over the next 5 years. This allocation is in addition to the €70 million already provided for LEADER for 2021 and 2022, bringing the total allocation for the seven year LEADER programming period of 2021-2027 to €250 million.

The selection process will be conducted over two stages; the first stage is an 'Expression of Interest' by eligible groups followed by a more detailed stage which will see them develop their LEADER strategies.

Interested parties will have until Friday 16 December 2022 to submit their Expression of Interest (Stage 1).

All groups that are successful in Stage 1 will be provided with funding to assist with the costs associated with developing a Local Development Strategy in Stage 2 of the process.

A fund of €2 million has been ring-fenced for this purpose which will commence in early 2023.

Criteria

The LEADER programme accepts applications based on projects which improve:

- rural tourism
- enterprise development
- broadband
- basic services targeted at hard-to-reach communities
- rural youth
- protection and sustainable use of water resources
- local biodiversity
- renewable energy.

The LEADER programme is administered at a local level by 29 local action groups, which contain local representatives from the community, public and private sector. Each group is responsible for selecting and awarding LEADER funding to projects within their geographical area.

A project must be aligned with the priorities of the local development strategy. The total funding available under the LEADER 2014-2020 Programme is €250 million.

How to Apply

As part of the new CAP Strategic Plan funding of €180 million has been committed to LEADER for 2023-2027. The Minister also confirmed that all of this funding will be allocated to the Local Action Groups who are appointed to deliver the new programme. A breakdown of the allocation is provided in the table below.

Deadline for Expression of Interest: 16 Dec 2022 @ 5.30pm

Interested parties can now apply by [visiting the department's website and downloading an application form.](#)

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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 2022

[Full details are available on the EPA website.](#)

Applications should be made online via the EPA's Grant Management and Application Portal.

Funding is available as a rolling call with four submission deadlines each year (31st December; 31st March; 30th June; 30th September).

Applications for events taking place within the first 28 days of a call period must be submitted prior to the closure of the penultimate call period (i.e. an application for an event taking place between 1st and 28th January must be submitted by the deadline of 30th September).

A response shall be communicated to applicants within one month of the call deadline date.

Requests for funding should be made using the appropriate application form using the following headings:

Background and Work Programme (20 marks)

Relevance to Environmental Research in Ireland (30 marks)

Expected outputs and benefits (30 marks)

Environmental Policy (20 marks)

Applications will be judged competitively against others received in the period using these criteria and regarding the need to balance funding across institutions and thematic areas.

(See also the Grassroots Workshop Support Scheme via above link).

Other Funding

See also: <https://www.epa.ie/our-services/research/#.VWzK089Viko>

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Foras na Gaeilge - Colmcille Small Grants Scheme 2022

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

The aim of this scheme is to foster communication between the language communities of Scottish and Irish Gaelic, and to strengthen Scottish and Irish Gaelic through this communication.

Upper limit €12,000/£10,320

Colmcille 1500

From the 7 December 2020 to the 9 June 2022, there will be a commemoration of 1500 years since the birth of St Colmcille, who founded the Abbey of Iona. Colmcille is a symbol of cooperation between countries in these islands. As well as the normal criteria, applications will be welcome which raise awareness of the heritage for St Colmcille and which bring people together, particularly between Ireland and Scotland.

Application can be made for up to 80% of the entire costs of the overall costs of the project. The scheme is open to any organisation which is in a position to further these relationships and which has the relevant documentation.

How to Apply

Deadline: 31 Dec 2022

Learn more here: <https://www.forasnagaeilge.ie/funding-scheme/?lang=en>

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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

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 will also consider giving grants to individuals within the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland.

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.

For Individuals:

The Hospital Saturday Fund will consider giving partial or full grants to individuals for the following:

Specialised mobility equipment, wheelchairs, mobility scooters, car adaptations, medical appliances and aids, hearing aids, nebulisers, specialised vision aids, specialised computer equipment, therapeutic equipment/treatment, orthopaedic beds, mattresses or pillows, riser/recliners chairs, lift hoist/aids.

Physiotherapy, Hydrotherapy, Acupuncture, Speech Therapy, Osteopathy, Chiropractic treatment, Reflexology, Massage Therapy and Aromatherapy.

Home adaptations, walk in showers, accessibility adaptations to bathrooms, access ramps, non-slip flooring, stair lifts.

How to Apply

Deadline for application: 4 Jan 2022

Full guidelines and access to online applications are [available here](#).

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Charlemagne Youth Prize

Since 2008, the European Parliament together with the 'Foundation of the International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen' have each year been inviting young people from all EU Member States to submit projects run by and for youth showing an active participation in the development of Europe.

Eligibility

Can we participate?

Young citizens aged between 16 and 30 living in any EU Member State can submit projects for the European Charlemagne Youth Prize.

Projects can be submitted individually or, preferably, in groups. They should promote European and international understanding; foster the development of a shared sense of European identity and integration; and provide role models for young people living in Europe and offer practical examples of Europeans living together as one community.

The European Parliament and the Foundation of the International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen invite young people from all EU Member States to participate in a competition on EU development, integration and European identity issues.

The 'European Charlemagne Youth Prize' is awarded to projects, which:

- promote European and international understanding,
- foster the development of a shared sense of European identity and integration,
- serve as a role model for young people living in Europe and offer practical examples of Europeans living together as one community.

The projects can focus on the organisation of various youth events, youth exchanges or online projects with a European dimension.

WHAT TYPE OF PROJECT CAN WE SUBMIT?

[Previous winners](#) have been awarded for projects such as youth exchanges, events in the fields of sports, arts or culture or may take the form of online projects with a European dimension. Have a look [here](#) to read about previous winners' projects.

WHAT IF WE WIN?

The prize for the best project is €7500, the second €5000 and the third €2500. As part of the prize, the three European laureates are invited to visit the European Parliament in Brussels or Strasbourg.

One representative of each national winning project is invited to Aachen for several days to attend several events, including the Youth Prize Award Ceremony, which always takes place two days before Ascension Day, the day on which the prestigious International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen is awarded.

The prizes for the best three projects will be presented by the President of the European Parliament and representatives of the Foundation of the International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen.

Your project will also receive lots of coverage through the European Parliament's and the Foundation's media channels.

... and last but not least, your stay in Aachen will be a unique chance to meet and network with other dynamic young people from all over Europe, a platform to share your vision about Europe in front of European leaders and for many it will be the beginning of some long-lasting friendships with like-minded young people from all over Europe!

How to Apply

Opening for applications: 12 Jan 2023

[Full application details available here.](#)

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Creative Europe Programme

Creative Europe is the European Commission's framework programme for support to the culture and audio-visual sectors.

The Creative Europe programme is open to cultural and creative organisations from EU Member States, as well as non-EU countries. Subject to certain conditions EEA (European Economic Area), candidate/potential candidate and ENP (European Neighbourhood Policy) countries can also participate in the programme on an equal footing with Member States.

Creative Europe Culture Sub-programme

Creative Europe (2021-2027) will support European creative sectors with a budget of €2.44 billion.

The Creative Europe programme 2021 – 2027 sets out common goals for the cultural and creative sectors. It puts a stronger emphasis on transnational creation, global circulation and promotion of European works, innovation across sectors, and ease of funding access through higher EU co-financing rates. All funded actions and projects should respect gender equality and the EU's environmental commitments in the design and implementation of their activities

The CULTURE strand of the Programme consists of the following actions:

- Horizontal actions covering all cultural and creative sectors: support to cultural cooperation projects, networks of professional organisations, platforms for the promotion of European artists and works, individual mobility scheme.
- Sector-specific support to complement horizontal actions in music, book & publishing, cultural heritage and architecture as well as other sectors.
- Special actions to reward and promote excellence and creativity such as the awards for literature, music, architecture and cultural heritage, European Capitals of Culture, and the European Heritage Label.

Creative Europe Media Sub-programme

The MEDIA sub-programme of Creative Europe supports European film and audiovisual industries in the development, distribution and promotion of their work. The programme supports projects with a European dimension while also enabling them to seek markets beyond national and European borders. Funding is also available for training, development, and new technologies.

Creative Europe Cross Sector Strand

The Cross-sectoral strand of the Creative Europe programme is designed to serve three primary functions:

1. The establishment of a Guarantee Facility targeting the cultural and creative sectors
2. The promotion of transnational policy cooperation
3. Supporting a network of Creative Europe Desks.

How to Apply

You can read more on the [Irish Creative Europe website](#) and contact the national [Creative Europe Desk](#).

Current funding calls:

Creative Europe - Music Moves Europe

Deadline: January 12, 2023

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Creative Europe - TV and Online Content

Deadline: January 17, 2023

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Creative Europe - Innovative Tools and Business Models

Deadline: January 24, 2023

[VIEW DETAIL](#)

Creative Europe - European Slate Development

Deadline: January 25, 2023

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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 outdoor recreation and through our network of retail stores, nationally and internationally.

We believe local battles to protect a specific stand of forest, a stretch of river, an indigenous wild species or a community from a polluting refinery build public support and confront larger, more complex issues like climate change, biodiversity loss and environmental justice.

We encourage work that brings underrepresented communities to the forefront of the environmental movement and defend communities whose health and livelihoods are threatened by environmental exploitation.

We support multipronged campaigns that push for greater environmental protections and force the government to abide by its own laws.

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.

There are three annual deadlines for this process:

1. May 31st (all applications received in May will receive a response by the end of August)
2. September 30th (all applications received in September will receive a response by the end of December)
3. January 31st (all applications received in January will receive a response by the end of May)

How to Apply

Deadline for applications: 31 Jan 2023

[Learn more here.](#)

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Waterways Ireland - Heritage in the Community Grants Programme

In support of the Waterways Ireland Heritage Plan, we are delighted to announce the Heritage in the Community Grants Scheme 2023 is now open for application! A fund of €20,000 has been allocated to assist community based heritage projects which compliment or fulfil the delivery of the Waterways Ireland Heritage Plan along the Barrow Navigation, Erne System, Grand Canal, Lower Bann, Royal Canal, Shannon, Shannon-Erne, and the Ulster Canal (Upper Lough Erne to Clones).

Applications will be considered from communities seeking assistance for projects related to inland waterways' heritage including data collection & research, good heritage practice in managing sites, collections, objects, etc. And support fresh approaches and initiatives that link heritage to communities, promoting active engagement with heritage.

Only projects that can be completed before 31st October 2023 can be considered under this scheme. We appreciate that this is a tight timeframe and we would urge you to ensure that your project can meet this timeframe before making an application.

Full guidance document can be downloaded [Heritage Grant 2023 - Application Guidance](#).

The scheme is open to individuals, community groups and organisations along the inland waterways within Waterways Ireland's remit:

- The Lower Bann
- The Grand Canal
- The Royal Canal
- The Barrow Navigation
- The Shannon
- The Shannon Erne
- The Erne
- The Ulster Canal (Upper Lough Erne to Clones).

Only one grant per individual/organisation is permitted.

Funding Available

Waterways Ireland has allocated €20,000 to this scheme in 2023 to undertake projects that will compliment or fulfil the delivery of the Waterways Ireland Heritage Plan.

Grants up to €1,500 / £1,350 are available.

Volunteer participation is a legitimate contribution. You are encouraged to put a value on the work contributed to the project by members of your organisation, by your project team or by other volunteers. Guideline costings are outlined below for this and other donated services.

- Unskilled labour: €80/£60 per day
- Skilled Labour: €150/£115 per day
- Professional Labour: €300/£230 per day.

How to Apply

Deadline for applications: 31 Jan 2023

[Full details available 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”.

Eligibility

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:
- Artistic quality of work and track record of artist/s or arts organisation
- Financial and operational viability of the event (including fees and level of support from presenter/venue/other partners)

- Profile of international venue/festival
- Proven capacity of applicant, artist/s or arts organisation to present work internationally
- 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 for applications: 1 Feb 2023

Application forms and further information can be accessed on [the Culture Ireland website](#).

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Fit for Life Awards 2023

Every year, the Fit for Life Foundation awards grants of EUR 100,000 each to 3 non-profit organizations or social enterprises that are pioneering projects to promote lifelong fitness and health.

Winner will be announced during the awards ceremony that will take place in Geneva, Switzerland, in September/October 2023.

If your organization makes an impact on healthy aging for older (65+ years) or middle-aged people (45+ years), we would love to hear about your work.

Eligibility

To apply for the Fit for Life Awards, applicants must meet the following criteria:

The organization or initiative must be legally registered as a non-profit or social enterprise in its country/countries of operations.

We do not accept applications from the following types of organizations:

- Research institutes
- Government/public sector institutes
- Political organizations
- Organizations that discriminate in their leadership, staffing, or service provision on the basis of age, gender, race, ethnicity, disability, national origin, political affiliation, religious belief or sexual orientation.

We welcome applications from organizations all around the world.

Areas of impact

The mission and activities of the organization or initiative must directly address healthy aging for older (65+ years) or middle-aged people (40+ years).

We welcome solutions relevant to:

- Physical fitness
- Exercise and sport

- Mental health
- Mental well-being
- Mobility
- Nutrition
- At-home care
- Community support for older people
- Prevention of non-communicable diseases (NCDs)
- Other forms of preventative health support.

How to Apply

Deadline for applications: 15 Feb 2023

Full guidelines and application details are available here: <https://www.fitforlife.foundation/awards-application>

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Additional Resources

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

1. Fundraising Guidance Library

- [Fundraising Essentials](#)
- [Applying to Grant Makers](#)
- [Fundraising From The Public](#)
- [European Funding](#)

2. Access Europe

Access Europe is a support and capacity-building programme for Irish civil society organisations to better access EU funds and engage in EU policy. It is funded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and delivered by The Wheel.

Learn more here: <https://www.accesseurope.ie/>

3. 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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