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# **Communicating Europe Initiative**

The Communicating Europe Initiative provides funding to voluntary organisations, educational bodies and civil society groups and bodies for projects intended to deepen public awareness of the role that the European Union plays in our daily lives, and improve the quality and accessibility of public information on European issues, at local, regional or national level.

### The Theme for the 2025 programme is "The EU as a catalyst for change".

Project proposals should communicate European issues, the role of the European Union and Ireland's place in Europe.

Proposals are encouraged to focus on how particular EU policies have impacted on Ireland and how Irish policies have impacted on the EU. This should not necessarily be a backward looking exercise, proposals for how the EU could improve the lives of Irish citizens in the future are also welcomed.

Projects which seek to foster citizens awareness of and participation in EU Policy making.

Proposals involving youth/schools/third level institutions and inter-generational engagement are also encouraged.

As the number of applications received is likely to exceed the available funds, priority will be given to proposals which are not direct replicates of previously funded CEI projects. Priority will also be given to projects which seek to engage with sections of society which have traditionally not been engaged with on EU matters.

For reference – Details of projects funded in 2024 are available at this link - <u>https://assets.ireland.ie/documents/241010\_CEI\_Approvals\_2024.pdf.</u>

How to Apply

Full details available here: <u>https://www.ireland.ie/en/eu/communicating-europe-</u> initiative/#applying

Deadline: 17 Apr 2025

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# **Social Entrepreneurs Ireland - The Impact Programme**

Have you piloted your solution and proven its impact? The Impact Programme supports social entrepreneurs who are ready to build stronger foundations to ensure they thrive and identify their route to scaling for greatest impact.

#### Overview

The Impact Programme is a nine-month journey designed to help social entrepreneurs strengthen their foundations and identify where they can have their greatest impact. Through expert mentorship, tailored consultancy, and unrestricted funding of €20,000, we provide the critical supports needed to help you thrive.

The programme focuses on four key areas: building a stronger organisation, developing resilient leadership, amplifying your voice, and creating long-lasting social change. Whether it's refining your strategy, strengthening governance, or expanding your reach, we work with you to identify your biggest opportunities for growth and impact. Join Ireland's largest community of social entrepreneurs and take your impact to the next level.

#### Support

The programme provides targeted support and engagement through a series of structured activities: Discovery sessions to get to know each other, the team in SEI and your story; Co-Design days to collectively plan the programme; Group sessions including workshops and work discussion groups; Individual Supports including coaching, mentoring and consultancy. These sessions are facilitated by members of our team and wider community including our supporters, fellow support organisations, partners, funders and sector expert consultants.

All activities are aligned with four focus areas:

- 1. Stronger Organisation: Training, advice and support in areas related to improving an organisation's structure, operational capacity, solution delivery, financial capacity and impact measurement.
- 2. Resilient Leaders: Leadership development and growth to strengthen the resilience and adaptability of social entrepreneurs.
- 3. Impactful Voice: Connecting and communicating with a range of stakeholders.
- 4. Long-Lasting Social Change: Tackling the problem, not just delivering the solution including networking building and collaborations within the eco-system.

#### Time-commitment

The programme is designed to be flexible and tailored to individual needs. Awardees will engage in approximately 2-4 days per month, participating in a mix of 1:1 meetings, expert-led workshops, and collaborative group sessions. As the programme progresses, time commitments may increase, particularly as participants work toward tangible deliverables.

#### Funding

Each awardee receives €20,000 in unrestricted funding.

Funding can be allocated to scaling needs such as team expansion, legal structuring, and strategic marketing.

Participants access additional supports worth €20,000-€30,000 per organisation, including expert consultancy, leadership development, and bespoke training.

How to Apply

Full applications guidelines are available here.

Deadline: 28 Apr 2025

# **Social Entrepreneurs Ireland - The Ideas Academy**

Do you have a strong insight into a social or environmental problem? Do you have an idea or a solution for that problem? Are you ambitious, entrepreneurial, and passionate about social change?

This three-month programme provides you with the knowledge and tools you need to help you to deepen your understanding of the problem and kick-start your idea to get testing and piloting.

Participants on the Ideas Academy are supported to clearly articulate, refine and progress their solution, to build skills and accelerate learning in core areas of importance to social entrepreneurship, and to move from idea to piloting.

The programme is mostly delivered online with 5 in-person events and workshops (as detailed in the applicant guide).

### **Training & Support**

The Ideas Academy is designed to help participants clearly articulate, refine, and progress their solutions to social challenges. The programme provides structured training and support to build essential skills, accelerate learning, and move from idea to action.

Over twelve weeks, participants engage in a mix of in-person and online sessions, including:

Core learning workshops to refine problem understanding, validate solutions, develop an action plan, and practice storytelling and pitching

Group discussions for deeper exploration of learnings and peer feedback and support

Networking opportunities with fellow social entrepreneurs and sector experts

The programme includes 5 in-person events: a selection workshop, a launch, two midprogramme events, and a graduation ceremony. Participants also have access to ongoing support from SEI and a wider community of changemakers.

#### Time-commitment

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The programme requires a commitment of 3-6 hours per week, which includes your attendance at workshops and group discussions, as well as work you will action outside of these sessions.

Participants must attend all core learning workshops to successfully complete the programme.

#### **Funding Available**

At the end of the programme all participants have the opportunity to apply to pitch for a portion of €20,000 seed funding to further pilot their idea.

How to Apply

Visit the Social Entrepreneurs Ireland website for full application guidelines.

Deadline: 28 Apr 2025

# **Erasmus+ Programme**

Erasmus+ is the EU's funding programme for education, training, youth and sport.

#### Aims & Objectives

It aims to:

- Provide support for lifelong learning
- Contribute to building a European Education Area
- Promote learning mobility in education, training, youth, and sport
- Improve the quality of education and training systems
- Strengthen European identity and active citizenship

#### What does it support?

Projects addressing sector-specific priorities in the programme's strands:

- Adult Education
- Higher Education
- School Education
- Vocational Education and Training

Projects that address one (or more) of the programme's four key horizontal priorities:

- Inclusion and diversity
- Digital transformation

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- Environment and the fight against climate change
- Participation in democratic life

Projects take the form of the following Key Actions:

- Key Action 1: Learning Mobility for Individuals
- Key Action 2: Cooperation Among Organisations and Institutions

• Key Action 3: Support to Policy Development and Cooperation

#### Who can apply?

In general, any public or private organisation in a Erasmus+ Programme country can apply if they are a legal entity. Sole traders cannot apply for Erasmus funding.

#### **Higher Education**

- Students
- Staff
- Higher Education Institutions

#### Adult Education

- Organisations providing formal, informal and non-formal adult education
- Local and regional public authorities, coordination bodies and other organisations with a role in the field of adult education
- Organisations whose aim is to educate the general public on a specific topic or issue

#### School Education

- All schools pre-primary, primary and post-primary
- Teachers
- Learners individuals or groups/classes
- School Education staff

#### **Vocational Education and Training**

- Organisations providing initial or continuing vocational education and training
- Local and regional public authorities, coordination bodies and other organisations with a role in the field of vocational education and training
- Companies and other public or private organisations hosting, training or otherwise working with learners and apprentices in vocational education and training
- Organisations creating training and/or educational materials for staff, volunteers or other professionals

#### Youth

- Young people
- Youth workers
- Organisations that work directly with and/or advocate for youth

#### Sport

- a public body in charge of sport at local, regional or national level;
- a sport organisation at local, regional, national, European or international level;
- a National Olympic Committee or National Sport confederation;
- an organisation representing the 'sport for all' movement;
- an organisation active in the field of physical activity promotion;
- an organisation representing the active leisure sector;
- an organisation active in the field of education, training or youth.

#### Why the EU funds education, training, youth and sport

Read more about EU policy on the topic of Education, training, youth and sport

#### Budget

€26.2 billion over 7 years.

#### **Project Examples**

The <u>SCOPE</u> project is aimed at third sector staff and volunteers in need of capacity building, skills development and recognition of non-formal learning, particularly those who are socially excluded in such a way that it is difficult for them to access training opportunities.

The <u>Ethics4Sport</u> project investigates and promotes ethics and perceptions of fairness in grassroots sport.

<u>ASPIRE</u> was an international collaborative project that sought to find out how to best support migrants and refugees, building on the wide popularity of sports and other forms of physical activity.

#### **National Contact Point in Ireland**

<u>Léargas</u> for Adult Education, School Education, Vocational Education and Training, and Youth strands

Higher Education Authority for Higher Education strand

Erasmus+ Sport is managed centrally in Brussels by the <u>European Education and Culture</u> <u>Executive Agency</u> and can be contacted at <u>EACEA-SPORT@ec.europa.eu</u>

#### **Open Calls**

Find open calls for Erasmus+.

How to Apply

Find open calls for <u>Erasmus+</u>. Or, see specific calls details below.

ERASMUS+ - Virtual Exchanges in Neighbourhood East

Deadline: 29 April, 2025

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ERASMUS+ - Virtual Exchanges in Sub-Saharan Africa

Deadline: 29 April, 2025

View Detail

ERASMUS+ - Virtual Exchanges in Western Balkans

Deadline: 29 April, 2025

View Detail

ERASMUS+ - Promote an enabling and supportive environment for vocational excellence at national and/or regional level

Deadline: 27 May 2025

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ERASMUS+ - Development of joint VET qualifications and modules

Deadline: 27 May 2025

View Detail

ERASMUS+ - Support to the Pact for Skills

Deadline: 27 May 2025

View Detail

ERASMUS+ - Improving career guidance to support adults' participation in training

Deadline: 27 May 2025

View Detail

ERASMUS+ - Assessment of digital skills and competences

Deadline: 27 May 2025

View Detail

ERASMUS+ - Ethical and effective use of generative Artificial Intelligence systems in education and training

Deadline: 27 May 2025

View Detail

ERASMUS+ - Innovative data collection and exchange approaches in education for datainformed decision-making

Deadline: 27 May 2025

View Detail

#### ERASMUS+ - Centres of Vocational Excellence

Deadline: 11 Jun 2025

View Detail

# Foras na Gaeilge - Youth Events Scheme

Foras na Gaeilge is providing funding for appropriate youth events programmes of twelve sessions through Irish for young people between three and eighteen years of age:

- which aim to strengthen the Irish language through a mix of events;
- that are not residential events;
- which will run between 1 September 2025 and 30 June 2026;
- that are not festivals, competitions, or one day events.

Grants are awarded with public money, and Foras na Gaeilge has statutory duties to ensure the value for money of all funded projects.

Foras na Gaeilge recommends applicants seek joint funding for projects, when appropriate, and to cooperate with other organisations in order to achieve the best value from the Foras na Gaeilge grant.

We particularly welcome applications from organisations located in areas recognised in government strategies or legislation.

How to Apply

Visit the Foras na Gaeilge website for further guidelines.

Deadline: 30 Apr 2025

# Parks Foundation for Animal Welfare - Awards Programme

The Trust founders were William and Charlotte Parks – a compassionate couple with a great devotion to animal welfare. When they first started discussing what sort of legacy they might leave, they were living just outside York, Maine and were already in their seventies. Charlotte had long been an animal activist (before that term was widely used!). She corresponded extensively with representatives from a number of organizations like John Walsh of WSPA, Dr. Barbara Orlans of the Scientists Center for Animal Welfare, Dr. Michael Fox of The Humane Society of the United States, Jim Mason of Animal's Agenda – Animal Rights Network, Robert Brown of Food Animal Concerns Trust and Andrew Rowan.

The foundation's trustees are committed to supporting dynamic initiatives that promise to catalyze progress in animal protection worldwide. The trustees are especially interested in supporting medium or small-sized organizations with good ideas and plans for the use of Parks funding.

The focus of our grantmaking continues to evolve over time, as we embrace new concerns and opportunities to support innovation and leadership in advancing animal protection.

#### **Geographic scope**

The foundation favors applications from outside the United States, understanding that the funds provided often go further in the international arena. That said, our annual funding is divided between organizations in the U.S. and those in other nations.

#### **Academic studies**

The foundation supports academic studies of the human-animal bond, the mitigation or elimination of animal pain and suffering, the effectiveness of humane education, human-animal coexistence and other relevant topics.

The foundation supports advanced animal welfare training, studies in the field of human behavior change and social marketing studies, conferences, student fellowships and the development and validation of non-animal methods in science.

#### **Animal sanctuaries**

The foundation is highly selective in its support of animal sanctuaries.

In areas of new or unmet needs—for example, with respect to volunteer training, social marketing, certification and capacity-building initiatives—the foundation occasionally supports domestic and captive wild animal sanctuary facilities.

We prefer that such sanctuaries be verified or accredited by the Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS) or a comparable organization.

#### Animals in research, testing and education

The foundation welcomes grant applications concerning the advancement of non-animal methods, studies of contemporary animal use in research, testing and education, and related academic and practical research and initiatives to alleviate pain and suffering in animals used in laboratories.

### **Grant Types**

The Parks Foundation currently ONLY considers applications for Project Grants

The Foundation does NOT make capital grants (grants associated with major construction, remodeling, or expansion projects at shelters and other facilities), or general operating grants (i.e., grants to cover fixed or basic costs of administration; or rent or mortgage payments).

Please note that grants will NOT be awarded to improve animal health, provide for spay/neuter assistance, save endangered species, rehabilitate wildlife, conserve/protect wild animal populations, or to support political candidates. Municipalities and municipal agencies are not eligible for grants. While the Parks Foundation encourages spay/neuter and efforts to improve animal health, the Foundation has not need funded to generally support these types of programs, nor does it focus on wildlife or endangered species.

The Parks Foundation makes awards, usually not more than \$10,000 per annum, to support projects, research, and other activities calculated to advance the welfare of animals. The application should describe the need for the project (e.g., how will the status of animals be improved), outline its basic protocols, and discuss its feasibility, the likely chance of its success, and the methods by which it will be evaluated. The applicant organization should provide a projected annual budget and time for completion, and list other entities that have been approached for financial support, and the stage these applications have reached. The qualifications of the project director should also be provided. Proposals will be judged by a number of criteria, including originality, potential impact on animal welfare, the number of animals affected, the project's time frame, and feasibility, the track record of the applicant, the need for the program or data, the public accountability of the organization, and the likelihood of achieving other sources of funding.

Successful applications include:

a) Evidence that the organization or applicant is making a concerted effort to assess the effectiveness of programs;

b) Evidence that the organization has been striving in substantial ways to reduce animal pain, stress, and suffering, and to improve animal welfare.

How to Apply

The grant application window for 2025 - 2026 opens April, 2025.

https://www.parksfoundation.org/

Deadline: 1 May 2025

# **Benefact Group - Movement for Good Awards**

The <u>Benefact Group</u>, does financial services differently – we give all available profits to charity and good causes.

The Movement for Good Awards is our annual programme of giving that anyone can get involved in, and again this year we'll be donating over £1 million to charities and good causes.

#### Nominate a Charity for €1,000

Nominations made from Jan 1st 2025 – December 15th 2025 will be entered into all remaining £1,000 draws. Nominations from previous years do not roll over.

Nominations are accepted between Jan 1st 2025 – 16 Dec 2025.

During this time anyone can nominate their favourite charity or charities for an award of  $\pm$ 1,000 – it's one nomination per charity, per person.

You can nominate a registered charity, not-for-profit organisation or community interest company in the UK, Republic of Ireland, Channel Islands or Isle of Man. <u>Click here</u> to see the full terms and conditions.

There are six £1,000 draws in 2025, so the earlier you nominate, the more chances your charity has of being drawn.

Once you've nominated, your charity will be included in all the remaining £1,000 draws in 2025.

The more nominations a charity gets, the better their chances of being drawn, so once you've nominated please share with your network.

Please note: Nominations from previous years do not roll over.

See full terms and conditions.

#### €5,000 Special Draws

There will be four special draws throughout 2025 – we'll have 10 awards of £5,000 in each draw. See the categories and dates for each draw below and please sign up to receive notifications about any that are of interest to you.

These are special five day draws that support one charity sector each.

If your favourite charity is in the £1,000 draw, you'll need to enter them into the special draw too if they are eligible.

Draw 1: Animals & Wildlife / 17 - 23 Feb Draw 2: Health & Wellbeing / 28 Apr - 4 May Draw 3: Children & Young People / 16 - 22 Jun Draw 4: Arts & Culture / 13 - 19 Oct

See here: <a href="https://movementforgood.com/#specialDraws">https://movementforgood.com/#specialDraws</a>

### **Partnership Funding**

In May we'll be launching our new partnership funding initiative. If you're a charity or know a charity that may be interested in applying, please sign up to our database to make sure you're kept up to date.

### How to Apply

Visit <u>www.movementforgood.com</u> to nominate a charity now.

Deadline(s):

4 May 2025 for £5,000 draw (health & wellbeing)

2 Jun 2025 for for £1,000 draw

# **Culture Ireland Grants**

Culture Ireland operates a range of funding programmes to support and promote the presentation of Irish arts internationally. The current initiatives include a Regular grants round, the See Here scheme, Delegate Scheme and a Showcase programme.

### **Regular Grant Scheme**

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 traditionally 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, freight, accommodation and subsistence. In order for an application to be considered, the applicant must have an international partner or be an international presenter who will provide a fee to the artist and assist with promotion and presentation costs.

There will be four grant rounds in 2025 covering all windows of activity throughout the year. Based on feedback, we are also extending the activity timeline for each round – full details below – please check that your project is eligible prior to submission.

#### https://www.cultureireland.ie/funding/regular-grant/

#### Showcase Scheme

The Showcase Scheme has as its primary aim, the creation of new opportunities for Irish artists to present their work on the global stage.

This aim is achieved through the support of Irish artists to participate at industry showcase events. Where possible as part of their participation. Culture Ireland facilitates artists to present their work to international delegates, including programmers and presenters.

The strategic priorities for the Showcase Scheme are:

To ensure ongoing contact between Irish artists and key international presenters/programmers

To increase awareness and interest by the international sector of recent and new work by Irish artists with a view to future collaboration/partnership/presentation

To provide mentorship for artists with specific reference to presentation of their work in the international environment

To promote high quality digital recordings/promotional materials to showcase Irish artists.

Music from Ireland is a programme, delivered in partnership with First Music Contact to showcase <u>Irish music internationally</u>.

Culture Ireland leads Irish delegations to events such as WOMEX World Music Expo, Classical: NEXT and Folk Alliance International and partners with national resource organisations in the delivery of many of the other Showcases as listed below.

Applications to form part of the Culture Ireland delegations are usually made by open call and must be made online.

Details of all events are posted on the Culture Ireland website.

### https://www.cultureireland.ie/funding/showcase/

#### See Here Scheme

The See Here Scheme is specifically designed to support direct engagement by international promoters and programmers with Irish artists' work in Ireland a view to securing future presentation opportunities abroad.

Culture Ireland support under the See Here Scheme usually involves travel by international delegates to attend festivals where there is a programme of Irish artists being presented and meet artists in person in Ireland. Currently, given travel restrictions these engagements take place digitally and involve a combination of pre-recorded performances and live engagement.

Priority is given to attendance at events where the international delegates will see a range of work by Irish artists and to delegates connected with venues or festivals which have an interest in programming international artists.

Queries regarding Culture Ireland's See Here activity should be sent to: <a href="mailto:showcases@cultureireland.gov.ie">showcases@cultureireland.gov.ie</a>

https://www.cultureireland.ie/funding/see-here/

How to Apply

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https://www.cultureireland.ie/funding/

Deadline: 6 May 2025 (for projects from Aug 25 onwards)

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# **CERV - Call for proposals to prevent and combat gender-based** violence and violence against children (DAPHNE)

Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) is the EU's funding programme for citizens' engagement and the implementation of EU rights and values. It replaces both Europe for Citizens and the Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme.

#### Aims & Objectives

The Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) programme's aims are to:

- protect and promote Union rights and values
- promote rights, non-discrimination, equality, including gender equality
- promote citizens engagement and participation in the democratic life of the Union and exchanges between citizens of different Member States
- raise awareness of the common European history

#### What does it support?

CERV funds activities:

- promoting non-discrimination and gender equality, the rights of the child, European remembrance and citizens' engagement, as well as combat racism and gender-based violence
- strengthening the protection and promotion of the rule of law and democratic dialogue, transparency and good governance
- supporting, empowering and building the capacity of civil society organisations active in the promotion of values and rights, at local, regional, national and transnational level.

Specific activities funded include:

- training activities, workshops, conferences
- mutual learning and cooperation, capacity building
- town twinning
- media campaigns, awareness raising and dissemination activities

#### Who can apply?

Civil society organisations as well as public authorities, European-level networks and think tanks.

#### **EU Policy**

Read more about EU policy on the topic of <u>European citizenship and values.</u>

#### Budget

€1,56 billion over 7 years.

#### **Project Examples**

Examples of funded projects

#### National Contact Point in Ireland

Not yet decided, information will follow soon. Please reach out to the <u>Access Europe team</u> in case you have any questions about the programme.

### How to Apply

Full details for this call are available here: <u>https://www.accesseurope.ie/open-funds/call-for-proposals-to-prevent-and-combat-gender-based-violence-and-violence-against-children-daphne</u>

Deadline: 7 May 2025

# SuperValu TidyTowns Competition

The national SuperValu TidyTowns competition is an annual contest organised by theDepartment of Rural and Community Development. The competition is supported by the title sponsor SuperValu and many other agencies.

The competition involves participating areas being rated on all aspects of their local environment and prizes awarded to the best under many different categories. The overall winner is "Ireland's Tidiest Town". which is announced at a national ceremony in September each year.

With progress monitored and detailed feedback provided year on year, most participants initially enter the competition to generate interest about the environment in their community and create a solid platform on which to raise issues with the relevant authorities. Over time, the areas attain a standard where competing for major prizes is within reach. As such it is very much a development programme for towns and villages across ireland.

Different aspects of the competition are explored in this section, from the types of areas that enter to the assessment criteria used. We hope after reading it, you will be encouraged to enter the competition this year.

# Eligibility

The SuperValu TidyTowns competition is open to all areas, big or small, urban or rural, and each are entered under their respective population categories. These range from the smallest, Category A – Under 200, to the largest, Category H – 25,001 and over. Entry is free regardless of the size of an area.

Entrants are the 'ambassadors' for their area in SuperValu TidyTowns and therefore are the primary contact in relation to correspondence. Ideally, entry should be made by a broad-based group that represents all sectors of the community.

However, it is not expected that these structures have to be in place before entering. Entry from a credible body, such as a Local Authority, Development Agency, Residents' Group or Local Business, will also be accepted. Nonetheless, in all cases, it is expected that participation will be used to generate wider interest in the effort within the community. Progress on encouraging broader community involvement is a major part of the SuperValu TidyTowns' assessment criteria.

The documentation needed to participate is a completed entry form forwarded to the TidyTowns Unit of the Department of Rural and Community Development, either by email, on-

line or via post. Additional information may also be provided with the form to assist the TidyTowns adjudicators in their assessment.

All participants are encouraged to prepare a multi-annual strategic plan to guide their activities. This may be forwarded with the entry form when available. However, it is not a requirement for entry.

### Prizes

On average there are over 300 prizes given out each year, with approximately €230,000 of the total prize fund of €300,000 awarded under the main competition. The rest is awarded in special prizes outside the main competition.

All main prizes are based on the scores achieved by entrants in the competition as follows -

- Endeavour Awards for the biggest improvement by an entrant in each county from the previous year.
- County Awards for the top three entrants in each county.
- Regional Awards for the top-scoring entrant in each region.
- Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals for entrants with scores that fall within a set range from that year's winning score.
- Category Awards for the highest scoring entrants in the Village, Small Town, Large Town and Large Urban Centre categories.
- Ireland's Tidiest Town Award for the highest scoring entrant in the whole competition.

There are also separate awards sections for Island entrants and Gaeltacht entrants.

# 2025 SPECIAL AWARD ENTRY FORMS

Our sponsored Special Awards are organised in parallel to the main competition and look to reward initiatives focused on improving your community. Entry is open to all TidyTowns Groups as well as other interested individuals or groups. We are delighted to announce a new sponsors under our Special Awards category for 2025.

See special awards here: <u>https://www.tidytowns.ie/competition/2025-special-award-entry-forms/</u>

Note: the deadline for Special Awards is 9 June 2025, separate to the main competition deadline.

### How to Apply

<u>Visit the Tidy Towns website</u> for full information.

Deadline(s):

12 May 2025 (main competition)

9 Jun 2025 (special awards)

# **Creative Europe**

Creative Europe is the EU's funding programme for providing support to the culture and audiovisual sectors.

#### Aims & Objectives

The Creative Europe programme aims

- to strengthen the transnational creation and circulation of European works and artists;
- to enhance the capacity of European cultural and creative sectors to nurture talents, to innovate, to prosper and to generate jobs and growth.

#### What does it support?

<u>CULTURE strand</u>: initiatives promoting and enhancing artistic and cultural cooperation at European level

<u>MEDIA strand</u>: actions encouraging the competitiveness, innovation and sustainability of the European audiovisual sector

<u>CROSS-SECTORAL strand</u>: initiatives promoting innovative actions and collaboration across the audiovisual and cultural sectors

#### Who can apply?

Non-profit organisations, municipalities, associations, town councils, charities, foundations, etc.

The sectors funded may include architecture, archives, libraries and museums, artistic crafts, audiovisual (including film, television, video games and multimedia), tangible and intangible cultural heritage, design (including fashion design), festivals, music, literature, performing arts, (including theatre and dance), books and publishing, radio, and visual arts.

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### Why the EU funds art and creativity

Read more about EU policy on the topic of <u>Arts, creativity and heritage.</u>

### Budget

### €2,54 billion over 7 years.

#### **Project Examples**

#### Currently funded projects in Ireland

Creative Europe: Culture cooperation projects selected from 2014 to 2020

#### National Contact Point in Ireland

Creative Europe Desk Ireland

#### How to Apply

Find open calls for <u>Creative Europe</u>, or see below:

Creative Europe - European Cooperation Projects Small Scale

Deadline: 13 May 2025

#### Full details here.

Creative Europe - European Cooperation Projects Medium Scale

Deadline: 13 May 2025

Full details here.

# **Rethink Ireland - Empower Tech Futures Fund**

Rethink Ireland with the support of the JP Morgan Chase Foundation, the Department of Rural and Community Development and BNY has created a three-year Empower Tech Futures Fund to support up to 5 projects or organisations over 3 years that are supporting vulnerable young adults aged 18-30 into employment, with a special focus on digital and technology skills and the Dublin and/or Cork regions.

The overarching goal of the Empower Tech Futures Fund is to tackle disparities in opportunity and access to employment for young adults at a disadvantage. It will do so by supporting organisations working with young people to access employment to scale their reach and impact.

The fund will focus on projects/organisations tailored towards the multiple challenges and barriers facing young adults, which include:

- Limited awareness of career options and jobs
- Lack of general or technical skills or qualifications desired by employers including digital and technology skills
- Insufficient support/social networks to access and thrive in employment

By providing a range of support initiatives for young people, from guidance and coaching to skills development to work placements, the fund aims to reduce barriers to employment and facilitate their smooth transition into the workforce.

#### Target Groups:

This fund will work with organisations/projects that directly support beneficiaries who are young people aged 18-30 from disadvantaged areas towards and into employment, with a special focus on digital and technology skills and the Dublin and/or Cork regions.

The fund offers a package of cash grants and non-financial supports to the value of almost €240,000 per project for up to 5 projects, to help them expand and increase their social impact.

This includes:

- Up to 5 cash grants of up to €240,000
- The non-financial supports will include:

- a place on Rethink Ireland's Accelerator Programme
- bespoke business and capacity building supports designed in consultation with the successful projects on topics such as strategic planning, maximising your impact, communications, storytelling and fundraising.
- access to Rethink Ireland's networks.

Rethink Ireland Board will decide how much money to award, which may be less than the amount requested. The final amount of the award will depend on how many organisations are selected.

### Eligibility

This fund is open to organisations that have a not-for-profit legal form, e.g. a company limited by guarantee, a co-operative, trust, charity, and other voluntary organisations that meet the following criteria:

#### Eligibility & Criteria

Projects must meet both Rethink Ireland's criteria and the specific criteria for Empower Tech Futures Fund, as set out below:

#### **Rethink Ireland Core Criteria**

- The project must address a critical social or environmental issue
- The project must be innovative in an Irish context
- The project must be based on the island of Ireland and must make its main impact in the Republic of Ireland
- The project must have potential and a desire to scale or replicate in Ireland (it may also have potential internationally, but this is not a requirement)
- The project must provide evidence that it is up and running, or has been tested at least in a minimal way.
- Applicants must come from an entity that has a not-for-profit legal form, e.g. a company limited by guarantee, a co-operative, trust, charity.

Rethink Ireland defines a not-for-profit as any organisation whose constitution indicates it has public benefit purposes and is neither privately owned nor controlled by the State.

#### **Empower Tech Futures Fund Criteria**

Projects/Organisations will:

- Focus on young people aged 18-30 who are disadvantaged in the labour market
- Have a strong focus on the Dublin and/or Cork regions (among others potentially)
- Take a holistic approach based on the range of barriers to employment for young people
- Support young people aged 18-30 into quality internship, employment and/or apprenticeship programmes and/or full-time & paid work placements
- Have the motivation, capacity and a credible plan to scale their services to reach more disadvantaged young people over time
- Have the service delivery experience and capacity to contribute to the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the fund\*

\*The overall key performance indicators for this fund are: 1) 2,600 young people at a disadvantage in the labour market are reached and supported. 2) 580 young people enrol in further skills training or job readiness programmes offered by awardees 3) of these 580 young people, at least 500-600 young people secure employment.

Each awardee should help to achieve these overall targets. Applicants should clarify in their application the numbers that they will reach.

#### Advantageous Criteria

- Actively engage with young adults experiencing disadvantage in the design of their programmes
- Seek to develop digital and technology skills that are in demand across a range of employment sectors
- Involve collaboration among education/training providers and employers

# How to Apply

You can apply to Empower Tech Futures Fund via this <u>online</u> form.

For any queries, please contact us at: <a href="mailto:empowertech@rethinkireland.ie">empowertech@rethinkireland.ie</a>

https://rethinkireland.ie/current\_fund/empower-tech-futures-fund/

Deadline: 15 May 2025

# **EYF Grants - Pilot Activity Grant**

The European Youth Foundation (EYF) is a fund established in 1972 by the Council of Europe to provide financial support for European youth activities. Its purpose is to encourage co-operation among young people in Europe by providing financial support to such European youth activities which serve the promotion of peace, understanding and co-operation in a spirit of respect for the Council of Europe's fundamental values such as human rights, democracy, tolerance and solidarity.

Pilot activity grants refer to projects that:

- address young people's needs or challenges at a local level.
- contribute to the <u>priorities of the youth sector of the Council of Europe</u>, in particular to the 2025 focus themes
- are based on innovation, either in terms of methodology for the target group and/or the organisation and the context, or on replication of good practice
- have a clear youth dimension and contribute to youth participation
- have a clear local impact
- follow the basic principles of youth work, <u>non-formal education</u> and intercultural dialogue
- contribute to social cohesion, by combating exclusion and the prevention of phenomena specifically affecting young people
- help young people, particularly disadvantaged young people, to find ways of meeting both the challenges facing them and their own aspirations.

Pilot activities are flexible in their format and may utilise a range of approaches, such as youth meetings, capacity building sessions, awareness raising actions, meetings with experts, local workshops, local actions, visits, campaigns, workshops in schools, festivals etc.

The maximum duration of a pilot activity project can be up to one year. The project must start at least 3 months after the deadline.

#### Focus themes 2025

The following focus themes for pilot activity grants were approved by Joint Council on Youth within the <u>youth sector priorities</u>:

• Human rights education with and by young people

This includes the possibility to apply to the EYF for a pilot activity grants for:

- initiatives that support the <u>Council of Europe Charter on Education for Democratic</u> <u>Citizenship and Human Rights Education</u> and the role of youth NGOs in its implementation
- initiatives that support young people's democratic engagement in the revitalisation of democracy (cfr. <u>Reykjavík Declaration</u>)
- initiatives that support climate action and awareness on the right to a healthy environment, following the <u>CM Recommendation (2024)6 on young people and climate</u> <u>action</u> adopted on 23 October 2024.

#### Peacebuilding, conflict transformation and intercultural dialogue

This includes the possibility to apply to the EYF for a pilot activity grants for:

- initiatives that associate young people and their organisations with peacebuilding and intercultural dialogue
- initiatives that emerge from flagship activities of the Council of Europe's youth sector, such as the Youth Peace Camp
- initiatives strengthening young people's agency and capacities to prevent violence, transform conflict and to build a culture of peace and human rights.

#### Grant amount

The maximum grant for a Pilot Activity is €15 000. The EYF can cover the all real costs of the activity up to this amount. The EYF will initiate the payment of the first instalment – 80% of the grant awarded – approximately 4 weeks before the start of your activity. However, it can take up to 4 weeks until the money arrives into your bank account. The remaining 20% will be paid upon receipt and approval of the final report (check the <u>Reporting</u> page).

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### Eligibility

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**Regional networks of youth NGOs** 

National youth NGOs

Local youth NGOs

If an interested organisation is not yet registered with the EYF, please register as soon as possible. More information can be found <u>here.</u>

How to Apply

Every NGO interested in applying to the European Youth Foundation has to be registered with us (see additional information on <u>Registration</u>) and go through the <u>application process</u>.

For further criteria and registration, <u>please visit the EYF website</u>.

Deadline: 15 May 2025

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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.

How to Apply

Learn more here.

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Deadline: 31 May 2025

# Irish Hospice Foundation - Scholarships in End-of-Life & Bereavement Care

Irish Hospice Foundation offers a small number of scholarships up to the value of €3,000 each to make education in end-of-life and bereavement care accessible to multiple disciplines (nursing, medicine, allied health professionals and others). Two scholarships will be reserved for those working in palliative care.

Applicants from acute, nursing home and community health sectors, including counsellors/therapists in private practice, as well as applicants from general voluntary community/sectors, are invited to apply for our scholarships. We are now accepting applications for the 2025/2026 academic year.

## Eligibility

Applicants must be eligible to register (or already be registered) for a named and accredited post-graduate NFQ Level 9 or 10 (or equivalent) study programme in a relevant area during the current academic year.

Applicants must be working or volunteering in support of adult or child end-of-life or bereavement care in one of the following settings:

- Acute settings
- Residential Care homes
- Community health care
- General voluntary/community
- Appropriate study leave must have been secured.
- Applicants must normally be resident in Ireland and eligible for EU fees.

#### Conditions

The course of study must be successfully completed in the year for which funding was awarded.

Awardees will be asked to write or record a short account of their learning on successful completion of the study period.

Any publications or conference outputs arising directly from the period of study should acknowledge Irish Hospice Foundation funding.

How to Apply

To apply and learn more about the scholarships, visit: <u>https://hospicefoundation.ie/our-</u>supports-services/education-training/scholarships-in-end-of-life-and-bereavement-care/

For any questions about the scholarships or application process, email: <u>bereavementadmin@hospicefoundation.ie</u>.

Deadline: 31 May 2025

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# The Hospital Saturday Fund Charity

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

The Hospital Saturday Fund has two grant categories:

1. Standard grants of up to £2,000 or €3,000

OR

2. Large grants to up to £10,000 or €13,500 (please note this is the maximum sum that HSF will grant).

## 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 adaptions, 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, nonslip flooring, stair lifts.

## How to Apply

Full guidelines and access to online applications are <u>available here</u>.

Deadline: 11 Jun 2025 (large grants)

# ESF+ - Support EU networks active in the areas of social economy and social finance

The European Social Fund Plus (ESF+) aims to support member states and regions to improve employment and education opportunities, to enhance social inclusion and to tackle poverty.

ESF+ is a combination of four funds from the 2014-2020 programming period: the European Social Fund (ESF), the Fund for European Aid to the most Deprived (FEAD), the Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) and the European Programme for Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI).

#### Aims & Objectives

The European Social Fund Plus (ESF+) aims to achieve:

- high employment levels
- fair social protection
- the eradication of poverty
- a skilled and resilient workforce
- equal access to the labour market
- fair and quality working conditions
- social protection and inclusion

ESF+ has a particular focus on:

- quality and inclusive education and training
- lifelong learning
- investment in children and young people
- access to basic services

#### What does it support?

ESF+ co-funds local, regional and national employment-related projects.

Its funding focuses on the following priorities:

- Social Inclusion
- Active inclusion
- Socio-economic integration of third-country nationals
- Socio-economic integration of marginalised communities, such as Roma people
- Equal access to quality services and modernising social protection systems
- Social integration of people at risk of poverty and social exclusion
- Addressing material deprivation
- Education and Skills
- Better education and training systems at all levels
- Equal access to quality education and training
- Upskilling, reskilling and lifelong learning for all
- Employment
- Access to quality employment for all, including youth employment
- Modernising labour market institutions and services
- Gender-balanced labour market participation
- Adaptation of workers, enterprises and entrepreneurs to change.

#### Who can apply?

Civil society organisations, public authorities or bodies, social security institutions and employment services, as well as microfinance institutions and institutions providing finance to social enterprises or other social investment actors.

#### Why the EU funds employment and social inclusion

Read more about EU policy on the topic of <u>Human rights, justice and equality.</u>

#### Budget

#### €99 billion over 7 years.

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ESF+ is a co-financed programme, meaning that EU funding must be matched by a set percentage of national funding.

#### **Project Examples**

#### Funded projects in Ireland

#### **National Contact Point in Ireland**

For Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI) contact <u>The Wheel</u> at easi@wheel.ie.

For ESF contact the ESF Managing Authority <u>here</u>. Email: esf@dfheris.gov.ie

#### How to Apply

Find open calls for <u>ESF+</u>, or see below:

ESF+ - Support EU networks active in the areas of social economy and social finance

#### Learn more here

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Deadline: 19 Jun 2025

## **MSCA COFUND 2025**

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions are part of the wider <u>Horizon Europe</u> research and innovation funding programme and support researchers at all stages of their careers, across all research disciplines and in all employment sectors.

This call co-finances new or existing doctoral programmes and postdoctoral fellowship schemes.

#### Call detail

MSCA COFUND co-finances new or existing doctoral programmes and postdoctoral fellowship schemes with the aim of spreading the best practices of the MSCA including international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary research training, as well as international and cross-sectoral mobility of researchers at all stages of their career.

In practice, MSCA COFUND provides complementary funding for doctoral or postdoctoral programmes managed by entities established in EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries. Those co-funded programmes must follow MSCA's good practice in terms of international recruitment and minimum standard of employment for the recruited fellows as described in the European Charter for Researchers.

#### **Expected impact**

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Proposals under this Action should contribute to the following expected impacts:

- Enhance talent and knowledge circulation across the R&I landscape, through international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility, including by supporting regional or national smart specialisation strategies when appropriate;
- Align practices with MSCA policies based on the European Charter for Researchers;
- Improve the attractiveness of researchers' careers notably through better working and employment conditions;
- Strengthen Europe's human capital base in R&I by training highly-skilled researchers;
- Increase Europe's attractiveness as a leading R&I destination;
- Enhance the quality of R&I contributing to Europe's sustainable competitiveness;
- Establish sustainable collaboration between academic and non-academic organisations;

• Foster the culture of open science, innovation and entrepreneurship.

#### Expected Outcome

Projects results are expected to contribute to the following outcomes:

- For supported doctoral candidates or postdoctoral researchers
- Deeper and more diverse set of research-related and transferable skills and competences;
- Improved employability and career prospects both within academia and beyond;
- New mind-sets and approaches to R&I work forged through international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary experience;
- Enhanced networking and communication capacities with scientific peers, as well as with the general public that will increase and broaden the research and innovation impact.

#### For participating organisations

- Enhanced quality and sustainability of research training;
- Increased global attractiveness, visibility and reputation of the participating organisation(s);
- Stronger R&I capacity and output among participating organisations;
- Increased contribution of the participating organisations to the local, regional and/or national socio-economic ecosystems;
- Regular feedback of research results into teaching and education at participating organisations.

#### Scope

Applicants submit proposals for new or existing doctoral or postdoctoral programmes with an impact on the enhancement of human resources in R&I at regional, national or international level. These programmes will be co-funded by MSCA COFUND.

Proposed programmes can cover any research disciplines ("bottom-up"), but exceptionally can also focus on specific disciplines, notably when they are based on national or regional Research

and Innovation Strategies for Smart Specialisation (RIS3 strategies). In this case, the range of covered disciplines should allow reasonable flexibility for the researchers to define their topic.

Funding synergies with Cohesion policy funds and the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) are strongly encouraged.

A Career Development Plan must be jointly established by the supervisor and each recruited researcher upon recruitment. In addition to research objectives, this Plan comprises the researcher's training and career needs, including training on transferable skills, teaching, planning for publications and participation in conferences and events aimed at opening science and research to citizens. The Plan must be established at the beginning of the recruitment and should be revised (and updated where needed) within 18 months.

COFUND takes the form of:

#### A) Doctoral programmes

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Doctoral programmes offer research training activities to allow doctoral candidates to develop and broaden their skills and competences. They will lead to the award of a doctoral degree in at least one EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country. The training activities should be based on the <u>EU Principles on Innovative Doctoral Training</u>.

Substantial training modules, including digital ones, addressing key transferable skills and competences common to all fields, fostering good scientific conduct such as research integrity, and fostering the culture of Open Science, innovation and entrepreneurship will be supported. They will include, inter alia, training on the use of collaborative tools and approaches, opening access to publications and to other research outputs including data, FAIR data management, societal engagement and citizen science.

On top of compulsory international mobility, applicants are encouraged to include elements of cross-sectoral mobility and interdisciplinarity into their programmes. Collaboration with a wider set of associated partners, including from the non-academic sector, will be positively taken into account during the evaluation. These organisations may provide hosting or secondment opportunities or training modules in research or transferable skills.

Particular attention is paid to the quality of supervision and mentoring arrangements as well as career guidance. The selection procedure for doctoral candidates must be open, transparent and merit-based, in line with the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers. The vacancy notice (to be widely advertised internationally, including on the EURAXESS[3] website) must mention if the published rates include all employer and employee's taxes and

contributions. If possible, the gross salary (net salary + employee's taxes and contributions) should be published.

#### **B)** Postdoctoral Programmes

Postdoctoral Programmes fund individual advanced research training and career development fellowships for postdoctoral researchers. The programmes should offer training to develop key transferable skills and competences common to all fields, foster good scientific conduct such as research integrity, foster innovation and entrepreneurship and promote and (where appropriate) reward Open Science practices (open access to publications and to other research outputs including data, FAIR data management, societal engagement and citizen science, etc.).

Postdoctoral Programmes should have regular selection rounds following fixed deadlines or regular cut-off dates, allowing fair competition between researchers. The selection procedure for postdoctoral candidates must be open, competitive, merit-based and with a transparent international peer review, in line with the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers. The vacancy notice (to be widely advertised internationally, including on the EURAXESS website) must mention if the published rates include all employer and employee's taxes and contributions. If possible, the gross salary (net salary + employee's taxes and contributions) should be published.

On top of compulsory international mobility, applicants are encouraged to include elements of cross-sectoral mobility and interdisciplinarity into their programmes. Researchers will be able to freely choose a research topic and the appropriate organisation to host them, fitting their individual needs.

### Eligibility

#### Participating organisations:

Applications must be submitted by a single entity established in an EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country.

Affiliated entities are not allowed to participate as they cannot claim costs in MSCA COFUND.

The conditions for financial support to third parties defined in General Annex B do not apply.

International organisations with headquarters in an EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country will be deemed to be established in this Member State or Associated Country. The beneficiary will be responsible for the availability of the necessary complementary funds to implement the proposal.

In each COFUND action, a minimum of three researchers must be recruited.

COFUND proposals foreseeing research training for fewer than three researchers will be deemed ineligible.

Implementing partners must be established in one of the countries eligible for funding listed in the General Annexes.

#### **Recruited researchers:**

Recruited researchers can be of any nationality (see also specific condition for COFUND Postdoctoral Programmes below) and must comply with the following mobility rule: they must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country of the recruiting beneficiary or implementing partner for more than 12 months in the 36 months immediately before the deadline of the co-funded programme's call.

Supported researchers must be either doctoral candidates or postdoctoral researchers, depending on the action

For COFUND Postdoctoral Programmes: researchers must be nationals or long-term residents of an EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country, in case the main part of the research training activities is carried out in a country other than an EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country.

Limitations regarding the researchers' origin and destination should be avoided. Researchers who are already permanently employed by the organisation hosting them cannot be funded by COFUND.

#### Budget

Total indicative budget EUR 101 820 280.

#### Duration

The maximum duration of the action must be 60 months from the starting date set out in the grant agreement. It also includes the time that is needed to select and recruit the researchers.

#### Support

Check the MSCA COFUND 2025 Guide for Applicants

How to Apply

Full call details available here.

Deadline: 24 Jun 2025

# **Additional Resources**

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

- <u>Fundraising Guidance Library</u> Get acquainted with the basics of fundraising knowledge.
- 2. <u>Access Europe</u> An EU funding support service for Irish civil society

#### **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: <u>paul@wheel.ie</u> and we'll get back to you shortly. <u>www.wheel.ie</u>.