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# Index Key - Departments

<b>DAFM</b>	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
<b>DCEDIY</b>	Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth
<b>D.Ed</b>	Department of Education
<b>DETE</b>	Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment
<b>D.Fin</b>	Department of Finance
<b>DFA</b>	Department of Foreign Affairs
<b>DFHERIS</b>	Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science
<b>DoH</b>	Department of Health
<b>DHLGH</b>	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
<b>DoJ</b>	Department of Justice
<b>DPER</b>	Department of Public Expenditure and Reform
<b>DRCD</b>	Department of Rural and Community Development
<b>DSP</b>	Department of Social Protection
<b>DECC</b>	Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications
<b>D.Taoiseach</b>	Department of Taoiseach
<b>DTCAGSM</b>	Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sports and Media
<b>D.Transport</b>	Department of Transport



# Goal 1 End poverty in all its forms everywhere



Target	Target Details	Lead Dept	Stakeholders	Relevant National Policy	National Policy Key objectives	Stakeholder Engagement Activities in Place	Point of Contact
1.1	By 2030, eradicate extreme poverty for all people everywhere, currently measured as people living on less than \$1.25 a day	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World commits Ireland to reaching the furthest behind first with the necessary policies, resources and tools to effectively tackle extreme poverty and inequality.	In the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World, extensive consultation was carried out with stakeholders who continue to be engaged with on topical development issues and through the Civil Society Unit in the Development Cooperation and African Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
			DFIN	Ongoing engagement with IFIs.; A Better World; The Global Island, Partnership strategies (SIDS, Africa and Asia Pacific)	Using Ireland's policy for international development, A Better World, in particular the commitment to the furthest behind first; in addition to guidance from The Global Island, and Ireland's partnership strategies (SIDS, Africa and the Asia Pacific); the Department will assist to progress the eradication of extreme poverty through ongoing engagement with International Financial Institutions who have aims closely aligned with this goal.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie / SDGs@finance.gov.ie
1.2	By 2030, reduce at least by half the proportion of men, women and children of all ages living in poverty in all its dimensions according to national definitions	DSP	DCEDIY	<u>Roadmap for Social Inclusion 2020 - 2025</u>	Roadmap for Social Inclusion 2020 - 2025 aims to reduce the number of people in consistent poverty in Ireland to 2% or less and to position Ireland within the top five countries in the EU.	DSP holds an Annual Social Inclusion Forum where key stakeholders are invited to speak on their experiences. DSP also engages in year-round consultation with the Community & Voluntary Pillar.	social.inclusion@welfare.ie
1.3	Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, including floors, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable	DSP		<u>Roadmap for Social Inclusion 2020 - 2025</u>	National Social Target for Poverty Reduction: reduce consistent poverty to 2% or less by 2025; and to position Ireland within the top five countries in the EU under a number of leading social inclusion	DSP holds an Annual Social Inclusion Forum where key stakeholders are invited to speak on their experiences. DSP also engages in year-round consultation with the Community & Voluntary Pillar.	social.inclusion@welfare.ie
1.4	By 2030, ensure that all men and women, in particular the poor and the vulnerable, have equal rights to economic resources, as well as access to basic services, ownership and control over land and other forms of property, inheritance, natural resources, appropriate new technology and financial services, including microfinance	DFA	DFIN	Ongoing engagement with IFIs.; A Better World; The Global Island, Partnership strategies (SIDS, Africa and Asia Pacific)	The Department will ensure that our key foreign policy and development priorities, derived from A Better World, (including Gender Equality and Women's economic empowerment) are reflected in International Financial Institutions operations and strategies.  The Department will assist to progress this goal through ongoing engagement with International Financial Institutions who have aims closely aligned with this goal.	In the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World, extensive consultation was carried out with stakeholders who continue to be engaged with on topical development issues and through the Civil Society Unit in the Development Cooperation and African Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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1.5	By 2030, build the resilience of the poor and those in vulnerable situations and reduce their exposure and vulnerability to climate-related extreme events and other economic, social and environmental shocks and disasters	DHLGH		<u>Housing for All</u>	Housing for All a multi-annual, multi-billion euro plan which will improve Ireland's housing system and deliver more homes of all types for people with different housing needs.	A wide range of fora are in place to engage with stakeholders including regular meetings of the High Level Housing Delivery Working Group and the National Homeless Action Committee (NHAC). NHAC is a cross-governmental and inter-agency oversight group with membership drawn from key Departments, state bodies and NGOs. Its overarching objective is to ensure that a renewed emphasis is brought to collaborating across Government to implement actions in Housing for All, along with bringing better coherence and coordination of homeless-related services in delivering policy measures and actions to address homelessness. Beyond this, the Committee will also have a role in addressing emerging homeless-related issues and in developing further responses. There are two dedicated stakeholder forums relating to Traveller and Roma specific issues: - the National Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (NTACC) which meets every 4-6 weeks, and the Steering Group meeting of the National Traveller and Roma Integration Strategy (NTRIS) which meets every quarter.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
1.a	Ensure significant mobilization of resources from a variety of sources, including through enhanced development cooperation, in order to provide adequate and predictable means for developing countries, in particular least developed countries, to implement programmes and policies to end poverty in all its dimensions	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World provides the framework for Ireland's expanding development programme, in line with our commitment to reach the UN target of allocating 0.7% of our GNI to official development assistance (ODA) by 2030. It commits Ireland to scaling up resources and capacity across the following four policy priorities: gender equality; reducing humanitarian need; climate action; and strengthening governance.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
			DFIN	Ongoing engagement with IFIs; A Better World.; The Global Island	The Department will encourage cooperation between IFIs to maximise available resources, ensure their effective allocation; and engage with IFIs to ensure Ireland's international policy priority to reduce humanitarian need, is appropriately reflected and progressed in the governance, policies and operations of each institution.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division	SDGs@finance.gov.ie

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1.b	Create sound policy frameworks at the national, regional and international levels, based on pro-poor and gender-sensitive development strategies, to support accelerated investment in poverty eradication actions	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World commits Ireland to reaching the furthest behind first with the necessary policies, resources and tools to effectively tackle extreme poverty and inequality.	In the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World, extensive consultation was carried out with stakeholders who continue to be engaged with on topical development issues and through the Civil Society Unit in the Development Cooperation and African Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
			DFIN	<u>Ongoing engagement with IFIs; A Better World; The Global Island</u>	The Department will encourage cooperation between IFIs to maximise available resources, ensure their effective allocation; and engage with IFIs to ensure Ireland's international policy priority to reduce humanitarian need, is appropriately reflected and progressed in the governance, policies and operations of each institution.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division	SDGs@finance.gov.ie

# Goal 2 End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture



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2.1	By 2030, end hunger and ensure access by all people, in particular the poor and people in vulnerable situations, including infants, to safe, nutritious and sufficient food all year round	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	Combatting poverty and hunger is one of Ireland's flagship foreign policies, reflecting the historic focus of Ireland's development cooperation. A Better World identifies "Food" as a key area of intervention. It commits Ireland to refreshing its approach to hunger and undernutrition within sustainable food systems and to strengthening its integrated resilience approach to hunger and nutrition in development and humanitarian settings. Through participation in the National Famine Commemoration Committee, we will seek to foster research into, and awareness of, the Irish experience as a basis for Irish advocacy for the elimination of famine and hunger worldwide.	Ireland's national dialogue in preparation for the UN Food Systems Summit in September 2021; The establishment of the National Task Team for Rural Africa, drawing on a broad range of stakeholders across private sector, academia, state agencies, NGOs and Government Departments.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
			DAFM	<u>National Task Team on Rural Africa (NTTRA)</u>	Establishment of Ireland Africa Rural Development Committee (IARDC) responsible for the ensuring the implementation, accountability and resourcing of the NTTRA Report's recommendations.	DAFM have held/hold a stakeholder consultation process.	harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie
2.2	By 2030, end all forms of malnutrition, including achieving, by 2025, the internationally agreed targets on stunting and wasting in children under 5 years of age, and address the nutritional needs of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women and older persons	DoH		<u>A Healthy Weight for Ireland – Obesity Policy and Action Plan 2016-2025</u>	A sustained downward trend (averaging 0.5% per annum as measured by the Healthy Ireland Survey) in the level of excess weight averaged across all adults; a sustained downward trend (averaging 0.5% per annum as measured by Child Obesity Surveillance Ireland (COSI)) in the level of excess weight in children; and a reduction in the gap in obesity levels between the highest and lowest socioeconomic groups by 10%, as measured by the Healthy Ireland and COSI surveys.	Implementation of the Obesity Policy and Action Plan is overseen by the Obesity Policy Implementation Oversight Group, which is chaired by the Department of Health and has representatives from Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine; Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth; Department of Social Protection; Department of Education; Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage; University College Cork; the Food Safety Authority of Ireland; the Health Service Executive (HSE) - including the National Clinical Lead for Obesity; and Safefood.	seamus_oreilly@health.gov.ie
				<u>Women's Health Taskforce</u>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group.	womenshealthtaskforce@health.gov.ie
2.3	By 2030, double the agricultural productivity and incomes of small-scale food producers, in particular women, indigenous peoples, family farmers, pastoralists and fishers, including through secure and equal access to land, other productive resources and inputs, knowledge, financial services, markets and opportunities for value addition and non-farm employment	DAFM		Irish participation in the work of the Codex Alimentarius Commission			pat.kelly@agriculture.gov.ie
			DFA	<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World recognises the role the private sector and well-functioning markets can play in enhancing agricultural productivity and supporting smallholder farmers. It commits Ireland to deepening its focus on agricultural markets and investment in development, including links to the Irish private sector. A Better World also commits Ireland to supporting inclusive economic growth around agriculture, especially for women and young people. Ireland will seek to create a new funding initiative for women's economic empowerment with an explicit focus on agriculture.	Ireland's national dialogue in preparation for the UN Food Systems Summit in September 2021; The establishment of the National Task Team for Rural Africa, drawing on a broad range of stakeholders across private sector, academia, state agencies, NGOs and Government Departments	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie



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2.4	By 2030, ensure sustainable food production systems and implement resilient agricultural practices that increase productivity and production, that help maintain ecosystems, that strengthen capacity for adaptation to climate change, extreme weather, drought, flooding and other disasters and that progressively improve land and soil quality	DAFM		Foodwise 2025 (Agri-Food 2030 SEA currently out for public consultation)	For Ireland to be a global leader in sustainable food production building on our national advantages and specific objectives articulated in the Strategy.	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: public consultation, public forum, SEA public consultation, High Level Implementation meetings.	karl.walsh@agriculture.gov.ie
				National Animal Health Surveillance Strategy 2016 -2021	Development of an animal health surveillance strategy, covering governance, communications, surveillance quality and prioritisation	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: public consultation, a high level steering group. Strategy was also publicly launched by Minister.	damien.barrett@agriculture.gov.ie
				CAP Strategic Plan	To further improve the sustainable development of farming, food and rural areas	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: SWOT public consultation, SEA Scoping public consultation, CAP Consultative Committee, SEA public consultation, a Monitoring Committee.	corina.roe@agriculture.gov.ie
				Organic Food Sector Strategy for Development 2019-2025 8 Feb 21	To further develop a viable Organic Food sector in Ireland enhancing the sustainability credentials of Irish food	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: public consultation, Implementation Group meetings.	joan.furlong@agriculture.gov.ie
			DHLGH	<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

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2.5	By 2020, maintain the genetic diversity of seeds, cultivated plants and farmed and domesticated animals and their related wild species, including through soundly managed and diversified seed and plant banks at the national, regional and international levels, and promote access to and fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge, as internationally agreed	DAFM		Crop Variety Evaluation Programme	DAFM is obliged by EU legislation to provide crop breeders with a national system of plant variety evaluation and registration.	DAFM have held/hold a public forum.	michael.moloney@agriculture.gov.ie
				Seed Certification	DAFM is the certifying authority for Seed Certification in Ireland. This is an EU wide quality assurance system, underpinned by the EU Seeds Directives and Regulations, whereby seed intended for marketing is subject to official control and inspection to ensure minimum standards throughout the EU.	DAFM have held/hold a public forum.	michael.moloney@agriculture.gov.ie
				Conservation of Genetic Resources	This programme provides funding to projects aimed at conserving native genetic resources in the plant, animal, forestry, aquatic and microorganisms and invertebrate domains. In addition a national gene bank containing germplasm for various crops and the potato collection is maintained. The purpose of the gene bank is to preserve seed in long term storage for potential future use particularly in crop breeding.	DAFM have held/hold a public forum.	michael.moloney@agriculture.gov.ie
			DHLGH	<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan. <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a> The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
2.a	Increase investment, including through enhanced international cooperation, in rural infrastructure, agricultural research and extension services, technology development and plant and livestock gene banks in order to enhance agricultural productive capacity in developing countries, in particular least developed countries	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World acknowledges that smart investment in sustainable agriculture also has the potential to provide youth employment, with a focus on commercialising farms and strengthening agri-food value chain. It recognises the potential for greater input from the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, as well as Teagasc and Irish universities. It notes that linkages to the emerging need to tackle food systems, to the role of nutrition in the humanitarian development nexus, to climate adaptation, to gender inequality and Ireland's engagement with the private sector will all receive additional attention and effort.	Ireland's national dialogue in preparation for the UN Food Systems Summit in September 2021; The establishment of the National Task Team for Rural Africa, drawing on a broad range of stakeholders across private sector, academia, state agencies, NGOs and Government Departments	dcdsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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2.b	Correct and prevent trade restrictions and distortions in world agricultural markets, including through the parallel elimination of all forms of agricultural export subsidies and all export measures with equivalent effect, in accordance with the mandate of the Doha Development Round	DAFM	DETE	World Trade Organisation (WTO) Export Competition Ministerial Decision of 19 December 2015, the 'Nairobi Package', WT/MIN(15)/45	Ireland works with the European Commission and Member State colleagues to ensure elimination of export subsidies in accordance with the agreement struck at the WTO Ministerial Conference in Nairobi in 2015.	No information provided, please email the contact point for further information.	harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie
2.c	Adopt measures to ensure the proper functioning of food commodity markets and their derivatives and facilitate timely access to market information, including on food reserves, in order to help limit extreme food price volatility	DAFM		Food Wise Strategic Blueprint for Agri-Food Sector	To ensure up-to-date and timely provision of relevant data to the CSO and European Commission in line with EU legislative requirements.	No information provided, please email the contact point for further information.	harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie

# Goal 3 Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages



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3.1	By 2030, reduce the global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100,000 live births	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	As set out in A Better World, Ireland will strengthen interventions in health to reach the furthest behind first. This has become particularly important in the context of assisting partner countries respond to COVID19. Ireland will support global ambitions towards universal health coverage and ending the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and other communicable diseases by 2030; Irish Aid will increase our commitment to Global Health to at least 50m in 2021.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
3.2	By 2030, end preventable deaths of new-borns and children under 5 years of age	DoH		<u>Creating A Better Future Together: National Maternity Strategy 2016-2026</u>	A health and well-being approach is adopted to ensure that babies get the best start in life; Mothers and families are supported and empowered to improve their own health and well-being; Women have access to safe, high-quality, nationally consistent, woman-centred maternity care; Pregnancy and birth is recognised as a normal physiological process, and insofar as it is safe to do so, a woman's choice is facilitated; Maternity services are appropriately resourced, underpinned by strong and effective leadership, management and governance arrangements, and delivered by a skilled and competent workforce, in partnership with women.	The National Maternity Strategy, Model of Care Working Group is comprised of representatives from the Dept of Health, the National Women & Infants Health Programme (NWIHP), Association for the Improvement in Maternity Services - Ireland (AIMS), the Directors of Midwifery Forum, as well as Obstetricians.	Danny Smith - Maternity & Gynaecology Policy Unit, DoH - Danny_Smith@health.gov.ie Gavin Ashe - Maternity & Gynaecology Policy Unit, DoH - Gavin_Ashe@health.gov.ie
					A health and well-being approach is adopted to ensure that babies get the best start in life; Mothers and families are supported and empowered to improve their own health and well-being; Women have access to safe, high-quality, nationally consistent, woman-centred maternity care; Pregnancy and birth is recognised as a normal physiological process, and insofar as it is safe to do so, a woman's choice is facilitated; Maternity services are appropriately resourced, underpinned by strong and effective leadership, management and governance arrangements, and delivered by a skilled and competent workforce, in partnership with women.	The National Maternity Experience Survey (NMES) Programme Board developed and executed the first NMES in 2020 and is currently developing a new Maternity Bereavement Survey to be undertaken in 2021. The Board comprises representatives from the Dept of Health, HIQA, HSE, NWIHP as well as patient representatives (AIMS), and service users.	Danny Smith - Maternity & Gynaecology Policy Unit, DoH - Danny_Smith@health.gov.ie Deidre Hyland - NPSO, DoH - Deidre_Hyland@health.gov.ie Gavin Ashe - Maternity & Gynaecology Policy Unit, DoH - Gavin_Ashe@health.gov.ie
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					<u>Women's Health Taskforce</u>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group.

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3.2			DCEDIY	<u>Better Outcomes, Brighter Futures: the National Policy Framework for Children and Young People 2014-2020</u>	That all our children and young people are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Active and healthy, with positive physical and mental well-being.</li> <li>2. Achieving their full potential in all areas of learning and development.</li> <li>3. Safe and protected from harm.</li> <li>4. Economically secure and have economic opportunity.</li> <li>5. Connected, respected and contributing to their world.</li> </ol>	BOBF is led by the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth. Healthy Ireland provides updates on progress related to relevant actions on request. Some relevant indicators are measured as part of the Health Behaviours in School-Aged Children Survey, managed by HI. Previous H&WP PO represented on BOBF steering group. Some indicators measured by the Children's Sport Participation and Physical Activity Study, led by Sport Ireland and Sport NI, with co-funding from Healthy Ireland. HI was represented on the Steering Group (disbanded after publication of the report in 2019). Healthy Ireland provides supports to Dept of Education through co-funding of the Active School Flag programme (HI represented on Steering Group). HI also has regular contacts with the Dept of Education to support wellbeing; supports for schools also supplied through the HSE Education programme (part of HSE Health and Wellbeing. There are currently no meetings planned.	contact@equality.gov.ie

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3.3	By 2030, end the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and neglected tropical diseases and combat hepatitis, water-borne diseases and other communicable diseases	DoH		<a href="#">Healthy Ireland – A Framework for Improved Health and Well-being 2013-2025</a>	Increase the proportion of people who are healthy at all stages of life; Reduce health inequalities; Protect the public from threats to health and well-being; and Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in achieving a healthy Ireland.	<p>The Healthy Ireland Network is a membership group/network comprised of people and organisations who have signed the HI Charter and support its goals. The Healthy Ireland Cities and Counties Network provides links between Healthy Ireland and local authorities; local actions to support health and wellbeing are funded through the HI Fund.</p> <p>The Healthy Ireland Fund, the local strand of which is managed on behalf of HI by Pobal, supports local programmes in the area of health and wellbeing managed by local authorities. Some funding at national level is also used to support national programmes run through Sport Ireland (Get Ireland Running, Swimming, Cycling and Walking, Daily Mile, EU Week of Sport), the Dept of Education's Active School Flag programme and Healthy Ireland at your library.</p>	greg_station@health.gov.ie
				<a href="#">The National Sexual Health Strategy 2015-2020</a>	Everyone in Ireland will receive comprehensive and age-appropriate sexual health education/information and will have access to appropriate prevention and promotion services; Equitable, accessible and high-quality sexual health services, which are targeted and tailored to need, will be available to everyone; and Robust and high-quality sexual health information will be generated to underpin policy, practice, service planning and strategic monitoring.	The NSHS is managed by the HSE Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Programme. Regular meetings between Health and Wellbeing and the SHCPP are held to manage specific actions. Work is also ongoing with Dept of Education regarding supports for RSE/SPHE as required, mostly managed by HSE Education programme. Updates for the LGBTI Inclusion Strategy are led by DoH Social Inclusion, but SHCPP updates regularly sought.	Fiona_Mansergh@health.gov.ie
				<a href="#">Ireland's National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance 2017-2020 (work is underway to develop INAP 2 which is likely to cover 2021 - 2025)</a>	Under the One Health banner, iNAP2 aims to implement policies and actions to prevent, monitor and combat AMR across the three sectors, health, agricultural and the environment. Reducing the inappropriate use of antimicrobial medicines, as well as preventing the transmission of infections and disease, is vital to stop the development and spread of resistant microorganisms.	Engagement with HSE Antimicrobial Resistance and Infection Control (AMRIC) colleagues. Meetings of the National Interdepartmental AMR Consultative Committee. Regular engagement with colleagues in the Department of Agriculture, Food, and the Marine and the Environment. Workshop with the Independent Patient Safety Council around iNAP2.	OneHealth@health.gov.ie
				<a href="#">Women's Health Taskforce</a>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group	womenshealthtaskforce@health.gov.ie

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3.4	By 2030, reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being	DoH		<a href="#">Healthy Ireland – A Framework for Improved Health and Well-being 2013-2025</a>	Increase the proportion of people who are healthy at all stages of life; Reduce health inequalities; Protect the public from threats to health and well-being; and Create an environment where every individual and sector of society can play their part in achieving a healthy Ireland.	The Healthy Ireland Network is a membership group/network comprised of people and organisations who have signed the HI Charter and support its goals. The Healthy Ireland Cities and Counties Network provides links between Healthy Ireland and local authorities; local actions to support health and wellbeing are funded through the HI Fund. The Healthy Ireland Fund, the local strand of which is managed on behalf of HI by Pobal, supports local programmes in the area of health and wellbeing managed by local authorities. Some funding at national level is also used to support national programmes run through Sport Ireland (Get Ireland Running, Swimming, Cycling and Walking, Daily Mile, EU Week of Sport), the Dept of Education's Active School Flag programme and Healthy Ireland at your library.	greg_station@health.gov.ie
				<a href="#">The National Cancer Strategy 2017-2026</a>	The strategy is focused on preventing cancer across our population, diagnosing cancer early, providing optimal care to patients and maximising their quality of life.	The National Patient Advisory Committee.	Cancer_Policy@health.gov.ie
				<a href="#">National Physical Activity Plan for Ireland 2016</a>	The aim of the National Physical Activity Plan is to increase physical activity levels across the entire population thereby improving the health and well-being of people living in Ireland, where everybody lives, works and plays in a society that facilitates, promotes and supports physical activity and an active way of life with less time spent being sedentary.	Implementation of the National Physical Activity Plan is overseen by a cross sectoral implementation group which is chaired jointly by the Department of Health and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.	fiona_mansergh@health.gov.ie



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3.4	By 2030, reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being	DoH		<u>Connecting for Life 2015-2020 (National Suicide Strategy)</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To improve the understanding of, and attitudes to, suicidal behaviour, mental health and well-being.</li> <li>2. To support local communities' capacity to prevent and respond to suicidal behaviour.</li> <li>3. To target approaches to reduce suicidal behaviour and improve mental health among priority groups.</li> <li>4. To enhance accessibility, consistency and care pathways of services for people vulnerable to suicidal behaviour.</li> <li>5. To ensure safe and high-quality services for people vulnerable to suicide.</li> <li>6. To reduce and restrict access to means of suicidal behaviour.</li> <li>7. To improve surveillance, evaluation and high-quality research relating to suicidal behaviour.</li> </ol>	National Cross Sectoral Steering Committee.	Mental_Health_Services@health.gov.ie
				<u>Sharing the Vision - A Mental Health Policy for Everyone, 2020-2030.</u>	The policy sets out a 10-year plan for mental health services that addresses the needs of the population through a focus on the requirements of the individual. The key outcomes identified are: Promotion, prevention and early intervention; Service access, coordination and continuity of care; Social inclusion; Accountability continuous improvement.	National Implementation and Monitoring Committee.	Mental_Health_Services@health.gov.ie
				<u>Women's Health Taskforce</u>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group.	womenshealthtaskforce@health.gov.ie
		DFA	<u>A Better World</u>	As set out in A Better World, Ireland will strengthen interventions in health to reach the furthest behind first. Ireland will support global ambitions towards universal health coverage and ending the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and other communicable diseases by 2030; Irish Aid will increase commitment to Global Health to at least €50m in 2021; Ireland has been active in global COVID-19 response, including an additional €5m to COVAX and supporting mechanisms.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie	

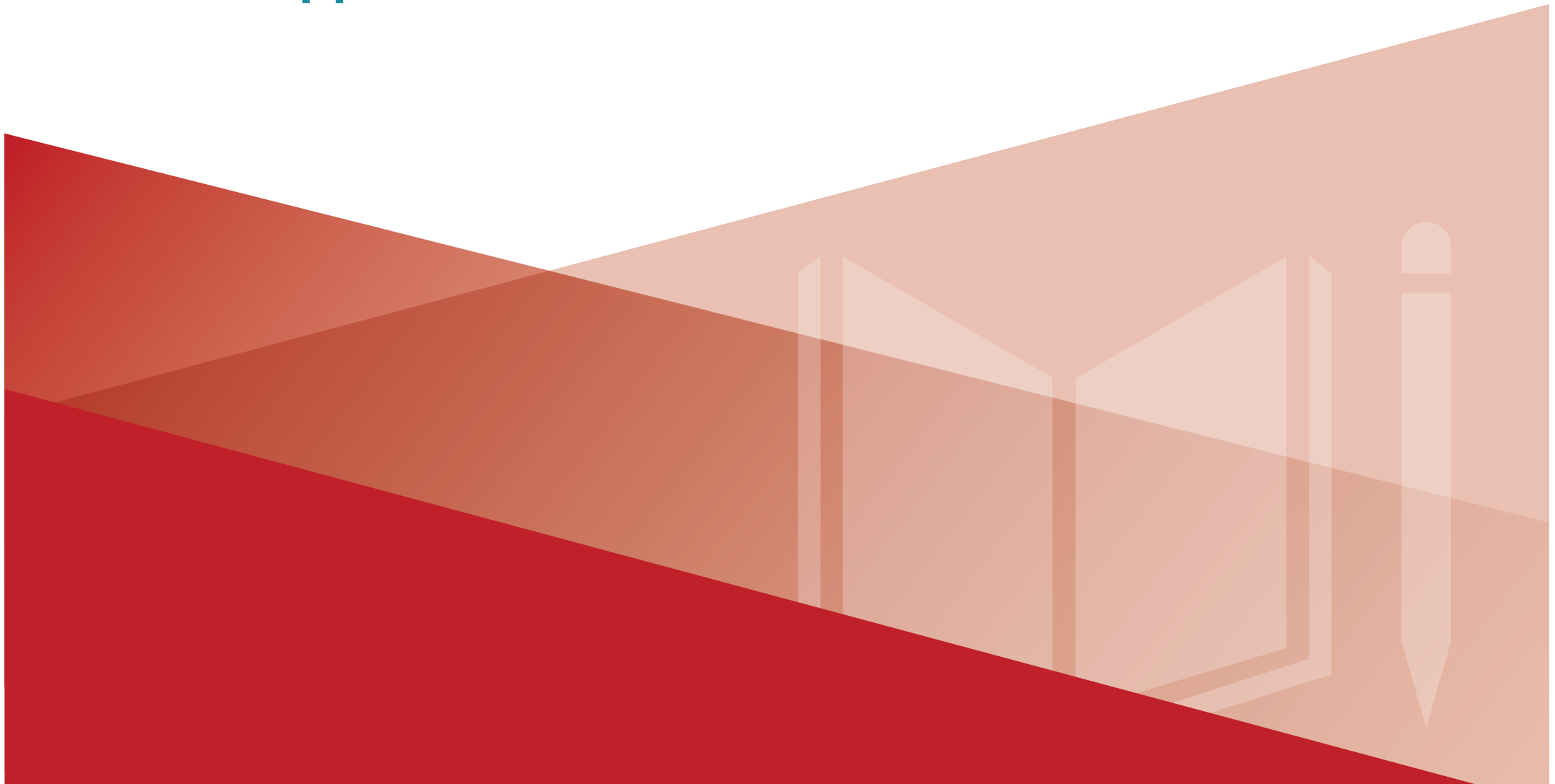
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3.5	Strengthen the prevention and treatment of substance abuse, including narcotic drug abuse and harmful use of alcohol	DoH		<u>Reducing Harm, Supporting Recovery – a health led response to drug and alcohol use in Ireland 2017-2025</u>	To prevent and to reduce the harms caused to individuals, families and communities by the use of drugs and alcohol and to support the rehabilitation and recovery of individuals from problematic drug and alcohol use.	A national oversight committee, with membership from statutory, community and voluntary sectors, along with independent experts, supports the implementation of the strategy.	National Oversight Committee Secretariat; dpu@health.gov.ie
				<u>The Public Health (Alcohol) Act was enacted in October 2018 and 23 of its 21 sections have already been commenced.</u>	The objectives of the Act are to reduce alcohol consumption in Ireland to the OECD average of 9.1 litres of pure alcohol, to delay the initiation of alcohol consumption by children and young people, to reduce the harms caused by the misuse of alcohol, and to ensure the supply and price of alcohol is regulated and controlled in order to minimise the possibility and incidence of alcohol related harm.	The Alcohol Research Group was established by the Minister for Health in 2019 to examine the effectiveness of the measures introduced in the Public Health (Alcohol) Bill.	siobhan_mcnamara@health.gov.ie
				<u>Women's Health Taskforce</u>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group.	womenshealthtaskforce@health.gov.ie
3.6	By 2020, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents	D.Transport		<u>Government Strategy on Road Safety 2013-2020</u>	To reduce road crash fatalities from 186 in 2011 to 124 or fewer by 2020.	Public consultations were held during the development of the Road Safety Strategy.	roadsafety@transport.gov.ie
3.7	By 2030, ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes	DoH		<u>The National Sexual Health Strategy 2015-2020</u>	Everyone in Ireland will receive comprehensive and age-appropriate sexual health education/ information and will have access to appropriate prevention and promotion services; Equitable, accessible and high-quality sexual health services, which are targeted and tailored to need, will be available to everyone; and Robust and high-quality sexual health information will be generated to underpin policy, practice, service planning and strategic monitoring.	The NSHS is managed by the HSE Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Programme. Regular meetings between Health and Wellbeing and the SHCPP are held to manage specific actions. Work is also ongoing with Dept of Education regarding supports for RSE/SPHE as required, mostly managed by HSE Education programme. Updates for the LGBTI Inclusion Strategy are led by DoH Social Inclusion, but SHCPP updates regularly sought.	Fiona_Mansergh@health.gov.ie
				<u>Women's Health Taskforce</u>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group	womenshealthtaskforce@health.gov.ie
3.8	Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all	DoH		<u>Report of the Committee on the Future of Healthcare (Oireachtas Sláintecare Report). Sláintecare Implementation Strategy 2018. Programme for Government 2020</u>	The Sláintecare vision is to deliver a healthcare system for the population of Ireland, that offers the right care, in the right place, at the right time, by the right team, at low or no cost to the citizen.	Multiple groups meeting regularly to discuss the various strands of Sláintecare. Citizen and staff engagement programme also in place.	Slaintecare_Programme_Implementation_Office@health.gov.ie
				<u>Women's Health Taskforce</u>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group.	womenshealthtaskforce@health.gov.ie

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3.9	By 2030, substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination	DECC	DETE, DAFM	<u>National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants; Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy; National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</u>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie
				<u>National Clean Air Strategy</u>	This Strategy will provide the framework to promote and identify a range of measures across government policy required to reduce air pollution and promote cleaner air while delivering on wider national and international objectives.	A public consultation on the draft Clean Air Strategy ran from 7 March to 3 May. More than 100 submissions were received, and these are now being reviewed, with a view to finalising and publishing the strategy later this year.	Niall.Mcloughlin@decc.gov.ie
			DETE	<u>Chemicals Act 2008 &amp; 2010</u>	The main purpose of the 2008 & 2010 Acts is to facilitate the enforcement of certain EU Regulations concerning chemicals. These Regulations include the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• REACH Regulation</li> <li>• Classification, Labelling and Packaging (CLP) Regulation</li> <li>• Rotterdam Regulation</li> <li>• Detergents Regulation</li> <li>• Asbestos Regulation</li> <li>• COMAH Regulations</li> </ul> Other National Chemicals Legislation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chemical Weapons Act</li> <li>• Dangerous Substances Act</li> </ul> In October 2020, the EU published a proposal for an EU Chemicals Strategy. This will involve revisions of both REACH and CLP and will require amendments to the Chemicals Acts to give effect to these changes nationally.	The Chemicals Acts 2008 & 2010 are used for the transposition of relevant EU Directives. These Directives have stakeholder engagement at the EU level. The Department chairs an interdepartmental and interagency steering group on Chemicals to coordinate national policy responses to chemicals-related issues affecting Ireland arising from EU decision-making on matters involving organisations with statutory roles under the Chemicals Acts, as well as other stakeholders which have common interest or concern.	chemicals@enterprise.gov.ie

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3.a	Strengthen the implementation of the World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in all countries, as appropriate	DoH		<u>Tobacco Free Ireland 2013-2025</u>	To reduce smoking prevalence to less than 5% by 2025.	HSE Tobacco Free Ireland Partners Group.	siobhain_brophy@health.gov.ie
				<u>Women's Health Taskforce</u>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group.	womenshealthtaskforce@health.gov.ie
3.b	Support the research and development of vaccines and medicines for the communicable and non-communicable diseases that primarily affect developing countries, provide access to affordable essential medicines and vaccines, in accordance with the Doha Declaration on the TRIPS Agreement and Public Health, which affirms the right of developing countries to use to the full the provisions in the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights regarding flexibilities to protect public health, and, in particular, provide access to medicines for all	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	As set out in A Better World, Ireland will strengthen interventions in health to reach the furthest behind first. Ireland will support global ambitions towards universal health coverage and ending the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and other communicable diseases by 2030; Irish Aid will increase commitment to Global Health to at least €50m in 2021; Ireland has been active in global COVID-19 response, including an additional €5m to COVAX and supporting mechanisms.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
3.c	Substantially increase health financing and the recruitment, development, training and retention of the health workforce in developing countries, especially in least developed countries and small island developing States	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	As set out in A Better World, Ireland will strengthen interventions in health to reach the furthest behind first. Ireland will support global ambitions towards universal health coverage and ending the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and other communicable diseases by 2030; Irish Aid will increase commitment to Global Health to at least €50m in 2021; Ireland has been active in global COVID-19 response, including an additional €5m to COVAX and supporting mechanisms.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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3.d	Strengthen the capacity of all countries, in particular developing countries, for early warning, risk reduction and management of national and global health risks	DFA		<a href="#">A Better World</a>	As set out in A Better World, Ireland will strengthen interventions in health to reach the furthest behind first. Ireland will support global ambitions towards universal health coverage and ending the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and other communicable diseases by 2030; Irish Aid will increase commitment to Global Health to at least €50m in 2021; Ireland has been active in global COVID-19 response, including an additional €5m to COVAX and supporting mechanisms.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
			DAFM	<a href="#">iNAP2 National Antimicrobial Strategy</a>	Develop and implement jointly with Department of Health and Environmental sector, Ireland's second National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance 2021-2025.	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: public consultation with industry stakeholders, High level steering group over seeing implementation at a One Health level and at a sectoral level. Current Strategy on first National Action plan was jointly launched by Ministers for Agriculture, Food and Marine and Health .	caroline.gavan@agriculture.gov.ie
					<a href="#">Bovine TB Eradication Programme</a>	Eradication of bovine TB in Ireland.	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: stakeholder consultation, TB Forum , Implementation: three working groups under TB Forum, looking at financial issues, scientific issues and implementation issues.

**Goal 4 Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all**



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4.1	By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes	D.Ed		<a href="http://www.gov.ie">gov.ie</a> - <a href="http://www.gov.ie">Department of Education Statement of Strategy 2021-2023 (www.gov.ie)</a>	Improve the learning experience and the success of learners; Improve the progress of learners at risk of educational disadvantage or learners with special educational needs; Help those delivering education services to continually improve; Build stronger bridges between education and the wider community; and Improve national planning and support services.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	sarah_miley@education.gov.ie
				<a href="http://www.gov.ie">gov.ie</a> - <a href="http://www.gov.ie">DEIS Delivering Equality of Opportunity In Schools (www.gov.ie)</a>	To address educational disadvantage at school level.	DEIS Advisory Group.	social_inclusion@education.gov.ie
			DFHERIS	<a href="http://www.gov.ie">ESD to 2030</a>	Ensure that education contributes to sustainable development by equipping learners with the relevant knowledge, the key dispositions and skills and the values that will motivate and empower them throughout their lives to become informed active citizens who take action for a more sustainable future.	Public Consultation on a joint National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development to 2030 launched 22nd April 2021, by D.Ed and DFHERIS and will remain open until 30th June 2021. <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/">https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/</a> Annual Forum Q4	ESD@education.gov.ie / ESD@dfheris.gov.ie
			DTCAGSM	<a href="http://www.gov.ie">Creative Ireland Creative Schools Initiative</a>	The Creative Schools initiative, managed by the Arts Council, supports schools/centres to put the arts and creativity at the heart of children's and young people's lives. This initiative provides opportunities for children and young people to build their artistic and creative skills; to communicate, collaborate, stimulate their imaginations, be inventive, and to harness their curiosity. It will empower children and young people to develop, implement and evaluate arts and creative activity throughout their schools/centres and stimulate additional ways of working that reinforce the impact of creativity on children and young people's learning, development and well-being.	Creative Ireland convenes a Working Group on the Creative Youth Plan incorporating Creative Schools, quarterly.	creativeschools@artscouncil.ie
			DFA	<a href="http://www.gov.ie">A Better World</a>	A Better World commits Ireland to prioritise education for girls and scale up our funding to education especially for girls in emergencies, committing to spending at least €250 million over the next five years.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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4.2	By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education so that they are ready for primary education	DCEDIY		<u>Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Programme; First 5, A Whole of Government Strategy for Babies, Young Children and their Families</u>	The ECCE Programme provides early childhood education for children of preschool age. First 5 includes as one its objectives that 'babies and young children have access to safe, high-quality, developmentally appropriate, early learning and care and school-age childcare), which reflects diversity of need.	First 5 commits to undertaking an evaluation of the ECCE Programme. This evaluation is expected to commence in 2020. Other developments in early learning in care and school-age childcare will also involve consultation (e.g. reform of the funding model for early learning and care and school-age childcare and regulation of school-age childcare.	contact@equality.gov.ie
			DRCD	<u>Our Public Libraries 2022: Inspiring, Connecting and Empowering Communities</u>	The public library service currently contributes to three milestones on the First 5 Annual Implementation Report. They are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detailed project plan agreed to extend library literacy and reading development support services to babies and young children under the Right to Read programme.</li> <li>• Three new library builds/ refurbishments are opened providing suitable and inviting spaces for babies, young children and their families.</li> <li>• Building on the success of Healthy Ireland in Your Library, explore the concept of First 5 in Your Library as a valuable source within the community for information on early childhood with support from DCEDIY.</li> </ul>	The following consultations took place: Five Regional Consultations with 270 Library Staff. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation with City and County Librarians</li> <li>• Consultation with Director of Service for Libraries</li> <li>• Eight Focus Group Consultations. On-line survey with public.</li> <li>• Department led written consultation with Councillors &amp; PPNs Network.</li> <li>• There are currently no further meetings planned.</li> </ul>	climate@drcd.gov.ie



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4.3	By 2030, ensure equal access for all women and men to affordable and quality technical, vocational and tertiary education, including university	DFHERIS		<a href="#">Further Education and Training Strategy 2020-2024</a>	To support the active inclusion of individuals of all ages and abilities to participate in further education and training to enable every citizen to fully participate in society.	Regular ongoing engagement with stakeholders. The FET Strategy implementation plan is currently in development by SOLAS. Wider consultation will take place with DFHERIS and other key stakeholders in Q3 to establish working groups and associated timelines for work streams and priorities.	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie
				<a href="#">National Strategy for Higher Education to 2030</a>	Provide a more flexible system, with a greater choice of provision and modes of learning for an increasingly diverse cohort of students.	There are regular meetings with stakeholders on an ongoing basis. Additionally, the National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education has Advisory Groups in place to inform the implementation of its four strategic priorities.	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie
				<a href="#">National Plan for Equity of Access to Higher Education 2015-2021</a>	To promote equality of opportunity in higher education.	Annual National Forum/Open Consultation for the development of the Next Plan. National Forum 23rd April 2021 . Public Consultation for development of new National Access Plan opened on 16th April 2021 until Friday 21 May 2021.	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie
				<a href="#">National Skills Strategy 2025</a>	The National Skills Strategy aims to provide an education and training system that is flexible enough to respond to a rapidly changing environment and that can provide the mix of skills needed over the next ten years, and beyond.	The National Skills Strategy provided for the establishment of the skills architecture that we have today, the National Skills Council (NSC) and the nine Regional Skills Fora (RSF). The NSC is made up of high-level officials from both public and private enterprises. The role of the Council is to oversee research, advise on the prioritisation of identified skills needs and on how to secure delivery of those skills. It also has a key role in promoting and reporting on the delivery of responses by education and training providers to those priorities. The RSF bring stakeholders together at local and regional level, to identify, interrogate and validate skills needs, and to ensure that employers/enterprise are linked to the right places, to get responses they need. This skills infrastructure has enabled us to build bridges between the education sector and enterprise in a way that was previously ad hoc and ineffective. These new relationships allow us to gather insights and data directly from enterprise that feed into high level national policy decisions and allow us to know exactly what enterprise wants us to deliver.	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie
			D.Ed	<a href="#">ESD to 2030</a>	Ensure that education contributes to sustainable development by equipping learners with the relevant knowledge, the key dispositions and skills and the values that will motivate and empower them throughout their lives to become informed active citizens who take action for a more sustainable future.	Public Consultation on a joint National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development to 2030 launched 22nd April 2021, by D.Ed and DFHERIS and will remain open until 30th June 2021. <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/">https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/</a> Annual Forum Q4	ESD@education.gov.ie / ESD@dfheris.gov.ie

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4.4	By 2030, substantially increase the number of youth and adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship	DFHERIS	D.Ed	<a href="#">ESD to 2030</a>	Ensure that education contributes to sustainable development by equipping learners with the relevant knowledge, the key dispositions and skills and the values that will motivate and empower them throughout their lives to become informed active citizens who take action for a more sustainable future.	Public Consultation on a joint National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development to 2030 launched 22nd April 2021, by D.Ed and DFHERIS and will remain open until 30th June 2021. <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/">https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/</a> Annual Forum Q4	ESD@education.gov.ie / ESD@dfheris.gov.ie
<a href="#">Further Education and Training Strategy 2020-2024</a>				To support the active inclusion of individuals of all ages and abilities to participate in further education and training to enable every citizen to fully participate in society.	Regular ongoing engagement with stakeholders. The FET Strategy implementation plan is currently in development by SOLAS. Wider consultation will take place with DFHERIS and other key stakeholders in Q3 to establish working groups and associated timelines for work streams and priorities.	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie	
<a href="#">National Strategy for Higher Education to 2030</a>				Ensure that higher education connects more effectively with wider social, economic and enterprise needs and translate that into high value jobs and real benefits for society.	There are regular meetings with stakeholders on an ongoing basis.	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie	
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4.5	By 2030, eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education and vocational training for the vulnerable, including persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and children in vulnerable situations	D.Ed		<a href="http://www.gov.ie">gov.ie</a> - <a href="http://www.gov.ie">DEIS Delivering Equality of Opportunity In Schools (www.gov.ie)</a>	To address educational disadvantage at school level.	DEIS Advisory Group.	<a href="mailto:social_inclusion@education.gov.ie">social_inclusion@education.gov.ie</a>
			DFHERIS	<a href="http://www.gov.ie">ESD to 2030</a>	Ensure that education contributes to sustainable development by equipping learners with the relevant knowledge, the key dispositions and skills and the values that will motivate and empower them throughout their lives to become informed active citizens who take action for a more sustainable future.	Public Consultation on a joint National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development to 2030 launched 22nd April 2021, by D.Ed and DFHERIS and will remain open until 30th June 2021. <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/">https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/</a> . Annual National Forum in Q4.	<a href="mailto:ESD@education.gov.ie">ESD@education.gov.ie</a> / <a href="mailto:ESD@dfheris.gov.ie">ESD@dfheris.gov.ie</a>
				<a href="http://www.gov.ie">gov.ie</a> - <a href="http://www.gov.ie">Department of Education Statement of Strategy 2021-2023 (www.gov.ie)</a>	Improve progress of learners at risk of educational disadvantage or learners with special educational needs.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	<a href="mailto:sarah_miley@education.gov.ie">sarah_miley@education.gov.ie</a>
			DCEDIY	<a href="http://www.gov.ie">National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy 2016-2021</a>	To bring about a real improvement in the quality of life for Travellers and Roma.	In light of the impact of COVID-19 on implementation of the NSWG and the MIS, a decision has been taken to extend the Strategies until the end of 2021. Overall responsibility for implementation of the National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy (NTRIS) rests with DCEDIY. D.Ed is responsible for progressing certain education related actions in the Strategy.	<a href="mailto:social_inclusion@education.gov.ie">social_inclusion@education.gov.ie</a>

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4.5	By 2030, eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education and vocational training for the vulnerable, including persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and children in vulnerable situations		DFHERIS	<u>National Skills Strategy 2025</u>	There will be active inclusion to support participation in education and training and the labour market.	<p>The National Skills Strategy provided for the establishment of the skills architecture that we have today, the National Skills Council (NSC) and the nine Regional Skills Fora (RSF). The NSC is made up of high-level officials from both public and private enterprises.</p> <p>The role of the Council is to oversee research, advise on the prioritisation of identified skills needs and on how to secure delivery of those skills. It also has a key role in promoting and reporting on the delivery of responses by education and training providers to those priorities.</p> <p>The RSF bring stakeholders together at local and regional level, to identify, interrogate and validate skills needs, and to ensure that employers/enterprise are linked to the right places, to get responses they need. This skills infrastructure has enabled us to build bridges between the education sector and enterprise in a way that was previously ad hoc and ineffective. These new relationships allow us to gather insights and data directly from enterprise that feed into high level national policy decisions and allow us to know exactly what enterprise wants us to deliver.</p>	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie
		DFA	DFA	<u>A Better World</u>	<b>A Better World</b> commits Ireland to prioritise education for girls and scale up our funding to education especially for girls in emergencies, committing to spending at least €250 million over the next five years	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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4.6	By 2030, ensure that all youth and a substantial proportion of adults, both men and women, achieve literacy and numeracy	D. Ed		<a href="http://www.gov.ie">gov.ie</a> - DEIS <u>Delivering Equality of Opportunity In Schools</u> ( <a href="http://www.gov.ie">www.gov.ie</a> )	To improve literacy and numeracy standards among children and young people at risk of disadvantage.	DEIS Advisory Group.	<a href="mailto:social_inclusion@education.gov.ie">social_inclusion@education.gov.ie</a>
				<a href="http://www.gov.ie">gov.ie</a> - Department of Education <u>Statement of Strategy 2021-2023</u> ( <a href="http://www.gov.ie">www.gov.ie</a> )	Improve the learning experience and the success of learners.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	<a href="mailto:sarah_miley@education.gov.ie">sarah_miley@education.gov.ie</a>
			DFHERIS	<u>National Literacy and Numeracy Strategy – Literacy and Numeracy for Learning and Life 2011-2020</u>	To improve literacy and numeracy standards among children and young people in the education system.	There is an annual stakeholder forum, with participants attending by invitation only.	<a href="mailto:karen_murtagh@education.gov.ie">karen_murtagh@education.gov.ie</a>
			<u>ESD to 2030</u>	Ensure that education contributes to sustainable development by equipping learners with the relevant knowledge, the key dispositions and skills and the values that will motivate and empower them throughout their lives to become informed active citizens who take action for a more sustainable future.	Public Consultation on a joint National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development to 2030 launched 22nd April 2021, by D.Ed and DFHERIS and will remain open until 30th June 2021. <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/">https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/</a> . Annual National Forum in Q4.	<a href="mailto:ESD@education.gov.ie">ESD@education.gov.ie</a> / <a href="mailto:ESD@dfheris.gov.ie">ESD@dfheris.gov.ie</a>	
			<u>10 year Adult Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Literacy Strategy</u>	To create an environment where all adults in Ireland have the necessary literacy, numeracy and digital literacy to fully take part in society.	SOLAS has been tasked with developing a 10 year adult literacy, numeracy and digital literacy strategy. An interdepartmental stakeholder group, chaired by the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science, is overseeing the development of the strategy. Public consultation on the strategy took place between Nov-Dec 2020, and the strategy is due to be finalised in Q2 2021.	<a href="mailto:SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie">SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie</a>	
			<u>Further Education and Training Strategy 2020-2024</u>	To support the active inclusion of individuals of all ages and abilities to participate in further education.	Regular ongoing engagement with stakeholders. The FET Strategy implementation plan is currently in development by SOLAS. Wider consultation will take place with DFHERIS and other key stakeholders in QX to establish working groups and associated timelines for work streams and priorities.	<a href="mailto:SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie">SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie</a>	

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4.6	By 2030, ensure that all youth and a substantial proportion of adults, both men and women, achieve literacy and numeracy		DFHERIS	<u>National Skills Strategy 2025</u>	People across Ireland will engage more in lifelong learning.	<p>The National Skills Strategy provided for the establishment of the skills architecture that we have today, the National Skills Council (NSC) and the nine Regional Skills Fora (RSF). The NSC is made up of high-level officials from both public and private enterprises. The role of the Council is to oversee research, advise on the prioritisation of identified skills needs and on how to secure delivery of those skills. It also has a key role in promoting and reporting on the delivery of responses by education and training providers to those priorities</p> <p>The RSF bring stakeholders together at local and regional level, to identify, interrogate and validate skills needs, and to ensure that employers/enterprise are linked to the right places, to get responses they need.</p> <p>This skills infrastructure has enabled us to build bridges between the education sector and enterprise in a way that was previously ad hoc and ineffective. These new relationships allow us to gather insights and data directly from enterprise that feed into high level national policy decisions and allow us to know exactly what enterprise wants us to deliver.</p>	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie
			DRCD	<u>Our Public Libraries 2022: Inspiring, Connecting and Empowering Communities</u>	One of the commitments of the current Public Library Strategy is: "Provide opportunities for all users to engage in lifelong learning through the delivery of services developed in collaboration with national and local partners. The library can contribute significantly to the lifelong learning aspirations of users through the provision of both formal and self-guided courses."	<p>The following consultations took place: Five Regional Consultations with 270 Library Staff.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation with City and County Librarians</li> <li>• Consultation with Director of Service for Libraries</li> <li>• Eight Focus Group Consultations.</li> <li>• On-line survey with public.</li> <li>• Department led written consultation with Councillors &amp; PPNs Network.</li> </ul> <p>There are currently no further meetings planned.</p>	climate@drccd.gov.ie

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4.7	By 2030, ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including, among others, through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development	D. Ed	DFHERIS	<u>ESD to 2030</u>	To ensure that education contributes to sustainable development by equipping learners with the relevant knowledge (the 'what'), the key dispositions and skills (the 'how') and the values (the 'why') that will motivate and empower them throughout their lives to become informed active citizens who take action for a more sustainable future.	Public Consultation on a joint National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development to 2030 launched 22nd April 2021, by D.Ed and DFHERIS and will remain open until 30th June 2021. <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/">https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/</a> Annual Forum Q4	ESD@education.gov.ie / ESD@dfheris.gov.ie
			DAFM	<u>Food Vision 2030</u>	Communicating sustainability messages in a coordinated and clear manner to farmers will be a key element of this partnership. Improved linkages between knowledge exchange, advisory services & sustainability assessments would also lead to the development of cooperation activities between farms led by innovation brokers such as advisors to manage natural resources such as biodiversity, water, soils and air.  1) Develop closer links to AKIS. 2) Promote women's participation in farming through KT Groups facilitated by a female advisor: This is in keeping with the spirit of the KT Programme where like-minded farmers who experience similar challenges and opportunities form groups 3) Embed knowledge exchange principles and include a knowledge exchange component in publicly funded research. 4) Develop, test and share knowledge and experiences through for example focus groups, living labs, incubators, and other co-operative activities. 5) Education, skills and talent attraction & retention strategy developed.		harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie

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4.a	Build and upgrade education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive and provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all	D. Ed		<a href="http://www.gov.ie">gov.ie</a> - <a href="#">Department of Education Statement of Strategy 2021-2023 (www.gov.ie)</a>	Deliver appropriate infrastructure for learning environments.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	sarah_miley@education.gov.ie
			DRCDC	<a href="#">Our Public Libraries 2022: Inspiring, Connecting and Empowering Communities</a>	The current Public Library Strategy states: "It provides a welcoming and inclusive space for individuals and all communities, including new communities that may not yet be fully integrated into Irish society. It is a truly democratic service, accepting and supportive of all individuals, regardless of age, ability, culture or personal circumstance"	The following consultations took place: Five Regional Consultations with 270 Library Staff. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation with City and County Librarians</li> <li>• Consultation with Director of Service for Libraries</li> <li>• Eight Focus Group Consultations.</li> <li>• On-line survey with public.</li> <li>• Department led written consultation with Councillors &amp; PPNs Network.</li> </ul>	climate@drcd.gov.ie
4.b	By 2020, substantially expand globally the number of scholarships available to developing countries, in particular least developed countries, small island developing States and African countries, for enrolment in higher education, including vocational training and information and communications technology, technical, engineering and scientific programmes, in developed countries and other developing countries	DFA		<a href="#">A Better World</a>	As committed to in <b>A Better World</b> , Ireland will grow the cohort of skilled post-graduates in developing countries through a revitalised Fellowship Scheme.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
4.c	By 2030, substantially increase the supply of qualified teachers, including through international cooperation for teacher training in developing countries, especially least developed countries and small island developing States	DFA		<a href="#">The Global Island</a>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie



# Goal 5 Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls



Target	Target Details	Lead Dept	Stakeholders	Relevant National Policy	National Policy Key objectives	Stakeholder Engagement Activities in Place	Point of Contact
5.1	End all forms of discrimination against all women and girls everywhere	DCEDIY		<a href="#">National Strategy for Women and Girls 2017-2020 (NSWG)</a>	The overall goal of the NSWG is "to change attitudes and practices preventing women's and girls' full participation in education, employment and public life at all levels, and to improve services for women and girls, with priority given to the needs of those experiencing, or at risk of experiencing, the poorest outcomes".	In light of the impact of COVID-19 on implementation of the Strategy, a decision has been taken to extend the Strategy until the end of 2021. Work on a new strategic policy on gender equality will begin following the completion of a planned independent evaluation of the Strategy.	contact@equality.gov.ie
			DFA	<a href="#">A Better World</a>	<b>A Better World</b> places gender equality as one of four policy priorities and commits to an overarching focus on this in all of our partnerships and intervention. There is a specific commitment to intensify work to end gender based violence.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and African Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
5.2	Eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres, including trafficking and sexual and other types of exploitation	DoJ		<a href="#">Second National Strategy on Domestic, Sexual and Gender-based Violence 2016-2021</a>  <a href="#">Department of Justice Statement of Strategy 2021-2023 actions to support Goal 3: Strengthen community safety, reduce reoffending, support victims and combat domestic, sexual and gender based violence</a>	To change societal attitudes, to hold perpetrators to account and to improve the support that is available to victims.	Monitoring Committee for the DSGBV Strategy.	SDGs@justice.ie
5.3	Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation	DFA		<a href="#">A Better World</a>	<b>A Better World</b> places gender equality as one of four policy priorities and commits to an overarching focus on this in all of our partnerships and intervention. There is a specific commitment to intensify work to end gender based violence.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
5.4	Recognize and value unpaid care and domestic work through the provision of public services, infrastructure and social protection policies and the promotion of shared responsibility within the household and the family as nationally appropriate	DCEDIY		<a href="#">National Strategy for Women and Girls 2017-2020</a>	The overall goal of the NSWG is "to change attitudes and practices preventing women's and girls' full participation in education, employment and public life at all levels, and to improve services for women and girls, with priority given to the needs of those experiencing, or at risk of experiencing, the poorest outcomes". High Level Objective 1: Advance socio-economic equality for women and girls.	In light of the impact of COVID-19 on implementation of the Strategy, a decision has been taken to extend the Strategy until the end of 2021. Work on a new strategic policy on gender equality will begin following the completion of a planned independent evaluation of the Strategy.	contact@equality.gov.ie

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5.5	Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life	DCEDIY		<u>National Strategy for Women and Girls 2017-2020</u>	The overall goal of the NSWG is "to change attitudes and practices preventing women's and girls' full participation in education, employment and public life at all levels, and to improve services for women and girls, with priority given to the needs of those experiencing, or at risk of experiencing, the poorest outcomes". High Level Objective 4: Advance women in leadership at all levels.	In light of the impact of COVID-19 on implementation of the Strategy, a decision has been taken to extend the Strategy until the end of 2021. Work on a new strategic policy on gender equality will begin following the completion of a planned independent evaluation of the Strategy.	contact@equality.gov.ie
5.6	Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of their review conferences	DOH		<u>The National Sexual Health Strategy 2015-2020</u>	Everyone in Ireland will receive comprehensive and age-appropriate sexual health education/ information and will have access to appropriate prevention and promotion services; Equitable, accessible and high-quality sexual health services, which are targeted and tailored to need, will be available to everyone; and Robust and high-quality sexual health information will be generated to underpin policy, practice, service planning and strategic monitoring.	The NSHS is managed by the HSE Sexual Health and Crisis Pregnancy Programme. Regular meetings between Health and Wellbeing and the SHCPP are held to manage specific actions. Work is also ongoing with Dept of Education regarding supports for RSE/SPHE as required, mostly managed by HSE Education programme. Updates for the LGBTI Inclusion Strategy are led by DoH Social Inclusion, but SHCPP updates regularly sought.	Fiona_Mansergh@health.gov.ie
				<u>Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) Act 2018</u>	The main purpose of the Act is to set out the law governing access to termination of pregnancy in Ireland. Sections 26 to 28 of the Act provide universal access to termination of pregnancy services for people who are ordinarily resident in the State. Women – from both within and outside the State - may also access the service on a private basis, should they so choose. However, they will have to pay a fee to do so.	Consultations with service provider stakeholders on the implementation of termination of pregnancy services were held during the preparation of the Act. Further consultations with stakeholders will be held during 2021, as part of the review of the operation of the legislation required under section 7 of the Act.	Bioethics2Unit@health.gov.ie
				<u>Women's Health Taskforce</u>	To improve women's health outcomes and experiences of healthcare.	Women's Health Taskforce Group.	womenshealthtaskforce@health.gov.ie
		DCEDIY		<u>National Strategy for Women and Girls 2017-2020</u>	The overall goal of the NSWG is "to change attitudes and practices preventing women's and girls' full participation in education, employment and public life at all levels, and to improve services for women and girls, with priority given to the needs of those experiencing, or at risk of experiencing, the poorest outcomes". An Ireland where all women enjoy equality with men and can achieve their full potential, while enjoying a safe and fulfilling life.	In light of the impact of COVID-19 on implementation of the Strategy, a decision has been taken to extend the Strategy until the end of 2021. Work on a new strategic policy on gender equality will begin following the completion of a planned independent evaluation of the Strategy.	contact@equality.gov.ie
	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	<b>A Better World</b> commits to an overarching focus on women and girls in all of our partnerships, including a strengthened focus on education for girls and new initiatives on Sexual and Reproductive Health and on Women's Economic Empowerment.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and African Division.	dcdeucoordination@dfa.ie	

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5.a	Undertake reforms to give women equal rights to economic resources, as well as access to ownership and control over land and other forms of property, financial services, inheritance and natural resources, in accordance with national laws	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	<b>A Better World</b> commits to an overarching focus on women and girls in all of our partnerships, including a strengthened focus on education for girls and new initiatives on Sexual and Reproductive Health and on Women's Economic Empowerment.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
5.b	Enhance the use of enabling technology, in particular information and communications technology, to promote the empowerment of women	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	<b>A Better World</b> commits to an overarching focus on women and girls in all of our partnerships, including a strengthened focus on education for girls and new initiatives on Sexual and Reproductive Health and on Women's Economic Empowerment.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
5.c	Adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls at all levels	DCEDIY		<u>National Strategy for Women and Girls 2017-2020</u>	The overall goal of the NSWG is "to change attitudes and practices preventing women's and girls' full participation in education, employment and public life at all levels, and to improve services for women and girls, with priority given to the needs of those experiencing, or at risk of experiencing, the poorest outcomes".	In light of the impact of COVID-19 on implementation of the Strategy, a decision has been taken to extend the Strategy until the end of 2021. Work on a new strategic policy on gender equality will begin following the completion of a planned independent evaluation of the Strategy.	contact@equality.gov.ie

# Goal 6 Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all



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6.1	By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all	DHLGH		<u>River Basin Management Plan (2018-2021)</u>	To address the Water Framework Directive, Ireland's second River Basin Management Plan outlines the measures the Government and other sectors are taking to improve water quality in Ireland's groundwater, rivers, lakes, estuarine and coastal waters during the period 2018 - 2021. A key commitment in the programme for government, a new strengthened River Basin Management Plan for the period 2022-2027 is currently being finalised for publication in 2022. Building on the work of the second cycle and strengthening the incorporation of the integrated catchment management approach, this plan will again describe the main pressures and activities affecting water status, set out the environmental objectives to be achieved up to 2027 and identify the measures needed to achieve these objectives. A copy of the draft River Basin Management Plan for 2022-2027 is available at <a href="http://www.gov.ie/draftRBMP">www.gov.ie/draftRBMP</a>	An Fóram Uisce (Water Forum). This is a statutory body established in June 2018, to provide a platform for public engagement on all matters relating to water as an environmental, social and economic resource. An Fóram provides an opportunity for stakeholders to debate and analyse a range of issues with regard to water quality, rural water concerns, issues affecting customers of Irish Water and the implementation of the Water Framework Directive and the River Basin Management Plan for Ireland 2018-2021.	Donal Purcel, Senior Executive Officer - An Fóram Uisce <a href="mailto:donal@nationalwaterforum.ie">donal@nationalwaterforum.ie</a>
				<u>Water Services Policy Statement 2018</u>	The Water Services Policy Statement is to address policy objectives, including quality, conservation and the future proofing of water services.	An Fóram Uisce (Water Forum). This is a statutory body established in June 2018, to provide a platform for public engagement on all matters relating to water as an environmental, social and economic resource. An Fóram provides an opportunity for stakeholders to debate and analyse a range of issues with regard to water quality, rural water concerns, issues affecting customers of Irish Water and the implementation of the Water Framework Directive and the River Basin Management Plan for Ireland 2018-2021.	Donal Purcel, Senior Executive Officer - An Fóram Uisce <a href="mailto:donal@nationalwaterforum.ie">donal@nationalwaterforum.ie</a>
6.2	By 2030, achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all and end open defecation, paying special attention to the needs of women and girls and those in vulnerable situations	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	<b>A Better World</b> commits to an overarching focus on women and girls in all of our partnerships, including a strengthened focus on education for girls and new initiatives on Sexual and Reproductive Health and on Women's Economic Empowerment.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	<a href="mailto:dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie">dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie</a>

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6.3	By 2030, improve water quality by reducing pollution, eliminating dumping and minimizing release of hazardous chemicals and materials, halving the proportion of untreated wastewater and substantially increasing recycling and safe reuse globally	DHLGH		<a href="#">River Basin Management Plan (2018-2021)</a>	To address the Water Framework Directive, Ireland's second River Basin Management Plan outlines the measures the Government and other sectors are taking to improve water quality in Ireland's groundwater, rivers, lakes, estuarine and coastal waters during the period 2018 - 2021. A key commitment in the programme for government, a new strengthened River Basin Management Plan for the period 2022-2027 is currently being finalised for publication in 2022. Building on the work of the second cycle and strengthening the incorporation of the integrated catchment management approach, this plan will again describe the main pressures and activities affecting water status, set out the environmental objectives to be achieved up to 2027 and identify the measures needed to achieve these objectives. A copy of the draft River Basin Management Plan for 2022-2027 is available at <a href="http://www.gov.ie/draftRBMP">www.gov.ie/draftRBMP</a>	An Fóram Uisce (Water Forum). This is a statutory body established in June 2018, to provide a platform for public engagement on all matters relating to water as an environmental, social and economic resource. An Fóram provides an opportunity for stakeholders to debate and analyse a range of issues with regard to water quality, rural water concerns, issues affecting customers of Irish Water and the implementation of the Water Framework Directive and the River Basin Management Plan for Ireland 2018-2021.	Donal Purcel, Senior Executive Officer - An Fóram Uisce <a href="mailto:donal@nationalwaterforum.ie">donal@nationalwaterforum.ie</a>
				<a href="#">Water Services Policy Statement 2018</a>	The Water Services Policy Statement is to address policy objectives, including quality, conservation and the future proofing of water services.	An Fóram Uisce (Water Forum). This is a statutory body established in June 2018, to provide a platform for public engagement on all matters relating to water as an environmental, social and economic resource. An Fóram provides an opportunity for stakeholders to debate and analyse a range of issues with regard to water quality, rural water concerns, issues affecting customers of Irish Water and the implementation of the Water Framework Directive and the River Basin Management Plan for Ireland 2018-2021.	Donal Purcel, Senior Executive Officer - An Fóram Uisce <a href="mailto:donal@nationalwaterforum.ie">donal@nationalwaterforum.ie</a>
		DECC, DETE, DAFM	<a href="#">National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants; Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy; National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</a>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul McDonald <a href="mailto:Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie">Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie</a>	

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6.4	By 2030, substantially increase water-use efficiency across all sectors and ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater to address water scarcity and substantially reduce the number of people suffering from water scarcity	DHLGH		<u>River Basin Management Plan (2018-2021)</u>	To address the Water Framework Directive, Ireland's second River Basin Management Plan outlines the measures the Government and other sectors are taking to improve water quality in Ireland's groundwater, rivers, lakes, estuarine and coastal waters during the period 2018 - 2021. A key commitment in the programme for government, a new strengthened River Basin Management Plan for the period 2022-2027 is currently being finalised for publication in 2022. Building on the work of the second cycle and strengthening the incorporation of the integrated catchment management approach, this plan will again describe the main pressures and activities affecting water status, set out the environmental objectives to be achieved up to 2027 and identify the measures needed to achieve these objectives. A copy of the draft River Basin Management Plan for 2022-2027 is available at <a href="http://www.gov.ie/draftRBMP">www.gov.ie/draftRBMP</a>	An Fóram Uisce (Water Forum). This is a statutory body established in June 2018, to provide a platform for public engagement on all matters relating to water as an environmental, social and economic resource. An Fóram provides an opportunity for stakeholders to debate and analyse a range of issues with regard to water quality, rural water concerns, issues affecting customers of Irish Water and the implementation of the Water Framework Directive and the River Basin Management Plan for Ireland 2018-2021.	Donal Purcel, Senior Executive Officer - An Fóram Uisce <a href="mailto:donal@nationalwaterforum.ie">donal@nationalwaterforum.ie</a>
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6.5	By 2030, implement integrated water resources management at all levels, including through transboundary cooperation as appropriate	DHLGH		<u>River Basin Management Plan (2018-2021)</u>	To address the Water Framework Directive, Ireland's second River Basin Management Plan outlines the measures the Government and other sectors are taking to improve water quality in Ireland's groundwater, rivers, lakes, estuarine and coastal waters during the period 2018 - 2021. A key commitment in the programme for government, a new strengthened River Basin Management Plan for the period 2022-2027 is currently being finalised for publication in 2022. Building on the work of the second cycle and strengthening the incorporation of the integrated catchment management approach, this plan will again describe the main pressures and activities affecting water status, set out the environmental objectives to be achieved up to 2027 and identify the measures needed to achieve these objectives. A copy of the draft River Basin Management Plan for 2022-2027 is available at <a href="http://www.gov.ie/draftRBMP">www.gov.ie/draftRBMP</a>	An Fóram Uisce (Water Forum). This is a statutory body established in June 2018, to provide a platform for public engagement on all matters relating to water as an environmental, social and economic resource. An Fóram provides an opportunity for stakeholders to debate and analyse a range of issues with regard to water quality, rural water concerns, issues affecting customers of Irish Water and the implementation of the Water Framework Directive and the River Basin Management Plan for Ireland 2018-2021.	Donal Purcel, Senior Executive Officer - An Fóram Uisce <a href="mailto:donal@nationalwaterforum.ie">donal@nationalwaterforum.ie</a>
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6.6	By 2020, protect and restore water-related ecosystems, including mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, aquifers and lakes	DHLGH		<u><a href="#">River Basin Management Plan (2018-2021)</a></u>	To address the Water Framework Directive, Ireland's second River Basin Management Plan outlines the measures the Government and other sectors are taking to improve water quality in Ireland's groundwater, rivers, lakes, estuarine and coastal waters during the period 2018 - 2021. A key commitment in the programme for government, a new strengthened River Basin Management Plan for the period 2022-2027 is currently being finalised for publication in 2022. Building on the work of the second cycle and strengthening the incorporation of the integrated catchment management approach, this plan will again describe the main pressures and activities affecting water status, set out the environmental objectives to be achieved up to 2027 and identify the measures needed to achieve these objectives. A copy of the draft River Basin Management Plan for 2022-2027 is available at <a href="http://www.gov.ie/draftRBMP">www.gov.ie/draftRBMP</a>	An Fóram Uisce (Water Forum). This is a statutory body established in June 2018, to provide a platform for public engagement on all matters relating to water as an environmental, social and economic resource. An Fóram provides an opportunity for stakeholders to debate and analyse a range of issues with regard to water quality, rural water concerns, issues affecting customers of Irish Water and the implementation of the Water Framework Directive and the River Basin Management Plan for Ireland 2018-2021.	Donal Purcel, Senior Executive Officer - An Fóram Uisce <a href="mailto:donal@nationalwaterforum.ie">donal@nationalwaterforum.ie</a>
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				<u><a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a></u>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.  Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.  Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.  Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.  Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

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6.a	By 2030, expand international cooperation and capacity-building support to developing countries in water- and sanitation-related activities and programmes, including water harvesting, desalination, water efficiency, wastewater treatment, recycling and reuse technologies	DFA		<u>The Global Island</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
6.b	Support and strengthen the participation of local communities in improving water and sanitation management	DFA		<u>The Global Island</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

# Goal 7 Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all



Target	Target Details	Lead Dept	Stakeholders	Relevant National Policy	National Policy Key objectives	Stakeholder Engagement Activities in Place	Point of Contact
7.1	By 2030, ensure universal access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services	DECC		National Energy and Climate Plan	To meet the EU's energy and climate targets for 2030, EU countries need to establish a 10-year integrated national energy and climate plan (NECP) and submit progress reports for the period from 2021 to 2030. The first progress report is due to the Commission in 2023.		SDGs@decc.gov.ie
				<u>Strategy to Combat Energy Poverty in Ireland</u>	The Government's Strategy to Combat Energy Poverty was published in 2016. The Strategy set out a range of actions to alleviate the burden of energy poverty on the most vulnerable in society. The focus of the strategy is on high impact actions which aimed to make a real difference to the lives of those in energy poverty.	A review of the implementation of the Strategy to Combat Energy Poverty will be completed in the coming weeks and this will inform the next steps with a view to a new Strategy later this year.	energy.efficiency@decc.gov.ie

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7.2	By 2030, increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix	DECC		<u>Renewable Electricity Support Scheme (RESS)</u>	Renewable Electricity Support Scheme (RESS) is a flagship policy to deliver on the Programme for Government to address Ireland's climate challenges over the coming years and enable us to reach our target of at least 70% renewable electricity by 2030. The RESS is an auction based scheme in which new renewable electricity generators bid to receive support in the form of a guaranteed price over a 15-year period. Over 1GW of new wind and solar generation was secured in the RESS 1 auction in 2020. The Government has approved the final results of the onshore RESS 2 auction, with 2,748 GWh successful in the auction, equating to 414MW of onshore wind and 1,534MW of solar. A future schedule of auctions through to 2025 was published in December 2021		paul.mcgoldrick@decc.gov.ie
				<u>Climate Action Plan 2021</u>	<i>The Climate Action Plan 2021</i> , reflects the legally binding targets for 2030 and 2050 by setting a roadmap for taking decisive action to meet these. The 2021 Plan is a cross-government project, with inputs and commitments from a range of Government Departments and State Agencies. It provided indicative ranges of emissions reductions required for each sector of the economy to reach our 2030 target, while also setting out the actions needed to deliver these targets. The next Climate Action Plan will be developed in 2022 to provide an update on the progress made in meeting Ireland's national climate objective and will seek to identify any challenges or obstacles in relation to this progress.	<p>The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.</p> <p>Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.</p>	climatechangeinfo@decc.gov.ie

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7.3	By 2030, double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency	DECC		<a href="#">Ireland's Transition to a Low Carbon Energy Future 2015-2030</a>		<p>The Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications is carrying out a review of the security of energy supply of Ireland's electricity and natural gas systems, focussing on the period to 2030 in the context of ensuring a sustainable pathway to 2050. The review includes a technical analysis and public consultation.</p> <p>Consultants have been appointed to undertake the technical analysis which will include identification and examination of the key risks to the security of supply in the electricity and natural gas systems; identification of options that could address or mitigate these risks in the period to 2030; and appraisal of these options in the context of ensuring a sustainable pathway to 2050.</p> <p>Following the completion and publication of the technical analysis, a public consultation will be carried out. This will provide all stakeholders and the public an opportunity to input into the review. It is intended the review will be completed by the end of 2021.</p>	SDGs@decc.gov.ie
				<a href="#">Climate Action Plan 2021</a>	<p><i>The Climate Action Plan 2021</i>, reflects the legally binding targets for 2030 and 2050 by setting a roadmap for taking decisive action to meet these. The 2021 Plan is a cross-government project, with inputs and commitments from a range of Government Departments and State Agencies. It provided indicative ranges of emissions reductions required for each sector of the economy to reach our 2030 target, while also setting out the actions needed to deliver these targets. The next Climate Action Plan will be developed in 2022 to provide an update on the progress made in meeting Ireland's national climate objective and will seek to identify any challenges or obstacles in relation to this progress.</p>	<p>The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.</p> <p>Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.</p>	climatechangeinfo@decc.gov.ie

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7.3	By 2030, double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency	DECC		National Retrofit Plan; Climate Action Plan 2021; National Energy and Climate Plan	The National Retrofit Plan, which was published as part of Climate Action Plan 2021, sets out how the government will deliver on our retrofit targets. The Plan is designed to address barriers to retrofit across four key pillars: driving demand and activity; financing and funding; supply chain, skills and standards; and governance.	<p>The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.</p> <p>Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.</p>	SDGs@decc.gov.ie
7.a	By 2030, enhance international cooperation to facilitate access to clean energy research and technology, including renewable energy, energy efficiency and advanced and cleaner fossil-fuel technology, and promote investment in energy infrastructure and clean energy technology	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	Climate action is a policy priority in A Better World, with commitments to future proofing all of our development cooperation; scaling up our spending and exploring innovative approaches to risk insurance, climate adaptation, and tapping into the potential of the blue economy including for Small Island Developing States.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and African Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie



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7.b	By 2030, expand infrastructure and upgrade technology for supplying modern and sustainable energy services for all in developing countries, in particular least developed countries, small island developing States, and land-locked developing countries, in accordance with their respective programmes of support	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	Climate action is a policy priority in A Better World, with commitments to future proofing all of our development cooperation; scaling up our spending and exploring innovative approaches to risk insurance, climate adaptation, and tapping into the potential of the blue economy including for Small Island Developing States.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

**Goal 8 Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all**



Target	Target Details	Lead Dept	Stakeholders	Relevant National Policy	National Policy Key objectives	Stakeholder Engagement Activities in Place	Point of Contact
8.1	Sustain per capita economic growth in accordance with national circumstances and, in particular, at least 7 per cent gross domestic product growth per annum in the least developed countries	D Fin	DFA	<a href="#">Annual National Budgets; Stability Programme Updates and Summer Economic Statements; A Better World</a>	Maintain stable macroeconomic environment and sound public finances. The Department will engage with IFIs to ensure the governance, policy, strategy and programme performance of each institution are focused to promote economic growth and stimulus in LDCs.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie
8.2	Achieve higher levels of economic productivity through diversification, technological upgrading and innovation, including through a focus on high-value added and labour-intensive sectors	DETE		The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment's upcoming Enterprise Strategy White Paper is anticipated to address issues related to this target			SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
			DFHERIS	<a href="#">Impact 2030: Ireland's Research and Innovation Strategy</a>	Impact 2030: Ireland's Research and Innovation Strategy puts research and innovation (R&I) at the heart of addressing Ireland's social, economic and environmental challenges. Impact 2030 will maximise the impact of research and innovation on many national priorities. It will progress objectives shared across the Irish R&I system such as maximising its impact on public policymaking and implementation, and nurturing and attracting talent.	The department engaged in an extensive period of consultation to inform the development of Impact 2030. The Impact 2030 Steering Group brings together the five largest R&I funding departments to drive progress of the strategy and steer national R&I policy direction in a more agile and responsive manner. A wider Impact 2030 Implementation Forum of government departments and agencies that fund and/or perform R&I forum will engage with and support the work of the Steering Group. The Implementation Forum is tasked with working together to maximise the collective return on public investment in R&I. In addition, Impact 2030 commits to strengthening connections between government departments and the public research system, through DFHERIS's Evidence for Policy unit and the development of new science advice structures across government. This will improve the articulation of public policy needs to the research community so that they can engage proactively and creatively on this shared agenda.	Impact2030@dfheris.gov.ie
			DECC	<a href="#">National Broadband Plan</a>	The National Broadband Plan aims to deliver high speed broadband to every citizen and business in Ireland. This is being achieved through a combination of accelerated commercial investment by telecoms operators, and a proposed State intervention to provide high speed broadband to those parts of the country where there is no certainty that the commercial sector will invest.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@decc.gov.ie

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8.2	Achieve higher levels of economic productivity through diversification, technological upgrading and innovation, including through a focus on high-value added and labour-intensive sectors		DAFM	SHARP and DAFM's Competitive Research Funding Programme	DAFM's Competitive Research Funding Programme aims to supports the creation of scientific knowledge and the development of research capacity and capability within Ireland that will help to ensure and secure a sustainable food system.	The Sustainable Healthy Agri-food Research Plan (SHARP) was developed through consultation and engagement with academic, industry and other key stakeholders. Other periodic consultation is undertaken to assist with Call preparations. It is expected that SHARP will be reviewed and updated through a consultative process to align with key strategic developments for the agri-food sector.	research@agriculture.gov.ie
8.3	Promote development-oriented policies that support productive activities, decent job creation, entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation, and encourage the formalization and growth of micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprises, including through access to financial services	DETE		<u>National Economic Recovery Plan</u>	Pillar 3 of the Economic Recovery Plan targets SME growth and measures to improve productivity by focusing on the digital transformation of business processes for SME's as well as prioritising export diversification. An essential part of this target is fostering entrepreneurship and start-ups to improve value added and long term growth.	This plan does not contain a consultation element	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
			DRCD	<u>National Social Enterprise Policy for Ireland 2019-2022</u>	Social enterprises are businesses that work primarily to improve the lives of people. They are natural SDG champions as their core objectives are to achieve social, societal, or environmental impact. They operate right across society and the economy, inherently addressing one or more of the UN SDGs through the various activities of their business. The SDGs are mainstreamed into the National Social Enterprise Policy and implementation of the Policy is opening new opportunities for social enterprises to address social and environmental challenges, and thereby progress towards the SDGs. The policy should be seen as a framework for the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals in Ireland. In addition, it reflects the Irish Government's commitment to facilitating the success of social enterprise in Ireland, as well as underpinning the Government's commitments to equality, human rights and social cohesion,	The development of the policy was underpinned by a research report undertaken in 2017/2018 by the Social Finance Foundation and the Department of Rural and Community Development. Discussions, workshops, and consultations were undertaken as part of the research. In addition the Policy was informed a consultation process was carried out in early 2019. This included discussions with stakeholders and a public consultation on a draft policy	climate@drcd.gov.ie
			DTCAGSM	<u>Audiovisual Action Plan</u>	The Audiovisual Action Plan is an industry-wide, long-term plan, under the Creative Ireland Programme, to support the Government's ambition to enable Ireland to become a global hub for the production of Film, TV drama and animation. It is intended to drive both increased investment and production across the sector, to grow and sustain employment opportunities in the sector.	Implementation of the Audiovisual Action Plan is driven by an interdepartmental and multi agency Steering Group that meets at least twice each year.	aislingdelacy@tcagsm.gov.ie
			DAFM	<u>Food Vision 2030</u>	Strengthen and Invest in Origin Green and Other Sustainability Supports to reflect the higher ambition for the Agri-food sector : 1) Greater participation in Origin Green 2) Increased application of Digital Innovations and Artificial Intelligence in food and beverages industry 3) Development of the Agri-food Innovation Strategy		harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie

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8.4	Improve progressively, through 2030, global resource efficiency in consumption and production and endeavour to decouple economic growth from environmental degradation, in accordance with the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production, with developed countries taking the lead	DECC	DETE, DAFM	<a href="#">National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants; Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy; National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</a>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie
			DRCD	<a href="#">National Social Enterprise Policy for Ireland 2019-2022</a>	Social enterprises are businesses that work primarily to improve the lives of people. They are natural SDG champions as their core objectives are to achieve social, societal, or environmental impact. They operate right across society and the economy, inherently addressing one or more of the UN SDGs through the various activities of their business. The SDGs are mainstreamed into the National Social Enterprise Policy and implementation of the Policy is opening new opportunities for social enterprises to address social and environmental challenges, and thereby progress towards the SDGs. The policy should be seen as a framework for the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals in Ireland. In addition, it reflects the Irish Government's commitment to facilitating the success of social enterprise in Ireland, as well as underpinning the Government's commitments to equality, human rights and social cohesion.	The development of the policy was underpinned by a research report undertaken in 2017/2018 by the Social Finance Foundation and the Department of Rural and Community Development. Discussions, workshops, and consultations were undertaken as part of the research. In addition the Policy was informed a consultation process was carried out in early 2019. This included discussions with stakeholders and a public consultation on a draft policy.  The Department of Rural and Community Development, engages with a range of social enterprise stakeholders on an on-going basis to achieve the shared ownership and operational delivery of the Policy.	climate@drcd.gov.ie
			DAFM	<a href="#">Agri-food 2030 strategy</a>	Further development and Enhancement of Origin Green Programme - encourage industry to source more sustainably and to get involved in sustainable certification schemes	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: a consultation with Bord Bia, a consultation with industry stakeholders and IGFA.	clodagh.whelan@agriculture.gov.ie

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8.5	By 2030, achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value	DETE		<a href="#">National Economic Recovery Plan</a>	Pillar 4 of The Economic Recovery Plan contains a focus to support employers in the recruitment and retention of people with disabilities and develop initiatives to improve employment opportunities for those with disabilities. This pillar also sets out the promotion of gender equality and the implementation of the gender pay gap information legislation.	This plan does not contain a consultation element	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
			DRCD	<a href="#">National Social Enterprise Policy for Ireland 2019-2022</a>	<p>Social enterprises are businesses that work primarily to improve the lives of people. They are natural SDG champions as their core objectives are to achieve social, societal, or environmental impact. They operate right across society and the economy, inherently addressing one or more of the UN SDGs through the various activities of their business. The SDGs are mainstreamed into the National Social Enterprise Policy and implementation of the Policy is opening new opportunities for social enterprises to address social and environmental challenges, and thereby progress towards the SDGs.</p> <p>The policy should be seen as a framework for the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals in Ireland. In addition, it reflects the Irish Government's commitment to facilitating the success of social enterprise in Ireland, as well as underpinning the Government's commitments to equality, human rights and social cohesion.</p>	<p>The development of the policy was underpinned by a research report undertaken in 2017/2018 by the Social Finance Foundation and the Department of Rural and Community Development. Discussions, workshops, and consultations were undertaken as part of the research. In addition the Policy was informed a consultation process was carried out in early 2019. This included discussions with stakeholders and a public consultation on a draft policy.</p> <p>The Department of Rural and Community Development, engages with a range of social enterprise stakeholders on an on-going basis to achieve the shared ownership and operational delivery of the Policy.</p>	climate@drdc.gov.ie
8.6	By 2020, substantially reduce the proportion of youth not in employment, education or training	DSP	DETE	<a href="#">Pathways to Work; Future Jobs Ireland</a>	<p>Pathways to Work, which was launched in July 2021, represents the next iteration of the government's national employment services strategy and is the government's overall framework for activation and employment support policy.</p> <p>Pathways to Work 2021-2025 is a multi-annual strategy with a mid-term review to be undertaken in 2023. The aim of the strategy, which contains 83 specific commitments, is to assist people back to work as the economy and labour market recovers from COVID-19.</p>	Extensive stakeholder engagement took place during the development of the strategy, with an earlier draft of the strategy subject to Labour Market Advisory Council discussion in late 2020 and regional roadhows undertaken as part of the development process. A midterm review will also be undertaken in 2023.	louise.kavanagh@welfare.ie
				DFHERIS, D.Ed	Various Youth programmes and Youth Employability initiative	Increase soft skills and work experience of young people to assist them in terms of their employability.	A new Work Placement and Experience Programme is being developed under the July Jobs Stimulus. It will particularly benefit young people by providing work experience and on the job training, therefore helping young jobseekers refind their footing in the labour market. Draft guidelines are currently being developed, and engagement with potential employers is ongoing.

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8.7	Take immediate and effective measures to eradicate forced labour, end modern slavery and human trafficking and secure the prohibition and elimination of the worst forms of child labour, including recruitment and use of child soldiers, and by 2025 end child labour in all its forms	DOJ	DFA	<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World commits Ireland to reaching the furthest behind first with the necessary policies, resources and tools to effectively tackle extreme poverty and inequality. This will be realised through four policy priorities: gender equality; reducing humanitarian need; climate action; and strengthening governance.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and African Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
8.8	Protect labour rights and promote safe and secure working environments for all workers, including migrant workers, in particular women migrants, and those in precarious employment	DETE	DCEDIY	Workplace Relations Commission, Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 to 2014; Code of Practice for Employers and Employees on the Prevention and Resolution of Bullying at Work	The Workplace Relations Commission (WRC) is an independent statutory office under the aegis of the Department of Enterprise Trade and Employment. The WRC was established in 2015 and its core services include the inspection of employment rights compliance, the provision of information and the provision of mediation, conciliation and adjudication services. Ireland's comprehensive body of employment rights legislation protects all employees in Ireland who are legally employed on a contract of service basis.	The Inspectorate Division of the WRC carries out inspections of employer records with a view to determining compliance with employment law. These inspections arise: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In response to complaints received of alleged non-compliance with relevant employment rights legislation.</li> <li>• As part of compliance campaigns which focus on compliance in specific sectors or specific pieces of legislation; or</li> <li>• From routine inspections (announced and unannounced) which act as an overall control measure.</li> </ul>	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
8.9	By 2030, devise and implement policies to promote sustainable tourism that creates jobs and promotes local culture and products	DTCAGSM		<u>People, Place and Policy: Growing Tourism to 2025 - Guiding Principles for Sustainable Tourism Development in Ireland</u> <u>It is anticipated that a new national tourism policy which mainstreams sustainability will be put in place by 2023.</u>	Government will place tourism as a key element of its economic strategy, with development in the tourism sector reflecting the highest standards of environmental and economic sustainability. A new national tourism policy has been initiated that will mainstream sustainability, with a view to publishing in 2023. This policy commitment will seek to deliver on Ireland's ambition to be among the world-leaders in sustainable tourism practices, from not only an environmental but also a social and economic perspective. Ireland will seek to be amongst the world-leaders in sustainable tourism practices.	A Tourism Leadership Group was established to oversee the formulation of a series of action plans to implement the goals identified in the tourism policy statement. In 2020 the need to respond to the Covid-19 crisis resulted in the work of the group being put on hold.  In 2021 the Minister presented a report to Government, developed by the Sustainable Tourism Working Group, which identifies a suite of actions that will promote sustainable tourism practices out to 2023. The development of a new national tourism policy will involve a widespread consultation process with the public and stakeholders.	tourismdivision@tcagsm.gov.ie

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8.10	Strengthen the capacity of domestic financial institutions to encourage and expand access to banking, insurance and financial services for all	D.Fin		Sub-Group of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Recovery and Investment has been established by Government to oversee insurance reform implementation. Support Credit Unions in the expansion of services, to encourage community development (PFG commitment)	Stabilise cost of insurance and insurance market generally.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders including representative bodies from industry, consumers and businesses, and other Government Departments/ Agencies on an ongoing basis. The Minister of Finance and Minister of State are members of the Insurance Reform Sub-Group of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Recovery and Investment, and meet credit union stakeholders regularly (generally quarterly) and statutory committee, the Credit Union Advisory Committee (generally monthly).	SDGs@finance.gov.ie
8.a	Increase Aid for Trade support for developing countries, in particular least developed countries, including through the Enhanced Integrated Framework for Trade-Related Technical Assistance to Least Developed Countries	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	<b>A Better World</b> commits to promoting inclusive economic growth and trade and support initiatives that seek to foster trade and investment	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdeucoordination@dfa.ie
8.b	By 2020, develop and operationalize a global strategy for youth employment and implement the Global Jobs Pact of the International Labour Organization	DETE		<u>National Economic Recovery Plan</u>	Under Pillar 2 of the plan there is a focus on youth unemployment with an expanded jobs plus scheme to incentivize the recruitment of young unemployed people. As part of a at greater risk of long-term unemployment. A new EU Reinforced Youth Guarantee process will also seek to widen the target cohort to include those aged 24-29.	This plan does not contain a consultation element	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
			DSP	<u>Pathways to Work</u>	National employment rate target under EU 2020. The Pathways to Work 2021-2025 strategy is currently being finalised by the Department of Social Protection. The strategy will be the next iteration of Government's national employment services strategy and will also be the successor to the Action Plan for Jobless Households.	The development of the strategy has included widespread consultation, with an earlier draft of the strategy subject to Labour Market Advisory Council discussion in late 2020.	louise.kavanagh@welfare.ie



**Goal 9 Build resilient infrastructure,  
promote inclusive and sustainable  
industrialisation and foster innovation**



Target	Target Details	Lead Dept	Stakeholders	Relevant National Policy	National Policy Key objectives	Stakeholder Engagement Activities in Place	Point of Contact
9.1	Develop quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructure, including regional and transborder infrastructure, to support economic development and human well-being, with a focus on affordable and equitable access for all	DPER	DHLGH	<u>NDP, as part of PI2040; Project Ireland 2040</u>	This Capital Plan reflects the Government's commitment to supporting strong and sustainable economic growth and raising welfare and living standards for all.	<p>Project Ireland 2040 is a whole of Government strategy and spans the breadth of Government Departments and agencies.</p> <p>In order to co-ordinate and drive implementation of the NPF in tandem with the NDP, governance arrangements were put in place in the form of the Project Ireland 2040 Delivery Board, which includes high-level representation from across Government.</p> <p>It is co-chaired by the Secretaries General of DPER and DHLGH and has met regularly since 2018.</p> <p>The DHLGH implementation support role is primarily focused on strategic and spatial planning, and has focused on bringing forward institutional, regulatory and investment measures required to deliver compact and regional growth objectives set out in the NPF. As with all public spending departments and agencies across Government, there is a wider DHLGH role in the implementation of the NPF and NDP, through the significant capital investment programmes for which the Department is responsible in the areas of water, housing, the Urban and Rural Development Fund (URDF), as well as local government expenditure.</p>	deliveryboardsecretariat@per.gov.ie
9.2	Promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and, by 2030, significantly raise industry's share of employment and gross domestic product, in line with national circumstances, and double its share in least developed countries	DETE		<u>National Economic Recovery Plan</u>	Pillar 3 of the Economic Recovery Plan- "re-building sustainable enterprises" sets out an ambition to exceed pre-crisis employment levels but in more productive and resilient jobs. This is to be achieved using a two-pronged approach; a focus on domestic SMEs, which is critical for broad-based jobs-led economic growth; whilst leveraging and reinforcing the enormous strength of the Foreign Direct Investment sector.	This plan does not contain a consultation element	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
9.3	Increase the access of small-scale industrial and other enterprises, in particular in developing countries, to financial services, including affordable credit, and their integration into value chains and markets	D.Fin	DETE	<u>Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland (SBCI)</u>	The strategic mission of the Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland (SBCI) is to provide and promote the provision of credit to Irish SMEs and address the failures of the credit market and increase competition. In doing so, the SBCI has implemented loan guarantee schemes on behalf of the DETE and DAFM. It also provides liquidity to non-bank lenders to assist in the provision of credit to the Irish SME market.	The Department will engage with IFIs to ensure governance, policy, strategy and programme performance of these institutions are aligned with Ireland's objectives to promote inclusive economic growth and trade and support initiatives that seek to foster trade and investment.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie

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9.4	By 2030, upgrade infrastructure and retrofit industries to make them sustainable, with increased resource-use efficiency and greater adoption of clean and environmentally sound technologies and industrial processes, with all countries taking action in accordance with their respective capabilities	DECC		<u>Climate Action Plan 2021</u>	<i>The Climate Action Plan 2021</i> , reflects the legally binding targets for 2030 and 2050 by setting a roadmap for taking decisive action to meet these. The 2021 Plan is a cross-government project, with inputs and commitments from a range of Government Departments and State Agencies. It provided indicative ranges of emissions reductions required for each sector of the economy to reach our 2030 target, while also setting out the actions needed to deliver these targets. The next Climate Action Plan will be developed in 2022 to provide an update on the progress made in meeting Ireland's national climate objective and will seek to identify any challenges or obstacles in relation to this progress.	<p>The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.</p> <p>Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.</p>	climatechangeinfo@decc.gov.ie

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9.4	By 2030, upgrade infrastructure and retrofit industries to make them sustainable, with increased resource-use efficiency and greater adoption of clean and environmentally sound technologies and industrial processes, with all countries taking action in accordance with their respective capabilities	DECC	DETE, DAFM	<u>National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants; Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy; National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</u>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie
			DPER, DHLGH	<u>NDP, as part of PI2040; Project Ireland 2040</u>	This Capital Plan reflects the Government's commitment to supporting strong and sustainable economic growth and raising welfare and living standards for all.	Project Ireland 2040 is a whole of Government strategy and spans the breadth of Government Departments and agencies. In order to co-ordinate and drive implementation of the NPF in tandem with the NDP, governance arrangements were put in place in the form of the Project Ireland 2040 Delivery Board, which includes high-level representation from across Government. It is co-chaired by the Secretaries General of DPER and DHLGH and has met regularly since 2018. The DHLGH implementation support role is primarily focused on strategic and spatial planning, and has focused on bringing forward institutional, regulatory and investment measures required to deliver compact and regional growth objectives set out in the NPF. As with all public spending departments and agencies across Government, there is a wider DHLGH role in the implementation of the NPF and NDP, through the significant capital investment programmes for which the Department is responsible in the areas of water, housing, the Urban and Rural Development Fund (URDF), as well as local government expenditure.	deliveryboardsecretariat@per.gov.ie

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9.5	Enhance scientific research, upgrade the technological capabilities of industrial sectors in all countries, in particular developing countries, including, by 2030, encouraging innovation and substantially increasing the number of research and development workers per 1 million people and public and private research and development spending	DFHERIS		<a href="#">Innovation 2020</a>	<b>Impact 2030: Ireland's Research and Innovation Strategy.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A public consultation was held as part of the development of Innovation 2020, the successor to the previous Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation.</li> <li>The Innovation 2020 Implementation Group was formed as a cross Government group to drive implementation of the strategy. Comprised of high-level representatives from research funding departments and agencies, the group meets approx. four times a year. The meetings afford the opportunity for relevant groups to report, present and collaborate on a variety of initiatives.</li> <li>Members of the group, in addition to representatives of enterprise, the public sector and academia participated in the consultation event for the refresh of research prioritisation areas in November 2017.</li> <li>An open stakeholder consultation was held in September 2018 to seek input from interested parties for the Mid-term Review of Innovation 2020.</li> <li>Responsibility for Innovation 2020 and its successor has been transferred to the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in the near future. It is anticipated that open stakeholder consultation will be a part of the development of the successor strategy.</li> </ul>	SDGs2030@dfheris.gov.ie
9.a	Facilitate sustainable and resilient infrastructure development in developing countries through enhanced financial, technological and technical support to African countries, least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States	DFA		<a href="#">A Better World</a>	Strengthening governance is a policy priority in <b>A Better World</b> and includes the ambition to work with partner governments to help promote inclusive growth and trade.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfo.ie
9.b	Support domestic technology development, research and innovation in developing countries, including by ensuring a conducive policy environment for, inter alia, industrial diversification and value addition to commodities	DFA		<a href="#">A Better World</a>	Strengthening governance is a policy priority in <b>A Better World</b> and includes the ambition to work with partner governments to help promote inclusive growth and trade.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfo.ie
9.c	Significantly increase access to information and communications technology and strive to provide universal and affordable access to the Internet in least developed countries by 2020	DFA		<a href="#">A Better World</a>	Strengthening governance is a policy priority in <b>A Better World</b> and includes the ambition to work with partner governments to help promote inclusive growth and trade.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfo.ie

# Goal 10 Reduce inequality within and among countries



Target	Target Details	Lead Dept	Stakeholders	Relevant National Policy	National Policy Key objectives	Stakeholder Engagement Activities in Place	Point of Contact
10.1	By 2030, progressively achieve and sustain income growth of the bottom 40 per cent of the population at a rate higher than the national average	DSP		<u>Roadmap for Social Inclusion 2020 - 2025</u>	National Social Target for Poverty Reduction: reduce consistent poverty to 2% or less by 2025; and to position Ireland within the top five countries in the EU under a number of leading social inclusion.	DSP holds a Social Inclusion Forum where key stakeholders are invited to speak on their experiences. DSP also engages in year-round consultation with the Community & Voluntary Pillar.	social.inclusion@welfare.ie
10.2	By 2030, empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status	DCEDIY		Every Government policy, including The National Strategy for Women and Girls, 2017-2020, National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy, Migrant Integration Strategy, National LGBTI+ Inclusion Strategy, National Disability Inclusion Strategy and Comprehensive Employment Strategy for People with Disabilities	Reduce and remove barriers to inclusion and participation.	In light of the impact of COVID-19 on implementation of the NSWG and the MIS, a decision has been taken to extend the Strategies until the end of 2021. Work on a new strategic policy on gender equality and migrant integration will begin following the completion of a planned independent evaluation of the Strategies.  The NDIS has also been extended for one year to bring it to the end of 2022.	contact@equality.gov.ie
10.3	Ensure equal opportunity and reduce inequalities of outcome, including by eliminating discriminatory laws, policies and practices and promoting appropriate legislation, policies and action in this regard	DCEDIY		Equal Status Act, Employments Equality Act, European Convention on Human Rights Act and all current strategies. No single strategy.	Reduce and remove barriers to inclusion and participation.	A review of the Equality Acts is planned for 2021/2022, with a public consultation period.	contact@equality.gov.ie
10.4	Adopt policies, especially fiscal, wage and social protection policies, and progressively achieve greater equality	D.Fin	DSP	<u>Roadmap for Social Inclusion 2020 - 2025</u>	Become a top five country in the EU in relation to the income quintile share ratio (as that relates to equality).	DSP holds a Social Inclusion Forum where key stakeholders are invited to speak on their experiences. DSP also engages in year-round consultation with the Community & Voluntary Pillar. The Department of Finance hold regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie

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10.5	Improve the regulation and monitoring of global financial markets and institutions and strengthen the implementation of such regulations	D.Fin		<u>Finance Statement of Strategy, 2021-2023</u>	A balanced and equitable economy enabled by a vibrant, secure and well-regulated financial sector.	Investment Firm Directive (IFD) – Directive (EU) 2019/2034 and the Investment Firm Regulation (IFR) – Regulation (EU) 2019/2033 consultation on national discretions; EU level consultation on the renewed EU sustainable finance strategy. Citizens were consulted on new actions to increase private investment in sustainable projects and activities to support the different actions set out in the European Green Deal and to manage and integrate climate and environmental risks into the financial system.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie
10.6	Ensure enhanced representation and voice for developing countries in decision-making in global international economic and financial institutions in order to deliver more effective, credible, accountable and legitimate institutions	D.Fin	DFA	Ongoing Engagement with IFIs; A Better World	The Department will engage with IFIs in shareholding discussion and work with IFIs to develop and implement robust governance frameworks to ensure that developing countries increase their voice and representation at these institutions.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie
10.7	Facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, including through the implementation of planned and well-managed migration policies	DoJ		<u>The Department of Justice Statement of Strategy 2021-2023 and specifically actions supporting Goal 4 “Deliver a fair immigration system for a digital age”</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Develop a fully digital, customer centric immigration service</li> <li>2. Protect the fairness and enhance the efficiency of our immigration system through new strategic policies and legislative proposals</li> <li>3. Communicate effectively with our service users, recognising and understanding their diversity and supporting them to engage effectively with us</li> <li>4. Restructure our immigration services to better serve our customers and our country</li> <li>5. Ensure that effective controls are exercised at our borders in line with our international obligations and to maintain our national security</li> <li>6. Eliminate processing backlogs across all immigration application types</li> </ol>	NGO Immigration Forum .	SDGs@justice.ie



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10.a	Implement the principle of special and differential treatment for developing countries, in particular least developed countries, in accordance with World Trade Organization agreements	DETE		<u>DETE Statement of Strategy 2021-2023</u>	Goal 4 of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment Statement of Strategy 2021-2023 commits to deepening and extending Ireland's global business and trade in a fair and sustainable manner supportive of high labour standards in growing further the all-island economy. In order to achieve this goal DETE has committed to working jointly with the European Commission and EU Member States to ensure that the WTO is at the heart of a global, rules-based, multilateral trading system, delivering on its negotiating, dispute settlement and trade capacity building and outreach remits.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
			DFA	<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World commits Ireland to reaching the furthest behind first with the necessary policies, resources and tools to effectively tackle extreme poverty and inequality. This will be realised through four policy priorities: gender equality; reducing humanitarian need; climate action; and strengthening governance.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
10.b	Encourage official development assistance and financial flows, including foreign direct investment, to States where the need is greatest, in particular least developed countries, African countries, small island developing States and landlocked developing countries, in accordance with their national plans and programmes	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	In 2018 the Government reaffirmed its commitment to the Divisoned Nations target of allocating 0.7 percent of Gross National Income (GNI) to Official Development Assistance by 2030. A Better World provides for the framework for this expansion and commits Ireland to reaching the furthest behind first.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
10.c	By 2030, reduce to less than 3 per cent the transaction costs of migrant remittances and eliminate remittance corridors with costs higher than 5 per cent	D.Fin		<u>Payment Services Directive – at EU level</u>	An EU directive known as the Payment Services Directive (PSD) extends existing rules on transparency to cover payments outside the EU but only as regards the "EU part" of the transaction. A review of PSD2 is currently underway by the European Commission.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie

# Goal 11 Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable



Target	Target Details	Lead Dept	Stakeholders	Relevant National Policy	National Policy Key objectives	Stakeholder Engagement Activities in Place	Point of Contact
11.1	By 2030, ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services and upgrade slums	DHLGH		<a href="#">Rebuilding Ireland Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness</a>	Housing for All is the Government's housing Plan for Ireland. The Plan contains four pathways which will address the current housing crisis and aims to reform the housing system. The first Pathway speaks to Supporting Homeownership and Increasing Affordability, while the second is a Pathway to Eradicating Homelessness, Increasing Social Housing Delivery and Supporting Social Inclusion. The third Pathway is Increasing New Housing Supply, and the fourth Pathway speaks to Addressing Vacancy and Efficient Use of Existing Stock.	There is no single overall stakeholder forum or public consultation process, however there is a wide range of fora in place for engagement under these actions and their sub-actions. For example, the Minister hosts regular meetings of the High Level Housing Delivery Working Group and the Homelessness Taskforce.  Specific to Traveller Accommodation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are two stakeholder forums in which issues relating to Traveller Specific Accommodation are addressed and these policies advanced: The National Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee (NTACC) and the Steering Group meeting of the National Traveller and Roma Integration Strategy (NTRIS). NTRIS deals with many Traveller and Roma related issues, including accommodation and is chaired by the Department of Justice.</li> </ul>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
11.2	By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons	D.Transport		<a href="#">EU Regulation 1370/2007 on Public Passenger Transport Services by Rail and by Road &amp; Dublin Transport Authority Act 2008</a>	To provide funding for socially necessary but uneconomic public transport services.	The NTA regularly undertakes public consultations. In preparing certain policies, strategies and plans, the NTA is required under its establishing legislation, Dublin Transport Authority Act 2008 and Public Transport Regulation Act 2009, to consult with a number of government departments, public bodies, local communities, users and other affected groups For example, under the public consultation in relation to the Bus Connects project approximately 30,000 submissions were received. Furthermore, the NTA undertakes public consultations in respect of proposed regulations.	PTCorporateAndServices@transport.gov.ie
				<a href="#">Rural Transport Programme</a>	To provide, community-based public transport system in rural Ireland to meet local needs.	The National Transport Authority (NTA) has statutory responsibility for securing the provision of public passenger transport services nationally. It also has national responsibility for integrated local and rural transport, including management of the Rural Transport Programme which now operates under the Local Link brand.  Under the Taxi Regulation Act 2013, NTA has statutory responsibility for the regulation of the small public service vehicle sector. In 2019, the NTA published the "Local Link Rural Transport Programme Strategic Plan 2018-2022" which was developed in consultation with the Local Link Offices nationwide.	PTCorporateAndServices@transport.gov.ie

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11.2	By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons	D.Transport		<u>Transport Access for All – Sectoral Plan for Accessible Transport under the Disability Act 2005</u>	Ensures accessibility included in all transport projects from design stage.	In 2018, the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport appointed disability advocates to the Boards of the five Public Transport companies. These new Directors were appointed, following an open process by the Public Appointments Service, to bring their lived and direct personal experience of disability to the Boards of the companies. This was to ensure that the voice of people with a disability would be heard at the top of those bodies responsible for the provision of public transport.	PTCorporateAndServices@transport.gov.ie
				<u>Capital Investment Plan 2016-2021 &amp; Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area 2016-2035</u>	€2.7 billion for investment in public transport has been provided for the remaining four years of the Plan to 2021.	The Programme for Government 2021 commits the Government to making every effort to make active travel and public transport better and more accessible. Following a public consultation, D.Transport is currently drafting a new Sustainable Mobility Policy, which includes accessibility and rural transport considerations.	
			DCEDIY	<u>National Disability Inclusion Strategy, 2017-2021</u>	The Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth has lead responsibility for the development and implementation of the National Disability Inclusion Strategy, and other related Strategies such as the Comprehensive Employment Strategy for people with Disabilities (CES).  There was a full public consultation, by Department of Justice (previous lead Department), during the preparation of the NDIS.	Under the National Disability Inclusion Strategy each Department has in place a consultative committee to monitor actions assigned to individual Departments and its Agencies under the NDIS.  Membership is drawn from Departmental officials, relevant state Agencies and members of the Disability Stakeholders Group (DSG). Members of the public are invited to apply to DCEDIY, through an open selection process, for membership of the DSG for a 3 year period.	contact@equality.gov.ie

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11.3	By 2030, enhance inclusive and sustainable urbanization and capacity for participatory, integrated and sustainable human settlement planning and management in all countries	DHLGH	DPER, D.Transport	<a href="#">Project Ireland 2040: National Planning Framework</a>	Compact urban growth, with services and infrastructure being provided in tandem with new developments, and improving overall quality of life for citizens in urban settlements of all scales, from cities down to villages. In this regard, aspects of the 2009 Ministerial Guidelines on Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas will be reviewed in the coming months with a view to the development of updated guidance on housing density for a broader range of settlement types and contexts, i.e. 'sustainable settlement guidance' (SSG).	<p>Project Ireland 2040 is a whole of Government strategy and spans the breadth of Government Departments and agencies.</p> <p>In order to co-ordinate and drive implementation of the NPF in tandem with the NDP, governance arrangements were put in place in the form of the Project Ireland 2040 Delivery Board, which includes high-level representation from across Government.</p> <p>It is co-chaired by the Secretaries General of DPER and DHLGH and has met regularly since 2018.</p> <p>The DHLGH implementation support role is primarily focused on strategic and spatial planning, and has focused on bringing forward institutional, regulatory and investment measures required to deliver compact and regional growth objectives set out in the NPF. As with all public spending departments and agencies across Government, there is a wider DHLGH role in the implementation of the NPF and NDP, through the significant capital investment programmes for which the Department is responsible in the areas of water, housing, the Urban and Rural Development Fund (URDF), as well as local government expenditure.</p>	deliveryboardsecretariat@per.gov.ie

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11.4	Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the worlds cultural and natural heritage	DTCAGSM		<u>Implementation of the UNESCO 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH)</u>	In December 2015, Ireland ratified the UNESCO 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH), which aims to safeguard, appreciate and raise awareness of intangible cultural heritage while also providing for international cooperation and assistance in this area. To date, Ireland has successfully inscribed three elements of our cultural heritage on the UNESCO Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity and has developed Ireland's National Inventory of ICH, which to date comprises over 30 inscribed ICH practices.	Implementation is monitored through periodic reporting to UNESCO. It is also monitored by the Expert Advisory Committee to the Department which guides the Department on the implementation of aspects of the Convention and makes recommendations to the Minister on cultural heritage practices for inclusion as part of Ireland's National Inventory.	nationalinventoryich@tcagsm.gov.ie
				<u>DTCAGSM is competent authority for the issuance of licences to import and export cultural goods</u>	Under licencing regulations EU 116/2009 (export of cultural goods to 3 <sup>rd</sup> countries) and EU 2019/880 (import of cultural goods form 3 <sup>rd</sup> countries) DTCAGSM is recognised as the competent authority for the issuance of licences pursuant to both regulations.	The Department along with the Revenue Commissioners is represented on the EU Commission Expert Group on the Import and Export of Cultural Goods	colm.lundberg@tcagsm.gov.ie
			DHLGH	<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
11.5	By 2030, significantly reduce the number of deaths and the number of people affected and substantially decrease the direct economic losses relative to global gross domestic product caused by disasters, including water-related disasters, with a focus on protecting the poor and people in vulnerable situations	DFA		<u>The Global Island</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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11.6	By 2030, reduce the adverse per capita environmental impact of cities, including by paying special attention to air quality and municipal and other waste management	DECC		<a href="#">National Clean Air Strategy</a>	This Strategy will provide the framework to promote and identify a range of measures across government policy required to reduce air pollution and promote cleaner air while delivering on wider national and international objectives.	A public consultation on the draft Clean Air Strategy ran from 7 March to 3 May. More than 100 submissions were received, and these are now being reviewed, with a view to finalising and publishing the strategy later this year.	<a href="#">Niall McLoughlin</a> <a href="mailto:Niall.McLoughlin@decc.gov.ie">Niall.McLoughlin@decc.gov.ie</a>
			DETE, DAFM	<a href="#">National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants</a> ; <a href="#">Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy</a> ; <a href="#">National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</a>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	<a href="mailto:Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie">Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie</a>
11.7	By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities	DHLGH	DPER	<a href="#">Project Ireland 2040: National Planning Framework</a>	Urban design, street layouts, amenities and access and public realm design. This is inter-linked with 11.3 and will be addressed through review and proposed development of updated guidance in the coming months, including Sustainable Development Guidance (SSG), Development Plan Guidelines (DPGs), and the existing 2005 Sustainable Rural Housing Guidelines.	Project Ireland 2040 Delivery Board, Project Ireland 2040 Coordination Group.	<a href="mailto:deliveryboardsecretariat@per.gov.ie">deliveryboardsecretariat@per.gov.ie</a>

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11.a	Support positive economic, social and environmental links between urban, peri-urban and rural areas by strengthening national and regional development planning	DHLGH		<a href="#">Project Ireland 2040: National Planning Framework</a>	Sustainable and accessible design of public realm across urban, peri-urban and rural areas. There is inter-linkage between 11.7, 11.3 and 11a, and achievement of goals will be supported by way of review and proposed development of updated guidance in the coming months, including Sustainable Development Guidance (SSG), Development Plan Guidelines (DPGs), and updating of the existing 2005 Sustainable Rural Housing Guidelines.	Project Ireland 2040 Delivery Board, Project Ireland 2040 Coordination Group.	deliveryboardsecretariat@per.gov.ie
				<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
		DAFM	<a href="#">Rural Development Programme (RDP) 2014-2020</a>	To enhance the competitiveness of the agri-food sector, achieve more sustainable management of natural resources and ensure a more balanced development of rural areas.	DAFM have established/take part in : Monitoring Committee, NRN Thematic Sub-Committees , Stakeholder Forum , Ex-ante evaluation incorporating SWOT & SEA.	graham.neilan@agriculture.gov.ie	
11.b	By 2020, substantially increase the number of cities and human settlements adopting and implementing integrated policies and plans towards inclusion, resource efficiency, mitigation and adaptation to climate change, resilience to disasters, and develop and implement, in line with the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, holistic disaster risk management at all levels	DHLGH		<a href="#">Project Ireland 2040: National Planning Framework</a>	Compact urban form, sustainable design and policies, consideration of flood risk assessment in zoning and designing developments (in tandem with OPW), climate adaptation considerations, which will be addressed primarily through proposed updated guidance (as outlined above).	Project Ireland 2040 Delivery Board, Project Ireland 2040 Coordination Group	deliveryboardsecretariat@per.gov.ie
			DECC, DETE, DAFM	<a href="#">National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants;</a> <a href="#">Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy;</a> <a href="#">National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</a>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie



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11.c	Support least developed countries, including through financial and technical assistance, in building sustainable and resilient buildings utilizing local materials	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World commits Ireland to reaching the furthest behind first with the necessary policies, resources and tools to effectively tackle extreme poverty and inequality. This will be realised through four policy priorities: gender equality; reducing humanitarian need, and strengthening governance.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

# Goal 12 Ensure Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns



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12.1	Implement the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production, all countries taking action, with developed countries taking the lead, taking into account the development and capabilities of developing countries	DECC	DETE, DAFM	<u>National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants; Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy; National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</u>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie
12.2	By 2030, achieve the sustainable management and efficient use of natural resources	DECC		<u>Le Chile 23 - Department of Environment, Climate and Communications Statement of Strategy 2021-2023</u>	The vision of the Department for 2021-2023 is to strive towards a climate neutral, sustainable and digitally connected Ireland. Strategic Goal #3 specifically is: transition to a circular economy - protecting and restoring our environment through sustainable resource use.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@decc.gov.ie
		DECC	DETE, DAFM	<u>National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants; Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy; National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</u>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie
			DAFM	<u>Food Vision 2030</u>	Restore and Enhance biodiversity, including 1) Establish baseline biodiversity surveys at farm level for approximately 6,500 pilot farms, 2) Develop a protein strategy to reduce dependence on imported protein crops and open up opportunities in the bioeconomy 3) Communicate the broad range of options for diversification more effectively to farmers. who will need support to adopt them by developing dedicated Diversification Services		harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie

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12.3	By 2030, halve per capita global food waste at the retail and consumer levels and reduce food losses along production and supply chains, including post-harvest losses	DAFM		Rural Innovation & Development Fund	Research projects that are aimed at reducing food waste.	No information provided, please email the contact point for further information.	harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie
			DECC, DETE, DAFM	<u>National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants;</u> <u>Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy;</u> <u>National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</u>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie

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12.4	By 2020, achieve the environmentally sound management of chemicals and all wastes throughout their life cycle, in accordance with agreed international frameworks, and significantly reduce their release to air, water and soil in order to minimize their adverse impacts on human health and the environment	DECC	DETE, DAFM	<u>National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants; Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy; National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</u>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie
				<u>National Clean Air Strategy</u>	This Strategy will provide the framework to promote and identify a range of measures across government policy required to reduce air pollution and promote cleaner air while delivering on wider national and international objectives.	The National Clean Air Strategy is currently being finalised. While there is no public consultation process in relation to the implementation of the Strategy, a recently concluded public consultation on a new Solid Fuel Regulation for Ireland will inform the Strategy. A variety of communication tools have been used during the recent Solid Fuels consultation process including virtual Town Hall meetings and on-line surveys that have enabled us to identify new stakeholders and further consideration will be given on how to facilitate wider engagement in future. This is also being addressed in the forthcoming Clean Air Strategy which will propose the establishment of a range of stakeholder forums, including research, communications, implementation and enforcement groups.	Niall.Mcloughlin@decc.gov.ie
		DETE	<u>Chemicals Act 2008 &amp; 2010</u>	The main purpose of the 2008 & 2010 Acts is to facilitate the enforcement of certain EU Regulations concerning chemicals. These Regulations include the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• REACH Regulation</li> <li>• Classification, Labelling and Packaging (CLP) Regulation</li> <li>• Rotterdam Regulation</li> <li>• Detergents Regulation</li> <li>• Asbestos Regulation</li> </ul> COMAH Regulations  Other National Chemicals Legislation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chemical Weapons Act</li> <li>• Dangerous Substances Act</li> </ul> In October 2020, the EU published a proposal for an EU Chemicals Strategy. This will involve revisions of both REACH and CLP and will require amendments to the Chemicals Acts to give effect to these changes nationally.	The Chemicals Acts 2008 & 2010 are used for the transposition of relevant EU Directives. These Directives have stakeholder engagement at the EU level.  The Department chairs an interdepartmental and interagency steering group on Chemicals to coordinate national policy responses to chemicals-related issues affecting Ireland arising from EU decision-making on matters involving organisations with statutory roles under the Chemicals Acts, as well as other stakeholders which have common interest or concern.	chemicals@enterprise.gov.ie	

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12.5	By 2030, substantially reduce waste generation through prevention, reduction, recycling and reuse	DECC	DETE, DAFM	<u>National Implementation Plan on Persistent Organic Pollutants; Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy; National Waste Prevention Programme (EPA)</u>	The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) was launched in September 2020 with more than 200 recommendations to be attained over the following five year period. To date a number of recommendations have been implemented while others are well advanced. A key recommendation from the WAPCE was the introduction of a Circular Economy Bill which will initiate other recommendations such as the introduction of a number of economic instruments to assist in the reduction of generated waste to reach the relevant targets. The Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 was enacted in July 2022.	Waste Advisory Group was established and is comprised of representative stakeholders across the spectrum- the Waste Industry, Trade Associations, NGOs, social partners. The Group was brought together to assist in the compilation of the Waste Action Plan and its work will continue for the implementation process for the Plan. A sub-group has since been brought together to deal with a specific project under the Plan- namely the introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme for plastic bottles and aluminium cans.	Paul.Mcdonald@decc.gov.ie
			DAFM	<u>Govt. Statement of Ireland's Bioeconomy</u>	The Government's vision for the bioeconomy is to grow Ireland's ambition to be a global leader for the bioeconomy through a co-ordinated approach that harnesses Ireland's natural resources and competitive advantage and that fully exploits the opportunities available while monitoring and avoiding unintended consequences.	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: policy statement public consultation <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/3af1d2-submissions-invited-on-developing-irelands-bioeconomy/">https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/3af1d2-submissions-invited-on-developing-irelands-bioeconomy/</a> ; policy statement stakeholders workshop; High Level Implementation Group Meetings; Irish Bioeconomy Network - Bioeconomy Ireland Day <a href="http://www.irishbioeconomy.ie">www.irishbioeconomy.ie</a> ; the establishment of an Irish Bioeconomy Forum in 2021.	patrick.barrett@agriculture.gov.ie

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12.6	Encourage companies, especially large and transnational companies, to adopt sustainable practices and to integrate sustainability information into their reporting cycle	DETE		<u>Towards Responsible Business: Ireland's Second National Plan on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) 2017-2020</u>	Progress towards this goal was initially achieved through the CSR Stakeholder Forum which implemented the actions of Ireland's Second National Plan on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) 2017-2020. The CSR forum has now ended but DETE is currently discussing how best to continue engagement.	One of the main mechanisms that will be used to encourage sustainable practices is through action 36 of the Second National Implementation Plan. This action concerns the establishment of a suitable mechanism to facilitate business sector engagement with the SDGs. In addition, DETE has begun initial discussions with the UN Global Compact regarding the establishment of a network here in Ireland. The Compact supports businesses globally to align their work with ten principles on human rights, labour, environment, and anti-corruption, as well as advance the SDGs.  The establishment of an Irish network would be a positive development for encouraging sustainable practice among Irish enterprise in making progress towards the Sustainable Development Goal targets, and it is something which the Department will work to facilitate.	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
			DFA	<u>National Plan on Business and Human Rights (in progress)</u>	The National Plan on Business and Human Rights is a whole of government initiative, which seeks to give effect to the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights in Ireland. These Principles, 31 in all, address the risks of adverse impacts on human rights from business activities, and centre on the state duty to protect, the corporate responsibility to respect and access to remedy.	The Business and Human Rights Implementation Group was established to oversee the implementation of the National Plan on Business and Human Rights. The Implementation Group is independently chaired and comprises representatives from civil society, the business community and Government Departments.	dcdecoor@dfa.ie
12.7	Promote public procurement practices that are sustainable, in accordance with national policies and priorities	DPER – OGP and DECC	Strategic Procurement Advisory Group; all government departments	Green Tenders – An Action Plan on Green Public Procurement (GPP) and Circular 20/2019: Promoting the use of Environmental and Social Considerations in Public Procurement	Green Tenders commits the public sector to playing an exemplary sustainability role through its procurement activities. There are eight priority sectors identified for GPP implementation in Ireland, and this Plan adopts a target for 50% of procurement in these sectors (both by number of contracts and by value) to include at least core GPP criteria.  Circular 20/2019 instructs government departments to consider the inclusion of green criteria in their procurements, where measurable, verifiable criteria exist, and to incorporate green consideration in their reporting and planning cycles.	OGP chairs Strategic Procurement Advisory Group that brings together relevant policy departments and the Central Purchasing Bodies. In 2021, OGP and DECC formed an Environmental subgroup of the Strategic Procurement Advisory Group, which also includes membership from the EPA and SEAI. OGP hosts a <u>Sustainable Public Procurement webpage</u> to disseminate information to all public procurement practitioners. OGP, EPA, DRCD, DECC encourage uptake of sustainable / green / socially responsible procurement at numerous events. The EPA facilitates GPP through updated GPP Guidance and criteria, GPP training, and monitoring GPP spend.	Olga.Grant@ogp.gov.ie Brian.Quirke@decc.gov.ie

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12.8	By 2030, ensure that people everywhere have the relevant information and awareness for sustainable development and lifestyles in harmony with nature	OGP and DECC	Strategic Procurement Advisory Group; all government departments	<a href="#">Second National Implementation Plan for the Sustainable Development Goals 2022-2024</a>	The Second National Implementation Plan for the SDGs aims to build on the structures and mechanisms from the first Plan and to develop and integrate additional approaches in areas identified through review and consultation as requiring further action. It sets out Ireland's SDG implementation strategy for 2022-2024 and forms part of a series of consecutive Implementation Plans, each building on the previous iteration, to work towards achieving the SDGs.	The national SDG Stakeholder Forum was established to inform further development of the national SDG framework and to provide a mechanism for stakeholders from all sectors to be engaged with on an ongoing basis in national implementation of the Goals.	SDGs@decc.gov.ie
			DRCD	<a href="#">Sustainable, Inclusive and Empowered Communities A five-year strategy to support the community and voluntary sector in Ireland 2019-2024</a>	Objective 11 commits to support community development and local development to engage with Climate Change adaptation and mitigation strategies, links closely to Objective 8 which commits to strengthening and building understanding and capacity to support the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals National Implementation Plan. A DECC official sits on the cross-sectoral group for local and community development, the group tasked with oversight of implementation of Sustainable, Inclusive and Empowered Communities.	Ongoing engagement and consultation with the C&V sector through the Cross-Sectoral Group on Local and Community Development – this group is charged with the oversight and implementation of the strategy (particular reference to Objective 8)	climate@drdc.gov.ie
			DHLGH	<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.  Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
12.a	Support developing countries to strengthen their scientific and technological capacity to move towards more sustainable patterns of consumption and production	DFA		<a href="#">The Global Island: A Better World</a>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdsdeucoordination@dfa.ie



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12.b	Develop and implement tools to monitor sustainable development impacts for sustainable tourism that creates jobs and promotes local culture and products	DTCAGSM		<u>People, Place and Policy: Growing Tourism to 2025</u>  <u>- Guiding Principles for Sustainable Tourism Development in Ireland</u>	The Sustainable Tourism Working Group Report sets out Ireland's ambition to seek to be amongst the world-leaders in sustainable tourism practices and includes 8 guiding principles for sustainable tourism development in Ireland. In line with our Programme for Government commitments, the development of a new national tourism policy which will mainstream sustainability is underway, informed by the work undertaken by the Sustainable Tourism Working Group and will be consistent with our sectoral climate change targets and commitments	The Sustainable Tourism Working Group is chaired by DTCAGSM and is comprised of representatives from the national tourism agencies and the Irish Tourism Industry Confederation. The group is currently meeting on a regular basis.	tourismdivision@tcagsm.gov.ie
12.c	Rationalize inefficient fossil-fuel subsidies that encourage wasteful consumption by removing market distortions, in accordance with national circumstances, including by restructuring taxation and phasing out those harmful subsidies, where they exist, to reflect their environmental impacts, taking fully into account the specific needs and conditions of developing countries and minimizing the possible adverse impacts on their development in a manner that protects the poor and the affected communities	DECC		<u>Climate Action Plan 2021</u>	<i>The Climate Action Plan 2021</i> , reflects the legally binding targets for 2030 and 2050 by setting a roadmap for taking decisive action to meet these. The 2021 Plan is a cross-government project, with inputs and commitments from a range of Government Departments and State Agencies. It provided indicative ranges of emissions reductions required for each sector of the economy to reach our 2030 target, while also setting out the actions needed to deliver these targets. The next Climate Action Plan will be developed in 2022 to provide an update on the progress made in meeting Ireland's national climate objective and will seek to identify any challenges or obstacles in relation to this progress.	<p>The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.</p> <p>Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.</p>	climatechangeinfo@decc.gov.ie

# Goal 13 Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts



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13.1	Strengthen resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards and natural disasters in all countries	DECC	Government Departments, EPA, CAROs & Las	<u>National Adaptation Framework</u>	This Framework aims to strengthen adaptive capacity and to support the transition towards a climate resilient Ireland by 2050 and also includes support adaptation action at sectoral and local level.	The National Adaptation Steering Committee provide strategic coordination on Adaptation policy. It includes representatives from Government Departments, State Agencies, Climate Action Regional Offices and Local Authorities.  The Committee is chaired by DECC and is responsible for co-ordinating national policy in relation to Climate Adaptation supporting policy coherency.	Kevin.mccormick@decc.gov.ie; Seosamh Olaoi <Seosamh.Olaoi@decc.gov.ie>
			DHPLG,	<u>Sectoral Adaptation Plans</u>	Under the National Adaptation Framework, 6 Government Departments with responsibility for 12 priority sectors were required to prepare sectoral adaptation plans; in line with the requirements of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015. The plans were approved by government in October 2019. Each Plan identifies the key risks faced across the sector and the approach being taken to address these risks and build climate resilience for the future.	The National Adaptation Steering Committee provides strategic coordination on Adaptation policy. It meets regularly and includes representatives from Government Departments, State Agencies, Climate Action Regional Offices and Local Authorities. The Committee is chaired by DECC and is responsible for co-ordinating national policy in relation to Climate Adaptation and also provides monitors overall progress made in implementing sectoral plans across Departments . Responsibility for the implementation and delivery of plans however rests with the lead Government Department that developed the Plan. A number of the Departments have established separate steering groups consisting of sectorally relevant stakeholders to implement the plans. DECC maintains an up to date mailing list for representatives from each sector.	Kevin.mccormick@decc.gov.ie; Seosamh Olaoi <Seosamh.Olaoi@decc.gov.ie>

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13.1	Strengthen resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards and natural disasters in all countries	DECC		<u>Climate Action Plan 2021</u>	<i>The Climate Action Plan 2021</i> , reflects the legally binding targets for 2030 and 2050 by setting a roadmap for taking decisive action to meet these. The 2021 Plan is a cross-government project, with inputs and commitments from a range of Government Departments and State Agencies. It provided indicative ranges of emissions reductions required for each sector of the economy to reach our 2030 target, while also setting out the actions needed to deliver these targets. The next Climate Action Plan will be developed in 2022 to provide an update on the progress made in meeting Ireland's national climate objective and will seek to identify any challenges or obstacles in relation to this progress.	The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.  Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.	climatechangeinfo@decc.gov.ie
			DAFM	<u>Agriculture, Forest and Seafood Climate Change Sectoral Adaptation Plan</u>	Build resilience to the effects of climate change and weather related events in the agriculture, forest and seafood sector	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: stakeholder workshops, public consultation, National Adaptation Steering Group, Department stakeholder group.	maria.talbot@agriculture.gov.ie

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13.2	Integrate climate change measures into national policies, strategies and planning	DECC		<u>Climate Action Plan 2021</u>	<i>The Climate Action Plan 2021</i> , reflects the legally binding targets for 2030 and 2050 by setting a roadmap for taking decisive action to meet these. The 2021 Plan is a cross-government project, with inputs and commitments from a range of Government Departments and State Agencies. It provided indicative ranges of emissions reductions required for each sector of the economy to reach our 2030 target, while also setting out the actions needed to deliver these targets. The next Climate Action Plan will be developed in 2022 to provide an update on the progress made in meeting Ireland's national climate objective and will seek to identify any challenges or obstacles in relation to this progress.	<p>The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.</p> <p>Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.</p>	climatechangeinfo@decc.gov.ie

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13.2	Integrate climate change measures into national policies, strategies and planning		DHLGH	<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
			DAFM	Soil Organic Improvement Measure for Tillage Soils.	Provided for in Budget 2021. This is an agri-environmental measure to encourage tillage farmers to increase soil organic carbon levels thereby reducing emissions by chopping and incorporating straw from crops.	DAFM have held/hold a public forum.	michael.moloney@agriculture.gov.ie
			DAFM	<a href="#">AgClimatise, National Climate &amp; Air Roadmap for the Agriculture Sector to 2030 and Beyond</a>	Promote the use of protected nitrogen products to reduce emissions	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: consultation with fertiliser industry, Teagasc and other relevant DAFM divisions.	barry.oreilly@agriculture.gov.ie
			DAFM	Code of Good Practice for Reducing Ammonia Emissions from Agriculture - as part of Ireland's Clean Air Strategy	Sets out best practice actions to help reduce ammonia emissions on farms.	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: consultation through stakeholder workshops on climate and air , public consultation	liam.brennan@agriculture.gov.ie

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13.3	Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaption, impact reduction and early warning	DECC		<u>Climate Action Plan 2021</u>	<i>The Climate Action Plan 2021</i> , reflects the legally binding targets for 2030 and 2050 by setting a roadmap for taking decisive action to meet these. The 2021 Plan is a cross-government project, with inputs and commitments from a range of Government Departments and State Agencies. It provided indicative ranges of emissions reductions required for each sector of the economy to reach our 2030 target, while also setting out the actions needed to deliver these targets. The next Climate Action Plan will be developed in 2022 to provide an update on the progress made in meeting Ireland's national climate objective and will seek to identify any challenges or obstacles in relation to this progress.	<p>The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.</p> <p>Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.</p>	climatechangeinfo@decc.gov.ie

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13.3	Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction and early warning	DECC		<u>National Adaptation Framework</u>	This Framework specifies the strategy for adaptation measures in different sectors and by local authorities to reduce the vulnerability of the State to the negative effects of climate change and to avail of any positive effects that may occur. This Framework and its successors will set out the context to ensure local authorities, regions and key sectors can assess the key risks and vulnerabilities of climate change, implement climate resilience actions and ensure climate adaptation considerations are mainstreamed into all local, regional and national policy making.	<p>The National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) is the central vehicle supporting stakeholder and public engagement in the Climate Action Plan. We are delivering the NDCA across three key pillars: -Improving climate literacy through communications and education; Funding, supporting and enabling active engagement in climate action; and Capturing insights and evidence through research.</p> <p>Climate Conversation 2022: DECC, with support from the Environment Protection Agency has been operating the National Dialogue on Climate Action (NDCA) since 2017. In 2022 we delivered The Climate Conversations which were designed to ensure reach to as broad and wide-ranging an audience as possible across the whole of Ireland. Taking this approach enabled us to ensure we effectively engaged a range of different segments of the Irish population. The consultation ran for over ten weeks and received input from over 4,300 respondents through our Public Consultation. In addition to the Public Consultation we also spoke with 10 hard-to-reach groups / groups particularly affected by climate change, key demographics, (i.e., students), 15 community and charity networks in Ireland, and 10 subject matter experts which allows for deeper analysis of relevant climate issues. Both of these strands will also feed in to the design of the CAP 2023.</p>	niamh.hamill@decc.gov.ie
			DAFM	<u>Ag Climatise</u>	Roadmap towards climate neutrality with the objective of reducing overall sectoral emissions by 10-15%. Roadmap to tackle air pollution from ammonia in the agricultural sector in Ireland.	DAFM have held/hold the following stakeholder engagements: extensive consultation including stakeholder workshop, public consultation.	dale.crammond@agriculture.gov.ie



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13.3	Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaption, impact reduction and early warning		DAFM	<u>Food Vision 2030</u>	Develop a Climate Neutral Agri-Food system, so that by 2050, the climate impact of methane is reduced to zero and remaining agricultural emissions are balanced by removals and improve air quality  1) Ag climatise roadmap implemented 2) Targeted agri-environmental schemes in next CAP Strategic Plan 3) National Land use review undertaken and DECC led Land Strategy developed and supported		harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie
			D.Ed, DFHERIS	<u>The National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development in Ireland 2014-2020</u>	Ensure that education contributes to sustainable development by equipping learners with the relevant knowledge, the key dispositions and skills and the values that will motivate and empower them throughout their lives to become informed active citizens who take action for a more sustainable future.	Public Consultation on a joint National Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development to 2030 launched 22nd April 2021, by D.Ed and DFHERIS and will remain open until 30th June 2021. <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/">https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/8bce5-joint-public-consultation-on-a-national-strategy-on-education-for-sustainable-development-esd-to-2030/</a> Annual Forum Q4	ESD@education.gov.ie / ESD@dfheris.gov.ie
			DTCAGSM	<u>Creative Ireland Programme - Engaging the Public on Climate Change through the Cultural and Creative Sectors</u>	A new initiative, based on a research paper commissioned by Creative Ireland and published in 2020, sets out work and projects undertaken by the cultural and creative sector in recent years that address the issue of climate change. It also makes recommendations for how the sector can consider further work in this area and the opportunities that the Department of could create to support this work. Recommendations include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing Direct Support</li> <li>• Building Partnerships and Supporting Collaborations</li> <li>• Advocacy at Policy level</li> <li>• Developing Capacity of the Cultural and Creative Sectors</li> </ul> <p>The objective being to assist in the Government's 'Action Plan to Tackle Climate Breakdown" goal to move Ireland towards the goal of net zero carbon emissions by 2050.</p>	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. Further information can be obtained from the contact details here.	creativeireland@tcagsm.gov.ie

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13.a	Implement the commitment undertaken by developed-country parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change to a goal of mobilizing jointly \$100 billion annually by 2020 from all sources to address the needs of developing countries in the context of meaningful mitigation actions and transparency on implementation and fully operationalize the Green Climate Fund through its capitalization as soon as possible	DECC	D.Fin	Climate Finance Roadmap (due to be published in 2022)	Ireland's all-of-Government Climate Finance Roadmap will be published in 2022 and will set out the strategy for achieving Ireland's international climate finance targets. It will outline the vision, objectives, principles, themes, geographic focus and channels for scaling up our climate finance. It will also build on Ireland's strengths as a donor and partner, including through enhancing support for thematic areas in which Ireland is already playing a leading role.	Ireland is a member of the Developed Country Constituency group and attends/ joins regular meetings. In 2019 Ireland entered into a constituency group at board level with Spain and New Zealand to cover the 1st replenishment period 2020 to 2023. Spain, the largest donor within the group hold the Board seat. Ireland rotates the alternate board seat with New Zealand, holding the seat in 2020 and again in 2022.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie
			DFA	<u>A Better World</u>	Climate action is one of four policy priorities in A Better World and includes the ambition to scale up our funding on climate action and explore innovative approaches to climate finance, risk insurance and climate adaptation. The international community has committed to provide \$100 billion per annum by 2020 for climate action in developing countries within the ongoing climate change negotiations. Ireland will maintain its engagement with the UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol global processes, and strive to meet the obligations arising from these.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
13.b	Promote mechanisms for raising capacity for effective climate change-related planning and management in least developed countries and small island developing States, including focusing on women, youth and local and marginalized communities	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	Climate action is one of four policy priorities in A Better World and includes the ambition to scale up our funding on climate action and explore innovative approaches to climate finance, risk insurance and climate adaptation. The international community has committed to provide \$100 billion per annum by 2020 for climate action in developing countries within the ongoing climate change negotiations. Ireland will maintain its engagement with the UNFCCC and Kyoto Protocol global processes, and strive to meet the obligations arising from these.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

# Goal 14 Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development



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14.1	By 2025, prevent and significantly reduce marine pollution of all kinds, in particular from land-based activities, including marine debris and nutrient pollution	DHLGH		<u>Water Framework Directive, Marine Strategy Framework and OSPAR Convention (Northeast Atlantic) including High Seas (OSPAR Hazardous Substances and Eutrophication Strategies and Marine Litter Regional Action Plan Apply). Also, EU Single Use Plastics Directive (EU 2019/904)</u>	<p>Under the MSFD to achieve or maintain Good Environmental Status specific national policy targets are in the revised assessment are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nutrient concentrations are not at levels that indicate adverse eutrophication effects.</li> <li>Chlorophyll a concentrations are not at levels that indicate adverse effects of nutrient enrichment.</li> <li>The concentration of dissolved oxygen is not reduced, due to nutrient enrichment.</li> <li>Within coastal and territorial waters, the concentrations of contaminants do not exceed the threshold values set in accordance with Directive 2000/60/EC.</li> <li>Concentration of contaminants in marine matrices assessed in accordance with OSPAR Coordinated Environmental Monitoring Programme (CEMP) do not exceed OSPAR Environmental Assessment Criteria (EAC) and concentrations are not increasing.</li> <li>Spatial extent and duration of significant acute pollution events are minimised.</li> <li>Levels of contaminants in fish and shellfish caught or harvested in Irish seas for human consumption complies with maximum limits listed in EU Regulation 1881/2006 (as amended).</li> <li>The composition, amount and spatial distribution of litter in the coastline, and on the seabed, are at levels that do not cause harm to the coastal or marine environment. In accordance with the provisions of Article 5 of Directive (EU) 2019/904 by year-end 2023 eliminate beach litter caused by the items prohibited from the market under that Directive. These items are: plastic cotton bud sticks, disposable plastic cutlery and plates, plastic straws, plastic beverage stirrers, plastic balloon sticks, expandable polystyrene fast food containers and expandable polystyrene beverage containers and cups.</li> </ul>	<p><b>International:</b> Implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive through engagement with the EU Common Implementation Strategy (CIS) and its associated Fora. Implementation of OSPAR work is through its committees and the OSPAR Commission.</p> <p><b>National:</b> Implementation of MSFD is overseen by a National Steering Committee of Government Departments, Agencies and stakeholders including eNGOs. Cycle 2 of the Directive is underway with a new determination of GES and revised environmental targets set in June 2020 consultation and a revised monitoring programme put in place in December 2021 both following public consultation. A public consultation process on the revised MSFD programme of measures (PoMs) concluded in May 2022 and a revised PoMs is expected to be formalised in Autumn 2022.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
				<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

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14.2	By 2020, sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts, including by strengthening their resilience, and take action for their restoration in order to achieve healthy and productive oceans	DHLGH		<a href="#">Irish Marine Strategy under Marine Strategy Framework Directive, OSPAR Northeast Atlantic Strategy, OSPAR Northeast Atlantic Strategy</a>	Proportion of national exclusive economic zones managed using ecosystem-based approaches; expansion of the national network of MAPs from 2.13% to 10% as soon as practical and to 30% by 2030 as committed to in the Programme for Government. Legislation to underpin this expanded network of MAPs is currently under development. Also OSPAR network of Marine Protected Areas, OSPAR list of threatened and/or declining species and habitats.	<p><b>International:</b> Implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive through engagement with the EU Common Implementation Strategy (CIS) and its associated Forums.</p> <p>Implementation of OSPAR is through its committees and the OSPAR Commission. Also, through engagement with the UN process on developing a treaty to protect marine biodiversity beyond national jurisdictions.</p> <p><b>National:</b> DHLGH has put in place and ongoing consultation and collaborative process to inform the process of expanding Ireland's network of MPAs including the formation of an expert group which reported in 2020; stakeholder workshops; and a public consultation on the MPA process completed in July 2021 with over 2,300 responses. An independent review and analysis of responses was published on 31 March 2022 and are helping to inform the development of MPA legislation.</p> <p>Implementation of MSFD is overseen by a National Steering Committee of Government Departments, Agencies and stakeholders including eNGOs. Cycle 2 of the Directive is underway with a new determination of GES and revised environmental targets being set in June 2020 consultation and a revised monitoring programme put in place in December 2021 both following public consultation. A public consultation process on the revised MSFD programme of measures (PoMs) concluded in May 2022 and a revised PoMs is expected to be formalised in Autumn 2022.</p> <p>Coordination of national engagement at OSPAR is led by the DHLGH.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

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14.2	By 2020, sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts, including by strengthening their resilience, and take action for their restoration in order to achieve healthy and productive oceans	DHLGH		<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
			DAFM	<a href="#">Food Vision 2030</a>	<p>Enhance the environmental sustainability of the seafood sector 1) the seafood sector will continue on a path of sustainable economic and environmental development by carefully managing the utilisation of sea fisheries and aquaculture 2) contribute to the development of a successor to 'Harnessing Our Ocean Wealth', the integrated marine plan for Ireland encompassing all aspects of the marine, with a greater focus on sustainability</p>		harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie

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14.3	Minimize and address the impacts of ocean acidification, including through enhanced scientific cooperation at all levels	DHLGH		<p><u>Expansion of Network of Marine Protected Areas; OSPAR Northeast Atlantic Environmental Strategy from 2020-2030 (NEAES); National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u></p>	<p>Develop blue carbon potential through expansion Ireland's network of Marine Protected areas to ensure healthy and productive carbon sink habitats and species;</p> <p>Contribute to the delivery of the OSPAR NEAES 3 strategic objectives 11 operational objectives on climate change ensuring that our seas are resilient to climate change and ocean acidification</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>DHLGH is in the process of developing stand-alone legislation to enable the identification, designation and management of marine protected areas. This work is underpinned by ongoing consultation with experts, stakeholders and the general public to identify areas, habitats and species that require protection measures</p> <p><a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/e00ec-marine-protected-areas/">https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/e00ec-marine-protected-areas/</a></p> <p>This is Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
			DAFM	<p>Harnessing Our Ocean Wealth, National Climate Adaptation Strategy (2018); Ireland Climate Strategy to 2020 and beyond; ; National Marine Research and Innovation Strategy; National Planning Framework Roadmap</p>	<p>Healthy ecosystems – protect and conserve our rich biodiversity and ecosystems. Four year programme researching ocean acidification being undertaken by the Marine Institute to inform policy at national and regional level.</p>	<p>No information provided, please email the contact point for further information.</p>	harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie

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14.4	By 2020, effectively regulate harvesting and end overfishing, illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and destructive fishing practices and implement science-based management plans, in order to restore fish stocks in the shortest time feasible, at least to levels that can produce maximum sustainable yield as determined by their biological characteristics	DAFM		Common Fisheries Policy (CFP); Sea Fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction Act 2006; Food Wise 2025 (Food Wise 2030 is in draft by DAFM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Actively promote setting at EU level annual quotas, in line with MSY principles.</li> <li>Promote at EU level the introduction of constructive technical measures that promote sustainability, decrease by-catch and protect fish stocks for the future.</li> <li>Introduce national policies that support the sustainable fishing</li> <li>Give effect to EU policies</li> </ul>	DAFM take part in the EU Fisheries Council and have held/hold stakeholders consultation on Sea Fisheries .	josephine.kelly@agriculture.gov.ie
		DHLGH	<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie	



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14.5	By 2020, conserve at least 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas, consistent with national and international law and based on the best available scientific information	DHLGH		<u>National Marine Protected Areas Policy.</u>	<p>The Marine Strategy Framework Directive commits Member States to creating a coherent and representative network of Marine Protected Areas, The OSPAR network of Marine Protected Areas aims for the relevant Convention on Biological Diversity target of 10% coverage.</p> <p>The Programme for Government commits to introducing new legislation to underpin the expansion of MPAs and to achieve 10% coverage as soon as possible while aiming for 30% coverage by 2030.</p> <p>DHLGH is in the process of developing stand-alone legislation to enable the identification, designation and management of marine protected areas.</p> <p>The target is to publish the heads of bill in Quarter 3 of 2022.</p>	<p>DHLGH has put in place and congoing consultation and collaborative process to inform the process of expanding Ireland's network of MPAs including the formation of an expert group which reported in 2020; stakeholder workshops; and a public consultation on the MPA process completed in July 2021 with over 2,300 responses.</p> <p>An independent review and analysis of responses was published on 31 March 2022 and are helping to inform the development of MPA legislation.</p> <p>It is intended that a formal collaborative process to support MPAs will be incorporated in the forthcoming MAP legislation.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
				<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

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14.6	By 2020, prohibit certain forms of fisheries subsidies which contribute to overcapacity and overfishing, eliminate subsidies that contribute to illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and refrain from introducing new such subsidies, recognizing that appropriate and effective special and differential treatment for developing and least developed countries should be an integral part of the World Trade Organization fisheries subsidies negotiation	DAFM		Common Fisheries Policy; Sea Fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction Act 2006 and the Fisheries (Amendment Act) 2003 under the Framework of the CFP; Food Wise 2025 (Food Wise 2030 is in draft by DAFM)	Manage EU and national funding programmes in line with EU policy	DAFM take part in the EU Fisheries Council and have held/hold stakeholders consultation on Sea Fisheries.	josephine.kelly@agriculture.gov.ie
			DHLGH	<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
14.7	By 2030, increase the economic benefits to Small Island developing States and least developed countries from the sustainable use of marine resources, including through sustainable management of fisheries, aquaculture and tourism	DFA		<u>A Better World; Ireland's Strategy for Partnership with Small Island Developing States</u>	Through <b>A Better World</b> and the Strategy for Partnership with SIDS, Ireland commits to strengthen support for SIDS, especially those most vulnerable to climate impact	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcscsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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14.a	Increase scientific knowledge, develop research capacity and transfer marine technology, taking into account the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission Criteria and Guidelines on the Transfer of Marine Technology, in order to improve ocean health and to enhance the contribution of marine biodiversity to the development of developing countries, in particular small island developing States and least developed countries	DAFM		Harnessing Our Ocean Wealth	Enabler – to build capacity, education, training and awareness. Ireland is an active member of Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and Partnership for Observation of the Global Oceans.	No information provided, please email the contact point for further information.	harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie
14.b	Provide access for small-scale artisanal fishers to marine resources and markets	DAFM		Sea-fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction Act 2006 and the Fisheries (Amendment Act) 2003 under the Framework of the CFP; Food Wise 2025 (Food Wise 2030 is in draft by DAFM); Harnessing Our Ocean Wealth. Seafood Development Programme 2021-27. Irish Inshore Fisheries Sector 2019-2023	<p>DAFM ensure that inshore waters continue to be protected for smaller fishing vessels and recreational fishers and that pair trawling will be prohibited inside the six-mile limit.</p> <p>The Department also support the inshore fishing fleet in generating greater marketing and promotional capacity, by facilitating the establishment of a Producer Organisation for these smaller fishing vessels, thereby providing additional opportunity for the island and coastal communities involved in the inshore sector.</p> <p>This is complemented by continued investment in coastline communities through the Fisheries Local Area Group (FLAG) programme, providing support for innovative projects to boost economic growth and job creation</p>	DAFM organises for and takes part in the following fora: the European Maritime Fisheries Fund (EMFF) Operational Programme Monitoring Committee (OPMC), the National Inshore Fisheries Forum. They also engage regularly with Fisheries Producer Organisations.	paschal.hayes@agriculture.gov.ie

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14.c	Enhance the conservation and sustainable use of oceans and their resources by implementing international law as reflected in UNCLOS, which provides the legal framework for the conservation and sustainable use of oceans and their resources, as recalled in paragraph 158 of The Future We Want	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	In <b>A Better World</b> Ireland commits to strengthening support for Small Island Developing States, especially those most vulnerable to climate impact	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
			DHLGH	Programme for Government 2020, National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021, Marine Strategy Framework Directive, Convention for Biological Diversity Aichi Target 11, OSPAR Northeast Atlantic Environment Strategy (2010-2020) – new strategy to 2030 being drafted.	Implementation of the provisions of UNCLOS through achieving and maintaining Good Environmental Status through MSFD. (GES essentially means that the ocean ecosystem is clean, healthy, diverse and used sustainably). Also through the implementation of the OSPAR Convention through engagement with the OSPAR Commission and it's subsidiary bodies. Both of these higher policy objectives are integrated into specific national environmental targets established in June 2020.	International: Implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive through engagement with the EU Common Implementation Strategy (CIS) and its associated Fora.  Implementation of OSPAR work is through its committees and the OSPAR Commission. Also, through engagement with the UN process on developing a treaty to protect marine biodiversity beyond national jurisdictions.  National: The implementation of MSFD is overseen by a National Steering Group, incorporating Government Departments, Agencies and stakeholders including eNGOs. Cycle 2 of the directive is underway with a new determination of GES and revised environmental targets being set in June 2020 following public consultation. Coordination of national engagement at OSPAR is led by the DHLGH.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

**Goal 15 Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss**



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15.1	By 2020, ensure the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of terrestrial and inland freshwater ecosystems and their services, in particular forests, wetlands, mountains and drylands, in line with obligations under international agreements	DAFM		United Nations Forum on Forestry	Active and fully participating member.	No information provided, please email the contact point for further information.	harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie
			DHLGH	<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>  <u>National Peatlands Strategy and the National Raised Bog Special Areas of Conservation Management Plan 2017-2022</u>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

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15.2	By 2020, promote the implementation of sustainable management of all types of forests, halt deforestation, restore degraded forests and substantially increase afforestation and reforestation globally	DAFM		DAFM Statement of Strategy Goal 3 ; "Forest, products and people": Ireland's forest policy; Food Wise 2025; Climate Action Plan 2021; Ag-Climatise	To increase the forest area, in accordance with sustainable forest management principles and to ensure the sustainable management of the forest resource in accordance with best practice thereby ensuring its capacity to provide the full range of timber and other benefits.	European Forest Institute (EFI).	fergus.moore@agriculture.gov.ie
				DAFM Statement of Strategy Goal 3 ; "Forest, products and people": Ireland's forest policy; Food Wise 2025; Climate Action Plan 2021; Ag-Climatise	To ensure that afforestation, management of existing forests and development of the forest sector are undertaken in a manner that ensures compliance with environmental requirements and objectives and enhances their contribution to the environment and their capacity for the provision of public goods and services.	European Union Commission - Multi-Stakeholder Platform on Protecting and Restoring the World's Forests.	patrick.nulty@agriculture.gov.ie
				DAFM Statement of Strategy Goal 3 ; "Forest, products and people": Ireland's forest policy; Food Wise 2025; Climate Action Plan 2021; Ag-Climatise	To ensure that afforestation, management of forests and development of the forest sector are undertaken in a manner that ensures compliance with environmental requirements and objectives and enhances their contribution to the environment and their capacity for the provision of public goods and services.	EUFORGEN Steering Committee (European Forest Genetic Resources Programme).	brian.clifford@agriculture.gov.ie
		DHLGH	<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie	

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15.3	By 2030, combat desertification, restore degraded land and soil, including land affected by desertification, drought and floods, and strive to achieve a land degradation-neutral world	DHLGH		<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
15.4	By 2030, ensure the conservation of mountain ecosystems, including their biodiversity, in order to enhance their capacity to provide benefits that are essential for sustainable development	DHLGH		<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
			DAFM	DAFM Statement of Strategy Goal 3 ; "Forest, products and people": Ireland's forest policy; Food Wise 2025; Climate Action Plan 2021; Ag-Climatise	To support the sustainable development of the forest sector, recognising its contribution to climate change mitigation and supporting Ireland's international and EU representation on forest policy; including aligning policy with Ireland's commitment to the EU Green deal.	Forest Europe.	fergus.moore@agriculture.gov.ie



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15.5	Take urgent and significant action to reduce the degradation of natural habitats, halt the loss of biodiversity and, by 2020, protect and prevent the extinction of threatened species	DHLGH		<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
			DAFM	<a href="#">DAFM Statement of Strategy Goal 3 and E.U. Reg. 995 of 2010 and E.U. Reg 2173/05 S.I. 316 OF 2014</a>	To support the sustainable development of the forest sector, recognising its contribution to climate change mitigation and supporting Ireland's international and EU representation on forest policy; including aligning policy with Ireland's commitment to the EU Green deal.	DAFM takes part in the following fora: European Union Council Working Party on Forestry, United Nations Forum on Forestry, FAO Committee on Forestry (COFO).	patrick.nulty@agriculture.gov.ie
15.6	Promote fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources and promote appropriate access to such resources, as internationally agreed	DHLGH		<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
			DAFM	DAFM Statement of Strategy Goal 3 ; "Forest, products and people": Ireland's forest policy; Food Wise 2025; Climate Action Plan 2021; Ag-Climatise	To further develop an efficient, sustainable and environmentally responsible supply chain that is compatible with forecast volumes, which will enhance the competitiveness of the processing sector and its wood paying to forest owners. To support the development of a competitive, innovative, value-added and market focused wood processing sector which provides sustainable solutions to a diverse portfolio of users in the construction, lifestyle, renewable energy, furniture and related markets.	DAFM takes part in the following fora: International Tropical Timber Organisation (ITTO), European Commission Standing Committee.	patrick.nulty@agriculture.gov.ie / brian.clifford@agriculture.gov.ie

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15.7	Take urgent action to end poaching and trafficking of protected species of flora and fauna and address both demand and supply of illegal wildlife products	DHLGH		<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
15.8	By 2020, introduce measures to prevent the introduction and significantly reduce the impact of invasive alien species on land and water ecosystems and control or eradicate the priority species	DHLGH		<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

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15.9	By 2020, integrate ecosystem and biodiversity values into national and local planning, development processes, poverty reduction strategies and accounts	DHLGH	CSO	<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
			DAFM	DAFM Statement of Strategy Goal 3 and E.U. Reg. 995 of 2010 and E.U. Reg 2173/05 S.I. 316 OF 2014	To enforce EU Regulation 995/10 and 2173/05 regarding the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market.	DAFM takes part in EU Commission EUTR/ FLEGT Expert Group Meetings.	patrick.nulty@agriculture.gov.ie
15.a	Mobilize and significantly increase financial resources from all sources to conserve and sustainably use biodiversity and ecosystems	DHLGH		<a href="#">National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</a>	<p>Expand and improve management of protected areas and species.</p> <p>Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside.</p> <p>Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors.</p> <p>Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services.</p> <p>Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.</p>	<p>Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.</p> <p><a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a></p> <p>The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.</p>	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

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15.b	Mobilize significant resources from all sources and at all levels to finance sustainable forest management and provide adequate incentives to developing countries to advance such management, including for conservation and reforestation	DAFM		<u>Food Vision 2030</u>	1) Work with the European Commission initiative to introduce a regulation that aims to minimise risk that products linked to deforestation and forest degradation are placed on the EU market and to develop a definition of deforestation-free supply chains 2) Work with the EU Commission to Improve EU regulation		harry.ocrowley@agriculture.gov.ie
			DHLGH	<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie
15.c	Enhance global support for efforts to combat poaching and trafficking of protected species, including by increasing the capacity of local communities to pursue sustainable livelihood opportunities	DHLGH		<u>National Biodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021</u>	Expand and improve management of protected areas and species. Conserve and restore biodiversity and ecosystem services in the marine environment and countryside. Mainstream biodiversity into decision-making across all sectors. Strengthen international governance for biodiversity and ecosystem services. Increase awareness and appreciation of biodiversity and ecosystems services.	Implementation is monitored by a Biodiversity Forum representing various economic sectors, NGOs, academics other relevant stakeholders. The lists for these groups can be found in the appendices of the Plan.  <a href="https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf">https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/National%20Biodiversity%20Action%20Plan%20English.pdf</a>  The National Biodiversity Plan also falls under the Heritage Ireland 2030 framework. An information day following 2000 + public submissions on the development of the strategy were held in Dublin Castle.	SDGs@housing.gov.ie

**Goal 16 Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels**



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16.1	Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere	DoJ		<u>An Garda Síochána Strategy 2019-2021, Policing Plan 2021</u>	<p>The Mission Statement of An Garda Síochána is “to deliver professional policing and security services with the trust, confidence and support of the people we serve.”</p> <p>There are a number of key actions within the 2021 policing plan under 1. Community Policing and 2. Protecting People, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proactively identifying vulnerable people in the community</li> <li>• Proactive contact with victims of domestic abuse</li> <li>• Take action aimed at controlling the level of assaults in public and domestic burglaries</li> <li>• Take action targeting organised crime groups</li> <li>• Monitor public perceptions of fear of crime and level of Garda patrols</li> </ul>	The Policing Plan is monitored by the Policing Authority who hold a number of public meetings with AGS leadership each year.	SDGs@justice.ie
16.2	End abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence against and torture of children	DoJ		<p><u>Second National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking in Human Beings 2016</u></p> <p><u>Department of Justice Statement of Strategy 2021-2023 actions to support Goal 3: Strengthen community safety, reduce reoffending, support victims and combat domestic, sexual and gender based violence</u></p>	Continued development of structures to identify and support victims of trafficking and prosecute those responsible.	The Department of Justice established the Human Trafficking Victims Forum for victims and stakeholders in 2020 to examine avenues of improvement in relation to human trafficking. The forum consists of State, agency and civil society organization stakeholders working together to provide supports to victims of human trafficking.	SDGs@justice.ie
16.3	Promote the rule of law at the national and international levels and ensure equal access to justice for all	DoJ		<u>The Department of Justice Statement of Strategy 2021-2023 and specifically actions supporting Goal 2 “Improve Access to Justice and Modernise the Courts System”</u>	<p>Participate in the EU Commission annual Rule of Law reporting cycle and implement recommendations.</p> <p>A Criminal Justice Sectoral Strategy is currently being developed which will address supports available to those who come in contact with the criminal justice system including the provision of interpretation, translation and other services. It also includes a Strategic Pillar which focuses on improving the user experience of victims, witnesses, offenders and accused persons as they move through the criminal justice system.</p>	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@justice.ie

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16.4	By 2030, significantly reduce illicit financial and arms flows, strengthen the recovery and return of stolen assets and combat all forms of organized crime	DoJ		<a href="#">National Risk Assessment 2019 - Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing</a>	To further strengthen national defences against money laundering and terrorist financing; and ensure the soundness, integrity and stability, and confidence in the financial system as a whole.	Anti-Money Laundering Steering Committee (chaired by DoF) DoF are lead Govt Dept for aml in IE <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/policy-information/7def9c-anti-money-laundering-and-counter-terrorist-financing/">https://www.gov.ie/en/policy-information/7def9c-anti-money-laundering-and-counter-terrorist-financing/</a>	SDGs@justice.ie
				<a href="#">Department of Justice Statement of Strategy 2021-2023</a>	Goal 1: Tackle crime, enhance national security and transform policing; Objective 4: Strengthen measures to tackle terrorism and other serious and organised crime through domestic action and international co-operation  Through its ratification of relevant international criminal justice protocols, Ireland works nationally and internationally to counter all forms of organised crime	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@justice.ie
				<a href="#">Department of Justice Statement of Strategy 2021-2023</a>	Asset recovery - Coordinate on improving mechanisms for collecting and reporting on asset recovery activities	A working group on Asset Recovery - Systems, Processes and Stats - is to be reconstituted in 2021.	SDGs@justice.ie
				<a href="#">Department of Justice Statement of Strategy 2021-2023</a>	Organised crime - Participate in the review mechanism for effective implementation of the United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime (UNTOC)	National review procedures to be determined.	SDGs@justice.ie

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16.5	Substantially reduce corruption and bribery in all their forms	DoJ		<p>The development and implementation of anti-corruption policies does not rest with any one body in this jurisdiction.</p> <p>Future policy to be steered by the recommendations of the Review of Structures and Strategies to Prevent, Investigate and Penalise Economic Crime and Corruption, including the development of a multi-annual strategy to combat economic crime and corruption and an accompanying implementation plan.</p>	<p>Implement recommendations from the new cross-government plan to tackle economic crime and corruption Review of Structures and Strategies to Prevent, Investigate and Penalise Economic Crime and Corruption.</p> <p>Policy objectives are also steered by the following anti-corruption international instruments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC);</li> <li>• the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Convention on Combating Bribery of Public Officials in International Business Transactions;</li> <li>• and the Council of Europe Criminal Law Convention on Corruption.</li> </ul>	<p>A key recommendation to be implemented is the establishment of a cross sectoral, partnership-based Advisory Council against Economic Crime and Corruption by Q3 2021.</p> <p>Additionally, in order to facilitate greater inter-agency co-ordination, collaboration and information-sharing, a forum of senior representatives from relevant bodies is to be established in Q2 2021.</p> <p>Both intended to meet quarterly.</p>	SDGs@justice.ie
				<u>Regulation of Lobbying Act 2015</u>	Designed to provide appropriate transparency on “who is lobbying whom about what”. It allows all sections of society to reach informed evidence-based judgments regarding the extent to which different interest groups are able to access and influence decision-making.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@justice.ie
				<u>Protected Disclosures Act 2014</u>	To provide robust statutory protections for workers in both the public and private sectors against the real or potential penalisation by their employers where they have brought concerns about wrongdoing in the workplace to light.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@justice.ie
				<u>Public Sector Standards Bill 2015 [Currently before the Oireachtas]</u>	To significantly enhance the existing framework for identifying, disclosing and managing conflicts of interest and minimising corruption risks, to achieve a shift towards a more dynamic and risk-based system of compliance and to ensure that the institutional framework for oversight, investigation and enforcement is robust and effective.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@justice.ie



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16.6	Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels	DPER		<u>Houses of the Oireachtas (Inquiries, Privileges and Procedures) Act 2013</u>	Established a comprehensive statutory framework for the Oireachtas (National Parliament) to conduct inquiries within the current constitutional framework.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	ciara.morgan@per.gov.ie
				<u>Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2014</u>	This Act covers some 600 Bodies and provides that new public bodies, as they are established, will automatically be subject to FOI, unless they are specifically exempt.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	niall.mulligan@per.gov.ie
				<u>Ombudsman (Amendment) Act 2012</u>	This Act brought some 180 public bodies within the Ombudsman's remit. This was the most significant extension within 30 years. The Ombudsman's remit was further extended in to include private nursing homes whose residents are in receipt of state support or subvention. (offering greater accountability and assurance to over 20,000 nursing homes residents and their families). Further extensions will be considered.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	ciara.morgan@per.gov.ie
				<u>Corporate Governance Standard for the Civil Service</u>	To strengthen corporate governance in the Civil Service in line with international best practice. Departments/Offices were required to develop their own governance frameworks in line with the standard which set out how each Department and Office does its work and how it operates to deliver on its mandate and functions.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	ciara.morgan@per.gov.ie

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16.7	Ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels	DPER		<a href="#">2014 Guidelines on Appointments to State Boards</a>	Providing access to State Board opportunities to as wide a pool of candidates as possible; strengthening the performance of State Boards by identifying and securing high-quality membership; and; attaining a high level of transparency in the selection and appointment of board members by Ministers.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	No contact information provided.
				<a href="#">Open Government Partnership National Action Plan 2016-2018</a>	Commits the Government to initiatives to promote inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making. These include the National Dialogue on Climate Action and Public Participation Networks for Local Authorities. This Plan also commits the Government to promoting citizen engagement in policy making and the design of public services.	The institution of a Multi-Stakeholder Forum in accordance with the OGP's guidelines is under political consideration.	ian.devlin@per.gov.ie
		DRCD		<a href="#">Sustainable, Inclusive and Empowered Communities: A five-year strategy to support the community and voluntary sector in Ireland 2019-2024</a>	DRCD has statutory responsibility for the local and community development governance structures introduced on foot of the local government reform process, namely the Local Community Development Committees (LCDCs) and Local Economic and Community Plans (LECPs). This involves supporting the operation of the LCDCs and the development and implementation of the LECPs on an ongoing basis. The Department also has oversight of the local participatory structures, namely the Public Participation Networks in each Local Authority area.	The Department in conjunction with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and an LECP Advisory Group are currently developing LECP guidelines which will be cognisant of the Sustainable Development Goals. The LECP sets out the objectives and actions that will be needed to promote the economic, local and community development of the relevant area, both by the Local Authority directly and in partnership with other relevant economic and community development stakeholders. There are currently no meetings planned.	climate@drcd.gov.ie
16.8	Broaden and strengthen the participation of developing countries in the institutions of global governance	DFA		<a href="#">A Better World</a>	In <b>A Better World</b> Ireland commits to strengthening support for Small Island Developing States, especially those most vulnerable to climate impact	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
16.9	By 2030, provide legal identity for all, including birth registration	DFA		<a href="#">The Global Island; A Better World</a>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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16.10	Ensure public access to information and protect fundamental freedoms, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements	DPER		<u>Data Sharing and Governance Act</u>	To provide a generalised legal basis for the sharing of data between public bodies while setting out appropriate principles and safeguards under which such sharing should take place.	Data Governance Board.	Nuala.Byrne@per.gov.ie
				<u>Open Data Strategy 2017-2022</u>	Opening up Government data provides new opportunities for research, innovation, engagement and greater efficiency for all sectors of the economy with the potential to generate business opportunities, stimulate economic growth and contribute to Open Government.	Open Data Governance Board (ODGB).	OpenData@per.gov.ie
				<u>Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2014</u>	This Act covers some 600 Bodies and provides that new public bodies, as they are established, will automatically be subject to FOI, unless they are specifically exempt.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	niall.mulligan@per.gov.ie
		DTCAGSM	<u>Media Mergers Regime</u>	The media mergers regime exists to consider the effect of a proposed media merger on plurality of media in the State. The objective is the pursuit of the public interest to protect and promote a diverse media, both in terms of ownership and content.	The current media mergers regime is conducted in line with the provisions of <a href="http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/2014/act/29/section/74/enacted/en/html#part4">http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/2014/act/29/section/74/enacted/en/html#part4</a> Under section 28B of the Act, the parties to a media merger must notify the Minister within 10 days of the media merger being cleared by the Consumer and Competition Protection Commission, or in certain circumstances, the European Commission. Once notified, the Minister conducts an initial (Phase 1) examination of the media merger to inform his/her determination. The Minister has 30 working days from the relevant date to make one of three possible determinations: that the media merger may be put into effect; that the media merger may be put into effect with conditions, subject to those conditions having been proposed as commitments by the Parties; that they intend to request the Broadcasting Authority of Ireland (BAI) to conduct a full examination of the proposed merger.	hannah.graham@tcagsm.gov.ie	
16.a	Strengthen relevant national institutions, including through international cooperation, for building capacity at all levels, in particular in developing countries, to prevent violence and combat terrorism and crime	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	Strengthening governance is a policy priority in <b>A Better World</b> , this includes the commitment to develop regional approaches to conflict and fragility	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdeucoordination@dfa.ie
16.b	Promote and enforce non-discriminatory laws and policies for sustainable development	DCEDIY		<u>Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC) Act 2014</u>	IHREC empowered to promote best practice, aided by the Public Service Duty commitment.	IHREC supports Government Departments in fulfilling their obligations under the Public Sector Duty.	info@ihrec.ie.

# Goal 17 Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development



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17.1	Strengthen domestic resource mobilization, including through international support to developing countries, to improve domestic capacity for tax and other revenue collection	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	Strengthening governance is a policy priority in <b>A Better World</b> and includes the ambition to strengthen domestic resource mobilisation and tax administrations in developing countries.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
17.2	Developed countries to implement fully their official development assistance commitments, including the commitment by many developed countries to achieve the target of 0.7 per cent of ODA/GNI to developing countries and 0.15 to 0.20 per cent of ODA/GNI to least developed countries ODA providers are encouraged to consider setting a target to provide at least 0.20 per cent of ODA/ GNI to least developed countries	DFA		<u>A Better World;</u> <u>Global Ireland 2025</u>	In Global Ireland 2025, Ireland reiterated the commitment to expand Official Development Assistance and make progress on delivering the United Nations target of allocating 0.7 percent of Gross National Income (GNI) for Official Development Assistance by 2030. A Better World provides the framework for this expansion and commits to reaching the furthest behind.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
			D.Fin	Ongoing Engagement with IFIs	The Department will engage with IFIs and encourage cooperation between MDBs to maximise available resources and ensure their effective allocation.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie
17.3	Mobilize additional financial resources for developing countries from multiple sources	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	Strengthening governance is a policy priority in <b>A Better World</b> and includes the ambition to strengthen domestic resource mobilisation and tax administrations in developing countries	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
			D.Fin	Ongoing Engagement with IFIs; A Better World; The Global Island	Taking guidance for the Domestic Resource Mobilization Initiative; the Department will engage with IFIs to strengthen domestic resource mobilisation (DRM) and tax administrations in developing countries.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie
17.4	Assist developing countries in attaining long-term debt sustainability through coordinated policies aimed at fostering debt financing, debt relief and debt restructuring, as appropriate, and address the external debt of highly indebted poor countries to reduce debt distress	D.Fin	DFA	Ongoing Engagement with IFIs	The Department will engage with IFIs to ensure governance, policy, strategy and programme performance of each institution promote debt sustainability in developing countries.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie

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17.5	Adopt and implement investment promotion regimes for least developed countries	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	Strengthening governance is a policy priority in <b>A Better World</b> and includes the ambition to work with partner governments to help promote inclusive growth and trade.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
17.6	Enhance North-South, South-South and triangular regional and international cooperation on and access to science, technology and innovation and enhance knowledge sharing on mutually agreed terms, including through improved coordination among existing mechanisms, in particular at the United Nations level, and through a global technology facilitation mechanism	DFA		<u>A Better World</u>	A Better World commits to strengthen Ireland's approach to research and learning for development. This includes by working with Irish and international research partners to create knowledge for development and promoting research consortia, led by Irish institutions with international partners, including in developing countries, to develop strong research portfolios and profiles.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
17.7	Promote the development, transfer, dissemination and diffusion of environmentally sound technologies to developing countries on favourable terms, including on concessional and preferential terms, as mutually agreed	DFA		<u>The Global Island; A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
17.8	Fully operationalize the technology bank and science, technology and innovation capacity-building mechanism for least developed countries by 2017 and enhance the use of enabling technology, in particular information and communications technology	DFA		<u>The Global Island; A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie
17.9	Enhance international support for implementing effective and targeted capacity-building in developing countries to support national plans to implement all the sustainable development goals, including through North-South, South-South and triangular cooperation	DFA		<u>The Global Island; A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcacsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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17.10	Promote a universal, rules-based, open, non-discriminatory and equitable multilateral trading system under the World Trade Organization, including through the conclusion of negotiations under its Doha Development Agenda	DETE		Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment Statement of Strategy 2021-2023	Goal 4 of DETE's Statement of Strategy sets out to "deepen and extend Ireland's global business and trade in a fair and sustainable manner supportive of high labour standards and grow further the all-island economy". In order to achieve this the strategy sets out the need to work with the EU to ensure that the WTO is at the heart of a global, rules-based, multilateral trading system, delivering on its negotiating, dispute settlement and trade capacity building and outreach remits.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
			DFA	<u>The Global Island; A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	ccdcseucoordination@dfa.ie
17.11	Significantly increase the exports of developing countries, in particular with a view to doubling the least developed countries' share of global exports by 2020	DFA		<u>The Global Island; A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	ccdcseucoordination@dfa.ie
17.12	Realize timely implementation of duty-free and quota-free market access on a lasting basis for all least developed countries, consistent with World Trade Organization decisions, including by ensuring that preferential rules of origin applicable to imports from least developed countries are transparent and simple, and contribute to facilitating market access	DETE		Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment Statement of Strategy 2021-2024	Goal 4 of DETE's Statement of Strategy sets out to "deepen and extend Ireland's global business and trade in a fair and sustainable manner". In order to achieve this the strategy sets out the "need to work with the EU to ensure that the WTO is at the heart of a global, rules-based, multilateral trading system, delivering on its negotiating, dispute settlement and trade capacity building and outreach remits".	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@enterprise.gov.ie
			DFA	<u>The Global Island; A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	ccdcseucoordination@dfa.ie

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17.13	Enhance global macroeconomic stability, including through policy coordination and policy coherence	D.Fin		<u>Finance Statement of Strategy, 2021-2023</u>	A stable macroeconomic environment and sound public finances.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie
17.14	Enhance policy coherence for sustainable development	DECC	D.Taoiseach	<u>Second National Implementation Plan for the Sustainable Development Goals 2022-2024</u>	The Second National Implementation Plan for the SDGs aims to build on the structures and mechanisms from the first Plan and to develop and integrate additional approaches in areas identified through review and consultation as requiring further action. It sets out Ireland's SDG implementation strategy for 2022-2024 and forms part of a series of consecutive Implementation Plans, each building on the previous iteration, to work towards achieving the SDGs.	The national SDG Stakeholder Forum was established to inform further development of the national SDG framework and to provide a mechanism for stakeholders from all sectors to be engaged with on an ongoing basis in national implementation of the Goals.	SDGs@decc.gov.ie
17.15	Respect each country's policy space and leadership to establish and implement policies for poverty eradication and sustainable development	DFA		<u>The Global Island: A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	dcdecoordination@dfa.ie
17.16	Enhance the global partnership for sustainable development, complemented by multi-stakeholder partnerships that mobilize and share knowledge, expertise, technology and financial resources, to support the achievement of the sustainable development goals in all countries, in particular developing countries	D.Fin		Ongoing Engagement with IFIs	The Department will engage with IFIs and encourage cooperation between MDBs to maximise available resources and ensure their effective allocation, mobilize the private sector and encourage engagement with civil society in support of sustainable development.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@finance.gov.ie



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17.17	Encourage and promote effective public, public-private and civil society partnerships, building on the experience and resourcing strategies of partnerships	All Depts	DCEDIY	<u>DCYA National Strategy for Children and Young People's Participation in Decision Making, 2015-2020, a constituent strategy of Better Outcomes, Brighter Futures</u>	To ensure children and young people have a voice in their individual and collectives everyday lives across the five national outcomes. 7 related objectives and identified within the strategy to achieve this goal	The governance for the Participation Strategy lies within the overall BOBF Structures and in addition the DCEDIY has established an implementation network for the key Depts and Agencies with responsibilities under the strategy. Comhairle na nOg, Comhairle na nOg National Executive and Dail na nOg all operate as permanent youth participation structures to give children and young people a voice in policy decision making both nationally and locally. These structures are very often added to or complemented with additional participation initiatives as relevant to the policy focus.  DCEDIY has established Hub na nÓg, the centre of excellence for the participation of children and young people in decision-making. The Hub is a resource available to support all Government Departments, State Agencies and other relevant bodies in implementing the National Strategy on Children and Young People's Participation in Decision-Making 2015-2020.	contact@equality.gov.ie
			DECC	<u>Le Cheile 23 - Department of Environment, Climate and Communications Statement of Strategy 2021-2023</u>	The vision of the Department for 2021-2023 is to strive towards a climate neutral, sustainable and digitally connected Ireland. Strategic Goal #3 specifically is: transition to a circular economy - protecting and restoring our environment through sustainable resource use.	There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.	SDGs@decc.gov.ie
				DFIN	<u>Finance Statement of Strategy, 2021-2023</u>		There are regular meetings with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis. For further information, please contact the relevant contact point.
17.18	By 2020, enhance capacity-building support to developing countries, including for least developed countries and small island developing States, to increase significantly the availability of high-quality, timely and reliable data disaggregated by income, gender, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, geographic location and other characteristics relevant in national contexts	DFA		<u>The Global Island; A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and Africa Division.	cdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie

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17.19	By 2030, build on existing initiatives to develop measurements of progress on sustainable development that complement gross domestic product, and support statistical capacity-building in developing countries	DFA		<u>The Global Island; A Better World</u>	The Global Island, Ireland's foreign policy, commits Ireland to promoting a fairer, just, secure and sustainable world. A Better World provides the framework for delivering on these commitments, prioritising reduction of humanitarian need, climate action, strengthened governance and gender equality.	The Department engaged in extensive consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of The Global Island and A Better World. The Department engages with civil society stakeholders on an ongoing basis on topical development issues including through the Civil Society Division in the Development Cooperation and African Division.	dcdcsdeucoordination@dfa.ie



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