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Welcome

The Annual Social Enterprise Conference is a chance to make connections across the sector. This directory introduces the people coming along, so you can see in advance who you might like to meet, what they are working on, what they can offer and where they are looking for help.

How to use it

Each profile has four parts: what the organisation does, the topics the person is keen to discuss, what they could offer others, and what they would like help with. The last two are optional, so some profiles are shorter. A good place to start is to look for people whose “looking for help with” matches your “can offer”, and the other way round. Profiles are in alphabetical order by first name, and email addresses are clickable.

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Airfield Estate is a working farm, gardens and educational charity in Dublin, connecting people with food, farming and nature. Through education, research and community engagement, Airfield promotes sustainable food systems and inspires positive change in how we produce and consume food.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Sustainable food systems, food literacy and education, circular bioeconomy, EU-funded research, living labs, climate action, community engagement and cross-sector collaboration.
CAN OFFER	Opportunities for research collaboration, access to a working farm and living lab, expertise in food education and sustainability, stakeholder engagement and EU-funded projects.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building partnerships for collaborative research and EU-funded projects, connecting with social enterprises, and exploring opportunities to translate research into practical impact.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	ArtsEkta is an intercultural arts social enterprise that celebrates heritage, champions cultural diversity, breaks down barriers and connects communities through creative events, projects and festivals.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Intercultural arts, cultural heritage, community cohesion, creative partnerships, social impact, diversity and inclusion, artist development and cross-sector collaboration.
CAN OFFER	Intercultural expertise, access to artists and communities, creative collaborations, cultural programming, partnership opportunities and experience in delivering impactful events and festivals.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building strategic partnerships, accessing funding opportunities, expanding our networks, connecting with diverse artists and cultural groups, and developing collaborative projects across Ireland.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	CycleUp Textiles is a Roscommon Women's Network social enterprise empowering people through textile upcycling and skills training. We turn unwanted textiles into unique products, handmade from 100% upcycled materials in Athleague, Co. Roscommon.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Textile waste and the circular economy Community development
CAN OFFER	Commissioned orders of upcycled products Workshops and training



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Emerald Support Welcome Centre CLG is a not-for-profit supporting less privileged members of the community across Ireland. We provide guidance, advocacy, education, English language classes and community programmes that help people overcome barriers, build confidence and thrive.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social inclusion, community development, adult education and English language programmes, volunteer recruitment, governance, funding and partnerships to support disadvantaged communities.
CAN OFFER	Community guidance and advocacy experience, English language teaching, multi-county reach across Ireland, links with faith and diaspora communities, and willingness to co-deliver projects.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Funding and grant guidance, charity registration and governance support, volunteer and board recruitment, social enterprise models for sustainability, and partners for our 2027 English programme.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Established in 1999, COEC supports local young people and families through youth programmes, crime prevention, crisis intervention, and equine education and activities. Supported by DCC and other funders, COEC helps communities thrive and individuals reach their potential.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	How other businesses started their enterprise journey to support local businesses.
CAN OFFER	Potential space for new local businesses
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Supporting new enterprises and learning what is expected of those facilitating spaces.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Buíon Phort Láirge is a not-for-profit, volunteer-led organisation that takes a bottom up approach to the development of local services and programmes and welcomes engagement from all groups and individuals who align with our values of equality, diversity and inclusion.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	We work in collaboration with others to empower communities and individuals by implementing person-centred programmes and activities that support social inclusion and equality.
CAN OFFER	Our programmes and services cover areas such as; rural & community development, employment training & education, start your own business/social enterprise and climate action.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

Úna Bhán Tourism promotes tourism and supports local businesses in Boyle and the surrounding areas. We operate Boyle Craft Shop, run a weekly Saturday market, and organise community events and festivals

KEEN TO DISCUSS

Tourism development, community engagement, local business support, cultural heritage, event and festival promotion and collaboration on regional tourism initiatives.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

The mission of Count On Us Recruitment is to transform the journey back in to employment for Family Carers who are looking for part time employment around their caring commitments.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

The opportunity to let potential employers know the advantages of offering part time jobs to Family Carers who have diverse skills and experience but may be restricted to positions of 18 1/2 hours



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

GORM is an Irish-based intercultural consultancy and award-winning social enterprise.
Our vision is to spark a movement of unity across differences in order to advance belonging for all. We do this through intercultural media and education. Our work is grounded by the principles of belonging.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

Current context of social enterprises



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Doctoral Programme in Social Economy _Research keywords_: Social economy, social enterprises, hybrid organizations, social impact scaling and social enterprise ecosystems.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social economy, social enterprises, hybrid organizations, social impact scaling and social enterprise ecosystems.
CAN OFFER	My research examines purpose-driven scaling: expanding social enterprise impact and sustainability without compromising mission integrity, creating actionable knowledge for territorial development.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Deeper understanding of the social enterprise context, scaling processes, impact accelerators, and local development in Ireland.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Social Enterprise Academy is a learning and development organisation that facilitates, practical, peer led, interactive programmes focused on leadership, entrepreneurship and sustainability, We work across Scotland, the UK and Ireland
KEEN TO DISCUSS	How can we collaborate to develop really great leadership skills in Irish communities
CAN OFFER	The opportunity to collaborate
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Understand what are the challenges in the social enterprise sector in Ireland



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	BeeUtiful Minds is a neuro-affirming social enterprise supporting neurodivergent children, families and communities through animal and nature-based programmes, therapeutic riding and practical training. We create spaces where every mind feels safe, understood and free to thrive.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Neuroinclusion, inclusive education and family wellbeing; funding, sustainable finance models, social procurement and partnerships to expand neuro-affirming support.
CAN OFFER	Practical neuro-affirming training, inclusive practice insights, and collaboration to make workplaces, schools and communities more welcoming to neurodivergent people.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Finding funding and investment, developing sustainable income models, accessing social procurement opportunities, and building partnerships to expand our neuro-affirming services.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Social Finance Foundation (SFF) provides lending and support to organisations, delivering positive social and community impact across Ireland. Working with two lending partners and multiple funding partners, we expand access to finance to maximise the social outcomes achieved through our work.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	AI Operational efficiencies Social impact reporting



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Idee in Rete is an Italian national social consortium bringing together over 180 social cooperatives. We promote social inclusion, work integration, skills development and innovation through capacity-building, advocacy and national and European cooperation.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social economy, work integration, disability inclusion, digital and green transitions, skills development, social innovation, inclusive services and European project cooperation.
CAN OFFER	Expertise in EU project, work integration, social innovation and inclusive services, access to a broad network of Italian social cooperatives, and opportunities for transnational cooperation.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building European partnerships, exchanging good practices, identifying funding opportunities and developing innovative approaches to inclusive employment, digitalisation and social services.

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The Toy Library is an Irish social enterprise making play more circular, accessible and sustainable through toy sharing, our online platform, and community Swap&Play events that help families reduce waste, save money and connect locally.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Circular economy, degrowth, community engagement, climate action, family events, social enterprise growth, local authority partnerships, corporate partnerships and sustainability.
CAN OFFER	Experience delivering community circular economy events, engaging families, measuring impact, and building partnerships with local authorities and community organisations.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Introductions to local authorities, corporate partners, funders and organisations interested in hosting or supporting our Swap&Play events, plus opportunities to scale our impact nationally.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	We fix bikes! Based in Galway, we repair donated bikes, sell repaired bikes in our Siopa Rothar, run a regular free DIY session where anyone can learn to fix their own bike, and undertake lots of education and outreach in the West.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Bike tyre recycling solutions VAT rules for second hand/repaired goods
CAN OFFER	Mentoring



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	DTNI is the network for community development trusts, associations & social enterprise agencies in NI. We support community ownership & social business, advocating for the rights of communities and for policy & programme investment to advance their mission building community wealth.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Community Ownership (land & property assets, & utility infrastructure), Place & Regeneration, Economic Development, & Community Wealth Building.
CAN OFFER	Expertise in community ownership, policy advocacy in support of the rights of communities and their social businesses and wealth building.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Networking across the island and identifying and connecting with social enterprises, community businesses and civil society organisations with an interest in ownership and the social economy.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Local Development Company (CLG) - Community & Rural Development
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Understand the different Social Enterprises models in Ireland, especially Professional Coop. Rural Food Systems Rural Youth Rural Environment - Climate Change mitigation and adaptation initiatives
CAN OFFER	LEADER Programme Support - Training, A&D and Capital support to your project Wider initiatives on building Rural Food systems and supporting the transition to resilient communities (Green Economy)
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Supports available to Social Enterprise (what Legal structures - how to set it up - what financial models ?)



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Microbe Earth is an Irish social enterprise bringing the microscopic world to life through creative, hands-on workshops. We blend science and art to help children discover how microbes support healthy soil, water, wildlife and people.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Biodiversity and microbiome education, creative STEAM learning, research collaborations, and partnerships to bring hands-on environmental workshops to more schools and communities.
CAN OFFER	Scientific expertise in cell biology, creative workshop design, and hands-on activities that make microbes, biodiversity and ecosystem health accessible and engaging for children.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connecting with funders, research partners and organisations commissioning educational programmes; mentoring on sustainable income and growing our reach across Ireland.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Parents Plus mission is to improve outcomes for families by empowering professionals to deliver our evidence-based parenting programmes in their services. At the heart of our approach is a commitment to working alongside services, national organisations and government to improve outcomes together.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Cross Sector Partnerships; Health and Wellbeing; Research to Systemic Change; Trading maximisation
CAN OFFER	Governance and Board; Impact Measurement and Reporting; Strategy for Improving Outcomes
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connecting with Impact Investors and Philanthropists; Leveraging AI for good



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	We support creative industry, by providing, space, training and connections.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	I am interested in colloboration opportunities that can link local entrepreneurs with a wider network
CAN OFFER	I am a community manager and my focus is supporting and connecting all areas of Creative Sparks community from remote workers entrepreneurs, SME's and creatives.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	I am interested in hearing from organisations that run social community events, what has worked well and what has not.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

Hygiene Hub is a national non-profit on a mission to tackle hygiene poverty by freely providing hygiene, personal care and household cleaning items to those across Ireland who may otherwise go without.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

Corporate partnerships, sustainable funding, logistics and distribution, and scaling social impact. Interested in cross-sector collaboration and learning from organisations navigating growth.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

The Western Development Commission is a statutory body that promotes social and economic development in the Western Region (the counties of Donegal, Leitrim, Sligo, Mayo, Roscommon, Galway and Clare).WDC are project partners on the New Solutions project.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

Social Enterpreneurship and Innovation in Rural areas, Community Wealth building; Cross border Co-operation.

LOOKING FOR HELP WITH

Networking and connections.

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Roscommon LEADER Partnership supports rural communities and social enterprises across County Roscommon through community development, enterprise support, training and funding, helping local people build stronger, more inclusive and sustainable places to live and work.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Community-led development, social enterprise growth, rural innovation, inclusive employment, climate action, community funding and partnerships that strengthen rural communities.
CAN OFFER	Practical experience in community-led rural development, social enterprise support, partnership building, funding pathways and helping local organisations turn ideas into sustainable community impact.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Peer learning, new partnerships and practical ideas to strengthen social enterprises, improve access to funding, measure community impact and support inclusive, sustainable rural development.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Living Woodlands is dedicated to community-led nature restoration through the creation of Biodiversity Havens in collaboration with community groups and schools.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social and Green procurement
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Recruitment



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	For more then 25 years, De Omslag has been a leading knowledge network in Amsterdam, working towards an inclusive economy. By sharing and developing knowledge, we strengthen the social and solidarity economy, so that everyone has a place in the city and a say in their own life, learning and work.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Solidarity Economy.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	At Vantastic, we believe mobility transforms lives. It's the bridge to freedom, independence, dignity and connection. Through [Zingly](www.zingly.ie) and [Veevo](www.veevo.ie), we invest in the vehicles, technology and systems that bring people together, so no one is left behind. When people move freely, society moves forward.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Accessible Transport



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	**RISE Romania** brings together 27 organizations and experts in the field, creating a common voice for social enterprises and other stakeholders contributing to the development of the social economy in Romania.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	public procurement best practices
CAN OFFER	work integration transition and methodology



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	As a global social enterprise , Common Purpose delivers transformative learning experiences for individuals and organisations who want to make a difference in their worlds and the world around them.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Partnerships to take on society's greatest challenges by bringing people together to connect, gain trust and explore collaborations.
CAN OFFER	The ability to convene an open and trusting space that creates inspirational programmes that will foster the ability to identify and exploit new opportunities
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	New partnerships to create experiential programmes to take on society's greatest challenges



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Triest Press are an award winning print and design social enterprise providing meaningful employment and certified training for people with intellectual disabilities.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Impact, procurement, potential consortium/pertnerships and shared resources
CAN OFFER	Income diversification, Impact measurment and inclusive employment
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Consortium development, shared resources and mentoring



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

The Economic Development Office supports economic development through projects including the Dublin City Social Enterprise Awards, ENFUSE which matches Masters students with enterprises to solve business challenges and SoCircular which celebrates and promotes the social and circular economy.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

Support for social enterprises, circular economy initiatives, social procurement, community wealth building, interest in trading at city markets.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

I am a Kilkenny-based entrepreneur, community facilitator and co-founder of Cois Nore Cancer Support Centre. With over 20 years' experience in business, community engagement and supporting others, I am currently completing a BA (Hons) in Social Enterprise and Community Development at TUS Athlone.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

Inclusive employment, social enterprise development, community engagement, programme design and management, sustainable funding models and collaborative partnerships.

CAN OFFER

Experience in entrepreneurship, creative facilitation, community engagement and project development, with practical experience of building partnerships and delivering inclusive workshops.

LOOKING FOR HELP WITH

Exploring partnerships, sustainable funding and inclusive employment models, alongside opportunities to develop and manage meaningful social enterprise and community programmes.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	25yr record of making loans to Clubs, Charities, Social Ents & Communities of all shapes & sizes, with amounts from €25k-€1m on terms & conditions appropriate to the sector. Experience of cross border business support programme delivery, grant fund management, and SME lending in NI.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	New Grant Fund Programmes, Cross Border Collaborations
CAN OFFER	Loan Finance Options
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Awareness on accessibility to social finance



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	We provide experiential social innovation education to young people aged 13 to 25, building the transversal skills required to nurture a strong innovation eco-system on the island of Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Youth led community based innovation. Accessible training, supports, mentoring, funding for young social entrepreneurs. Social entrepreneurship as a career option. AI as a thinking tool.
CAN OFFER	Opportunities to mentor young innovators. Examples of how young people are using AI to develop solutions. Social Innovation as a subject.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Mentors, partnerships and funding opportunities.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Fingal LEADER Partnership (FLP) is a Local Development Company and registered charity, established in 2008 and based in Swords, Co. Dublin. FLP works to strengthen communities and local economies across Fingal and rural Dublin.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Learning how others scaled: getting started, seed funding, corporate sponsorship and philanthropy. Keen to share experience and collaborate on growing our Care & Repair social enterprise.
CAN OFFER	Experience of LEADER funding and community development across Fingal, links to local networks, employment programmes and partnership working with public and community bodies.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Moving beyond grant funding: income models, corporate partners, philanthropy and impact measurement for our social enterprise.



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Mentoring and Enterprise Programmes

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	## Inner City Enterprise is a not for profit charity which was established in 1992 to help unemployed individuals to establish their own businesses in Dublin's Inner City.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Business mentoring, supporting entrepreneurs, and enterprise programme development.
CAN OFFER	An opportunity to join Inner City Enterprise's business mentor panel.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connecting with experienced business professionals interested in becoming mentors to entrepreneurs.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	StartBright is a non profit, charitable organisation that provides early childhood education and school aged services to children, families, and communities in South West Dublin across 7 services. StartBright operates a value-based social enterprise model, overseen by a voluntary Board of directors.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Value based social enterprise organsiations Scale and growth of organisations Policy
CAN OFFER	Scalable model Sustainability Early Years
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Funding opportunities Policy and practice



Esther Onolememen

Founder Sickle Cell Society Ireland

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	A patient-carer led advocacy organisation. Our vision is caring for better outcomes through promoting awareness and education providing family support and referrals to appropriate services, conducting research influencing sickle cell policy decisions and developments in Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Understanding experiences of living with sickle cell
CAN OFFER	Our learning experiences from working with black and immigrant families accessing healthcare
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Broaden our knowledge of possible access issues for our population



Etienne Dewandeler

Manager

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	RES is a network of WISEs in Wallonia (Belgium)
KEEN TO DISCUSS	European networking



Fiona O'neill

Founder & CEO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Count On Us Recruitment champions Family Carers as an untapped part of Ireland's workforce. We connect carers with jobs of up to 18.5 hours a week & help employers design part-time roles that tap into carers' skills & experience.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	\- Flexible jobs for Family Carers \- Employer partnerships and job sharing \- Skills-based hiring \- National policy changes that support Family Carers into paid work
CAN OFFER	\- Access to a network of Family Carers seeking work \- Advice on job sharing & roles up to 18.5 hours a week \- Vacancy promotion through our jobs board \- Research collaboration
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	\- Governance support as we grow \- Funding to expand our employment services \- Introductions to employers offering flexible roles \- Research partners to study barriers to work for Family Carers



Fiona Regan

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The Western Investment Fund provides term loans to community groups and social enterprises, and bridging loans against LEADER approved grants. We give loans to organisations based in Clare, Donegal, Galway, Leitrim, Mayo, Roscommon & Sligo.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Term and bridging loans for community groups and social enterprises



Gareth Ebbs

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Clondalkin-based social enterprise providing premises to the community and voluntary sector, and supports to community.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Facilities management, community support and grants.



Giuseppe Vicari

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Giuseppe Vicari
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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	I help organisations use AI for good.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	AI for good
CAN OFFER	25+ years of experience in corporate customer support strategy, operations and technology. Leveraging AI to drive efficiency and further your mission.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	How can I put my experience, skills and passion to work in the Social Enterprise world?



Graham Harron

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

On a mission to solve the challenges of remote in order to unlock positive social, economic and environmental change for individuals, employers and local communities.

We trade for impact though our employer services (training & consultancy) and build community with volunteers and local events.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

* Impact measurement

* Social value Impact

* Social enterprise operations

* AI for impact

CAN OFFER

* Free training for remote & hybrid workers

* Advice on measuring and reporting on impact

* Discuss maps for impact (GIS)



Harri Kostilainen

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The Finnish Centre of Expertise for Social Enterprises (YYO) supports social enterprises by improving business conditions, strengthening networks, promoting social impact and fostering inclusive employment through advice, research and capacity building.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Research, development and innovation (RDI), social enterprise ecosystems, social innovation, impact measurement, and international research and development collaboration.
CAN OFFER	Research expertise, insights into social enterprise ecosystems, impact measurement and policy development, and opportunities for international RDI collaboration and knowledge exchange.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connecting with international RDI partners, exploring collaboration opportunities, and exchanging knowledge on social enterprise ecosystems, social innovation and impact measurement.



Helena Dempsey

Social Enterprise Development Officer

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Wexford Local Development supports individuals, communities and businesses across County Wexford through training, employment, funding, social and enterprise development. It helps social enterprises start, grow and thrive, creating jobs and lasting community benefits.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Supporting SE start-ups and growth, developing sustainable business models, accessing funding, building partnerships, strengthening governance and creating positive social, economic impact.
CAN OFFER	Guidance, practical support and mentoring to help SE's develop, access funding, build partnerships, strengthen their business models and create sustainable, positive impacts within their communities.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Assist SE's turn ideas into sustainable businesses, overcome challenges, access funding and opportunities, build confidence and create meaningful social and community impact.



Helena O'neill

SICAP Compliance & Social Enterprise Project Leader

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Southside Partnership is committed to supporting individuals, families, and communities experiencing social exclusion by providing a wide range of programmes and services that promote inclusion, wellbeing, lifelong learning, and support workforce participation.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Enterprise effective development of awareness & understanding, connecting with businesses to explore procurement & other support opportunities.
CAN OFFER	20+ years in community & social enterprise development sectors. Developing connections, engagement, programmes, collaborations & partnerships in SE community & with stakeholders
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Creating support that effectively explains procurement, leading to local SE confidence that this is an area they can explore and manage, understanding both the what it is and how to make applications



Indrek Linnuste

Founder

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	**Social enterprise AMANITA, we upcycle wood based on circular economy principles while providing employment opportunities for people with reduced or limited work capacity (health limitation, special needs). Also we offer different social and mental health servicses**
KEEN TO DISCUSS	We are interested in both collaboration and business partners, as well as in new friendships and visits from around the world.
CAN OFFER	I am also lecture and our model—at least in Eastern Europe—is quite unique, bringing together industrial symbiosis, the circular economy, and social services. I can offer courses.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Good opportunities for collaboration and contexts for further development can be found specifically in Europe, since Estonia is a very small country :)



Irina Volia

CEO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	We are an Irish non-profit empowering migrants and refugees to use their skills through education, creativity, volunteering and community projects. Our M to M model supports integration, social enterprise, self-employment and inclusive community development.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social enterprise development, migrant skills activation, inclusive adult education, M to M model, community entrepreneurship, sustainable funding, partnerships and scaling across Ireland.
CAN OFFER	A national network of local community groups, our M to M integration model, facilitator training, creative and upcycling programmes, community engagement and opportunities for joint projects.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	We are seeking funding, strategic partnerships and expert guidance to develop M to M into a sustainable social enterprise, create paid opportunities and scale our model across Ireland.



Jane Weighton

Founder

Future Connect Ireland

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Expert career guidance for CAO, Leaving Cert subject selection and executive interview coaching in Dublin & online across Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Establishing a social enterprise and networking
CAN OFFER	I am a keen observer of the impact of AI on the future world of work and have a strong knowledge of human resourcing.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Business development and networking opportunities



Jason O' Donovan

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Social Factory CLG is an Irish not-for-profit turning former industrial buildings into preventative civic infrastructure. Four domains under one roof (Social, Work, Health, Market) so connection happens naturally and repeatedly. Ireland-first, designed to replicate across Europe.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Adaptive reuse of vacant industrial buildings, social infrastructure, youth wellbeing and belonging, community ownership of buildings, blended and social finance, PPPs with councils.
CAN OFFER	Feasibility thinking on reusing old buildings for community use, design boards, and 13 years running hospitality and events venues.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Funding a building purchase for a CLG: social finance, credit union and council partnerships. Charity registration. Connections in Cork, and anyone who has turned a mill into a community asset.



Jeyald Antony Rasaratnam

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	**Monaghan Integrated Development (MID) is a local development company supporting communities and enterprises across Co. Monaghan. We deliver social enterprise support via SICAP, promote circular economy and community energy initiatives, and drive sustainable growth through various EU projects.**
KEEN TO DISCUSS	**Regional social procurement, strengthening the Co. Monaghan Social Enterprise Network, and updating our local Social Enterprise Strategy. Open to collaboration on regional growth and impact.**
CAN OFFER	**ILO SIYB Master Trainer with international social enterprise experience. Offering support in building regional networks, plus workshops on business planning and financial management.**
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	**Best practices for updating our Co. Monaghan Social Enterprise Strategy, plus insights on building an active regional network through funding, capacity building, and national connections.**



Joan Broderick

Founder

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Pathways.ie helps students and families navigate the practical transition from school to college and further education. Through talks, workshops and resources, we explain everyday college life, available supports and how to seek help early.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	School-to-college transitions, parent education, student wellbeing, access to education, and community partnerships that help young people settle into further and higher education.
CAN OFFER	Over 30 years' experience in student health and education, with practical insights on college transitions, parent engagement, student wellbeing and helping families find the right supports.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connecting with people interested in parent education and college transitions, exploring community partnerships, and sharing ideas on where my experience could make a useful contribution.



Joe Lynch

CEO

Clann Mór Residential & Respite CLG

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Clann Mór empowers service users who avail of our services through the principles of person centeredness. Our objective is to enable people with intellectual disabilities to live meaningful lives of their choosing in their local communities
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social enterprise for people with intellectual disabilities - areas that are safe but meaningful.
CAN OFFER	An opportunity to partner in an enterprise.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Possibly setting up an enterprise.



John Logue

CEO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	SERI is a national representative body for social enterprises in Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social procurement; EU and international policy; innovative use of emerging tech in social enterprise
CAN OFFER	3-month complimentary membership of SERI
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Policy best practices from EU and internationally



John Mcentee

Business Manager

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Recycle IT is a not-for-profit social enterprise —that specializes in recycling electrical, electronic, and pure metal waste (WEEE)
KEEN TO DISCUSS	T/A
CAN OFFER	T/A
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	T/A



John P. Murphy

CEO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Improve the employability & resilience of long term unemployed people by providing structured work experience, accredited industry-led training, mentoring, personal development & support in a real commercial business. We trade, we train, we transform.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Work Integration Social Enterprises; training methodology and models; evaluation tools; procurement



Johnny Sheehan

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The Wheel champions the role of social enterprises, community organisations and charities in building a flourishing society. We do this through advocacy, training and provision of expert advice in areas such as funding, leadership, governance, communications and managing your nonprofit.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	We are interested in discussing the supports social enterprises need so they can focus on their social mission.
CAN OFFER	Expert advice and guidance, leadership supports, relevant training, networking opportunities, advice on domestic and EU funding opportunities.



Joseph Kavanagh

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Kavanagh & Associates helps SMEs, 3rd Sectors organisations and Community Led Initiatives across rural and regional Ireland turn early-stage ideas into structured, sustainable ventures. Guided by Profit with Purpose, we develop practical propositions, governance and delivery plans.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Practical AI for social enterprises; Profit with Purpose venture design; rural and regional community initiatives; governance, sustainable income and partnerships.
CAN OFFER	Venture design support: shaping ideas into practical propositions, governance and delivery plans; helping social enterprises build sustainable income, partnerships and measurable community value.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Practical insight on adopting AI in social enterprises, and collaborators to test rural and community-based enterprise models.



Jukka Lindberg

Director

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Siltavalmennus is a work integration social enterprise, supporting inclusion and employment of persons in vulnerable positions. We also lead the national centre of expertise for social enterprises.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Strategies for social economy and social enterprises. Support structures for social enterprises. Employment and work integration policies and models.
CAN OFFER	How to develop and implement a national strategy for social enterprises and a network-based competence center to support the strategy and the growth of the social economy ecosystem..
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Financing of social enterprises. Use of public procurement and state aid to support social enterprises. Start-up and incubator programs. Programs and funding for social innovations.



Kate Maher

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Dúlra Cill Dara connects children, families and communities with nature through inclusive, child-led outdoor learning. We nurture curiosity, resilience and a lifelong love of the natural world, making nature accessible to all.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Outdoor learning, forest school education, nature connection, childhood wellbeing, biodiversity, environmental education, community engagement, inclusion and accessible nature experiences.
CAN OFFER	Expertise in forest school and outdoor education, nature-based learning activities, community collaboration and creating opportunities for children, teens and families to connect with nature.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building partnerships, accessing funding, expanding our programmes, increasing community engagement and creating new opportunities to make outdoor learning and nature experiences accessible to all.



Katherine Byrne

Social Enterprise Manager

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Pobal manages programmes on behalf of government and the EU. These programmes focus on social inclusion across three areas: children and young people, inclusion and equality, and employment and enterprise.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Enterprise
CAN OFFER	Networking opportunities



Landry Nadia

Présidente

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Notre fédération a pour objet la défense et la promotion des modèles "Entreprises d'insertion" et "Entreprises de travail Temporaires d'Insertion". Ces entreprises développent des activités économiques qui leurs permettent d'accompagner des personnes éloignées de l'emploi.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Le développement de l'économie sociale et solidaire
CAN OFFER	Les sociétés coopératives de type SCOP
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Les modèles d'entreprise d'insertion des autres pays européens et sur les modes de financement



Laura Tiernan

job coach

Dara

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Charity that supports people with intellectual disabilites
KEEN TO DISCUSS	How to start a SE
CAN OFFER	Hiring with people with disabilities
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Setting up a SE



Liam Mcsherry

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	SERI is a national representative body for social enterprises in Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Artificial Intelligence (AI), Community Building, Social Return on Investment (SROI)
CAN OFFER	Artificial Intelligence (AI) Training & Guidance
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Awareness of the sector



Liam Ramsbottom

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	We are the local development company for Co. Laois. We support local individuals and community groups through SICAP, Leader, Tus, Social Enterprise, RSS, RRO, and Community Childcare
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Enterprise is very important. How to raise funds, make funding applications, and generating income is a big topic.
CAN OFFER	I can advise on Enterprise, Social Enterprise, Men's Sheds and Social Framing.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	My main need is advice and support on how to support both new and existing social enterprises.



Linda Ledger

CEO

St Munchins community enterprise centre

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Community enterprise hub, meals on wheels, school lunches, health and wellbeing, education and environmental work, community cafe, catering, flower shop, room rents ect
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social enterprises and the realities of running them
CAN OFFER	20 years of doing the job, working with different government departments and schemes
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Making social enterprises have the same rights as charitable groups, showing our impact



Linda Ward

Secretary

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Charity Retail Ireland CLG is the all island representative body for charities who have retail operations that raise funds for their causes, while supporting the triple bottom line. Our 40 members range from large national charities to local, community based charities and operate over 400 shops.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	* Delivering value to our members as a representative body * EPR for textiles implementation * Impact measurement
CAN OFFER	* Textile policy * Governance expertise * Company formation



Lisa Doyle

Lead WorkPath Facilitator-Employment Services Rehab Enterprises (Group)
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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	A social enterprise that combines commercial business activities with a strong approach centred on creating sustainable, meaningful work opportunities for people with disabilities and those who may face barriers to employment through inclusive hiring practises and tailored in work support services.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Employment Services and Supports within Social Enterprises. Disability Awareness Training Business Development & Networking
CAN OFFER	Business Development through Strategic Networking and Collaboration. Leading employment services and implementing inclusive practises through in work support and person centered planning.



Lorraine Bowen

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The Entrepreneurs Academy works with public, private and community partners to deliver entrepreneurship, innovation, leadership and workforce transition programmes that support inclusion, employment, social impact and sustainable economic development.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	* Enterprise development * Innovation * Traded income development * Stimulating self employment
CAN OFFER	Advice and support to develop training and mentoring interventions that help people who are furthest from the work force to explore the option of self employment in a supported environment.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connecting with organisations who need partners like us to co-create solutions.



Lorraine Corcoran

Director

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Lorraine supports organisations and leaders through board and advisory roles that connect finance, policy, and social impact. Experienced in bringing together public, private, and social sector perspectives to drive inclusive and sustainable economic growth.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social finance, policy and effective implementation
CAN OFFER	Social finance, international perspectives, SERI initiatives
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Whatever is required to make the social enterprise sector more effective



Louise Mcgough

Co-ordinator

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Community Tea room with a little sweet and pantry shop. Also selling local crafters products and providing a community space for local groups like Feroige, chair yoga, tai chi and choir.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Community coffee shops, care of the elderly Community, recruiting volunteers, social inclusion



Lucie Cunningham

Founder & CEO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	THE HomeShare is a national social enterprise matching older people and adults with disabilities with compatible sharers for companionship and practical support. We help people remain at home, reduce loneliness and create affordable housing through the power of sharing.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social enterprise sustainability, housing, ageing at home, tackling loneliness, disability inclusion, and partnerships to scale homesharing through public funding and corporate support.
CAN OFFER	Experience building a national social enterprise without ongoing grant funding, insights into safe homesharing, and practical learning on housing, loneliness, ageing at home and social impact.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building partnerships with government, councils and businesses to expand homesharing nationwide, secure sustainable investment and make our service accessible to more people.



Lyn Donnelly

Manager

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	BACD is a community-led social enterprise supporting jobs, local businesses and community development in Ballinasloe. We manage two enterprise centres and deliver networking, town regeneration and community initiatives to enhance local quality of life.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Community-led regeneration, enterprise hubs, sustainable funding, measuring social impact and partnerships that support local jobs, businesses and vibrant town centres.
CAN OFFER	Practical experience in managing enterprise hubs, delivering community projects, business networking, grant applications and building partnerships with local businesses and public bodies.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Diversifying income, accessing funding, measuring and communicating social impact, and learning from others developing community spaces, recreation amenities and sustainable social enterprises.



Mamobo Ogoro

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	GORM is a multi-award winning social enterprise on a mission to unify across differences and advance belonging for marginalised communities through intercultural media and education.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	1. Business Development & B2B/B2G Procurement 2. Team Development 3. Balancing service delivery with grassroots work.
CAN OFFER	1. Diversity and Inclusion Training 2. Group Facilitation 3. Communications Support for Social Enterprises



Manuela Vollmann

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	arbeit plus is a nationwide network of around 150 non-profit social enterprises. It advocates for fair and inclusive employment, strengthens social enterprises, promotes labour market integration and works towards a socially just and sustainable economy.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social entrepreneurship, inclusive labour markets, gender equality, women's economic independence, sustainable employment and innovative approaches to overcoming structural barriers.
CAN OFFER	Expertise in social enterprise networks, labour market inclusion & gender equality, combining individual empowerment with systemic change to promote equal opportunities.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Seeing lifelong learning as a guiding principle, we value opportunities to learn from others, exchange best practices, build meaningful networks and explore new approaches through collaboration.



Margaret Allen

COO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	NOW Group is a charity and social enterprise creating jobs with a future for neurodiverse people and those with learning difficulties. Through employment services, JAM Card and Loaf social enterprises, we work with people and businesses across Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social procurement, inclusive employment, social value, corporate partnerships, neurodiversity, scaling social enterprise, cross-border collaboration and creating sustainable jobs.
CAN OFFER	Practical experience in social procurement, inclusive employment, social value, neurodiversity and scaling social enterprise, plus insights from JAM Card and Loaf Catering.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connections and partnerships to scale social enterprise, grow social procurement opportunities and strengthen cross-border collaboration across Ireland.



Marianna Pafite

Founder

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	NEOFYTOS is a cultural organization working at the intersection of contemporary art, disability culture, research and access. We make space for disabled people as creators, thinkers, performers, researchers and audiences.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Disability culture, accessible arts, inclusive theatre, disability rights, and international collaborations that empower disabled artists and expand cultural participation.
CAN OFFER	Experience in disability culture, inclusive arts and accessible events; creative collaboration, lived perspectives, and connections with artists and cultural networks in Cyprus.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building international partnerships, finding funding opportunities, improving accessibility, and connecting with artists and organisations for inclusive cultural projects.



Marjan Boers

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	We are an independent, not-for-profit organisation that works to drive social, economic, and environmental progress within Co Meath.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Funding, Social Enterprise Development, Community Supports
CAN OFFER	Funding and support for Business Development, Governance, Training
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Understanding the Social Enterprise Landscape in County Meath and the needs of Social Enterprises



Marlis Kerins

Chairperson

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Dublin Community Mediation (DCM) is a volunteer-led Irish charity providing accessible, impartial mediation services. DCM is exploring a social enterprise model to expand its services, develop training opportunities and generate sustainable income to support its charitable mission.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Exploring how mediation can become a sustainable social enterprise through partnerships, training and paid services, while protecting accessible community mediation and delivering social impact.
CAN OFFER	DCM can offer professional mediation, conflict resolution expertise, training, facilitation and collaborative partnerships to help organisations resolve disputes and build stronger communities.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	DCM seeks support with developing a sustainable social enterprise model, securing funding, building strategic partnerships and expanding its mediation and training services.



Marta Bruschi

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Founded in 1997, Diesis Network advances the social economy, entrepreneurship and innovation. It connects diverse organisations, providing capacity building, research, training and advisory services to foster social impact, improve policies and strengthen cross-sector partnerships.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Innovation Digital , Green transition, CLimate change risks.
CAN OFFER	Peer learning opportunities. Knowledge exchange. Ecossytem development Wide network across Euopre and globally
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Impact Finance Impact measurement Funding diversification



Martina Meegan

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The Yoga4Health Programme helps people to bring about positive lifestyle changes(reducing stress, anxiety, depression and social isolation)through a daily yoga practice. The programme is offered free or at reduced cost to those at risk of developing long term lifestyle related diseases.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Sourcing funding to support the Yoga4Health Programme; how to grow in a sustainable and viable way;charity status or not?
CAN OFFER	Experience with UPower and Ideas Academy, SEI; early experiences setting up a social enterprise;
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	How to register as charity -is this the right option for my SE at this time? Financial modelling and how to establish sustainable enterprise.



Mary Brennan

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Social Farming is an innovative social support, providing people with additional support needs with the opportunity to spend time on ordinary family farms in a non-clinical, inclusive environment.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Inclusion; Farm Diversification; Generational Renewal; Social Policy
CAN OFFER	Information on how ordinary family farms can provide an innovative and inclusive form of social support for margalised and socio disadvantaged people.



Mary Fleming

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Change Clothes is a community-based textile reuse hub and registered charity in Dublin 8. We're tackling textile waste locally, creating opportunities for underemployed people and making reuse fun, affordable and social through creative solutions for textiles at every stage of their lifecycle.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Textile reuse, circular economy policy, social inclusion, community wealth building, social procurement, employment pathways and partnerships that create meaningful local impact.
CAN OFFER	Expertise in textile reuse, creative recovery, community engagement and social enterprise development, plus opportunities for collaboration, training, workshops and circular procurement.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Unrestricted funding, strategic partnerships, social procurement opportunities, scaling our community reuse model and securing a larger, permanent home for our growing organisation.



Mary Osakwe

Training and Development Officer

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	**Carmichael is a leading specialist training and support body for nonprofits and Social Enterprise in Ireland.** Over 30 years experience based on a foundation of 40+ resident organisations we provide expert guidance to nonprofits to support them to become more effective and impactful at what they do.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Enterprise Governance Training Consultancy work



Mary Whitney

COO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Future Cast is Ireland's centre for innovation in digital and sustainable construction. We bring together industry, education, researchers and communities to develop skills, test new technologies and accelerate the transition to a more sustainable built environment.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Digital & sustainable construction, workforce development, community innovation, housing solutions, applied research, skills development, AI, digitalisation, collaborative project development.
CAN OFFER	Expertise in digital and sustainable construction, project development, training design, innovation support, living lab approaches, stakeholder engagement and EU funding collaborations.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building strategic partnerships, funding opportunities, scaling impact, social innovation collaborations, community engagement models, and connecting with organisations driving positive change.



Maura Kiely

CEO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Leave NO Trace is an award winning social enterprise which enables people of all ages to enjoy the outdoors in a resposnible way
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Nature education and conservation
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Leadership, scaling



Melissa Anguah Nortey

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Traveller Counselling Service (TCS) provides culturally appropriate counselling and mental health support to the Traveller community. We offer a safe, understanding space where Travellers and their families can access support, improve their wellbeing, and cope with life's challenges.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Mental health support, Traveller inclusion, community wellbeing, employment opportunities, corporate partnerships, and sustainable funding for Traveller services.
CAN OFFER	Insights into Traveller mental health and cultural needs, experience in community support, and opportunities to collaborate on inclusion, wellbeing, advocacy and equality initiatives.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building corporate partnerships, securing funding, raising awareness of Traveller mental health, and developing initiatives that promote inclusion, wellbeing, and equal access to support.



Michelle Healy

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	In Pobal, we support communities and local agencies in their work to achieve social inclusion and support community development. We provide management and support services to 38 programmes, schemes and services on behalf of a range of Government Departments.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	na



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Connections Arts Centre

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Connections Arts Centre is an award-winning, not-for-profit social enterprise advancing disability inclusion through arts, education and training. Through Accessible Communication Training, Creative TY Connections and Art Sales, CAC generates earned income while empowering adults with disabilities.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Disability inclusion, social enterprise sustainability, earned income, corporate partnerships, accessible communications, inclusive arts, creative employment and community engagement.
CAN OFFER	Accessible Communication Training, inclusive arts partnerships, creative collaborations, corporate volunteering opportunities and practical experience building a disability-led social enterprise.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connecting with corporate partners, expanding Accessible Communication Training, developing new earned-income opportunities and building strategic partnerships to support long-term sustainability.



Niall Mcguirk

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	An alliance of over 75 civil society and trade union organisations in Ireland, collaborating for domestic and global achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Sustainable Development Goals
CAN OFFER	Some insight into what work is being done in Civil Society around the promotion of the Sustainable Development Goals
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Collaborating for the domestic achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals or helping with awareness raising around these



Nicola Rowntree-Carroll

Founder

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	## The Association of Social Therapeutic Horticulture Facilitators in Ireland (ASTHFI) was founded in 2022 out of a passion for empowering others through the medium of nature, whilst recognising the need for best practice exchange for STH facilitators within Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	We provide tailored Mental Health programs to all ages and abilities. We work in community gardens, poly tunnels, anywhere we have access to nature
CAN OFFER	Training, help with setting up sensory gardens, horticulture workshops
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Establishing ourselves as a full Social Enterprise



Noreen Lucey

Secretary and Global Board Member

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	CANIE - Climate Action Network for International Educators- is a global network helping the international education sector take practical climate action, including through the CANIE Accord. CANIE Accord is a commitment framework for international education organisations
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Embedding sustainability in international education and social enterprise. Climate action in the sector through CANIE (canie.org), and partnerships between educators and social enterprises.
CAN OFFER	Secretary of CANIE's Global Board, with 20 years' consultancy in sustainability and international education. Can share the CANIE Accord, resources and network (canie.org).
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Connecting with social enterprises and funders interested in climate action, and with organisations and sharing the governance structure of the global board - and CANIE accord



Olanike Tbw

Manager

The Bold Woman

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The Bold Woman is a community group within your community. We are into financial consulting and providing affordable housing to migrant women and families
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Housing
CAN OFFER	Financial advise,
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Guidance on property investment



Olayinka Oladimeji

Founder/Community Development Lead

Healing & Hope Hub CLG

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Healing & Hope Hub CLG is a nonprofit, community-based organisation in Co. Cork promoting emotional wellbeing, personal development and social inclusion through non-clinical workshops, group programmes, parenting education and community engagement.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social enterprise development, funding opportunities, community wellbeing, social inclusion, strategic partnerships, programme development and collaboration with community and statutory organisations.
CAN OFFER	Experience in community engagement, parenting and wellbeing workshops, youth mentoring, inclusive facilitation and culturally responsive approaches to supporting individuals and families.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Access to grants and funding, strategic partnerships, mentorship, organisational capacity building, programme development and opportunities to expand our community impact.



Orlaith Carmody Duffy

Director

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	I coach and train senior executives and have advised Age Friendly Ireland on communications and business development for several years, Now exploring a social enterprise in the area of advocacy for older people in the workplace
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Older people in workplace, ageism, retaining and recruiting older people, tax incentives for older people to do part time work or consultancy post retirement, flexibility in retirement practices



Patrizia Bussi

Director

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	ENSIE, the European Network of Work Integration Social Enterprises, represents the interests of 31 local, regional and national networks of 'Work Integration Social Enterprises' (WISEs) striving for more inclusive and integrated forms of employment at the European level.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	WISE , work integration social enterprises, employment, vulnerable people



Philip O'donnell

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	LDCN is the national representative body for LDCs in Ireland. LDCs act as an important 'first stop shop' for social enterprises at the community level.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Enterprise policy Social procurement policy Impact measurement
CAN OFFER	Helping to make initial link to your nearest LDC



Ray Burke

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Active Connections leading outdoor intervention chairty. We work across the East and South East delivering services to people in need. www.activeconnections.ie
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Business development Supplying to private markets
CAN OFFER	Strategic development
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Scaling/growth



Rebecca M. Sunnus

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) is an EU advisory body representing employers, workers and civil society organisations. Through its opinions, it brings the voice of organised civil society into EU policymaking, advising the European Parliament, Council and Commission.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Gender equality and competitiveness, work-life balance and family policy, disability inclusion, labour market and social rights, civil society participation in EU policymaking.
CAN OFFER	Insight into how the EESC works and how civil society can shape EU policy, plus expertise on equality, social and family policy. Happy to share experience as rapporteur on an EESC opinion.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Good practices, data and case studies linking gender equality to competitiveness, and contacts in business, research and civil society working on inclusive labour markets.



Richard Deane

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Pobal works on behalf of Government to support social inclusion & community development. We connect policy & practice, brining together public bodies, communities & social enterprises to create lasting social value & positive outcomes across Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Sharing experiences on social procurement, strengthening links between public bodies and social enterprises, fostering innovation, and delivering greater social and economic value.
CAN OFFER	Sharing lessons from Pobal's work on social procurement, social enterprise development, cross-sector partnerships and community-focused innovation. Support from Pobal.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Practical examples, new ideas and partnerships that can help scale social impact, strengthen communities and unlock more social value



Rob Brown

Social Innovation Manager

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Our mission is to strengthen the social innovation ecosystem by fostering active inclusion, promoting equal opportunities, ensuring non-discrimination, and supporting active participation and employability, particularly for disadvantaged groups.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Innovation Social Enterprise Innovation Communications
CAN OFFER	Contact within both The Wheel (Ireland's national association of charities and community groups) and the New Solutions Social Innovatio Hub.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Message amplification, social innovation promotion, enhancing relationships across the social innovation landscape in Ireland and the EU.



Roger Warburton

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Rediscovery Centre is the National Centre for the Circular Economy, leading Ireland's transition to a circular economy.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	How can real value be attributed to green & social enterprise products and services. Making sure green and social products and services are allowed score higher in procurement.
CAN OFFER	Great green & social products and services.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Funding to allow us to continue to trade until such time as society is willing to pay a higher premium for social & green products and services.



Roger Warnock

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Ireland's leading youth led social innovation charity supporting over 15,000 young people annually become future changemakers.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Collaboration and partnerships
CAN OFFER	Help on strategy, scaling social enterprises and social innovation
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Impact measurement



Roisin Walsh

Founder

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Animal Arts is a creative social enterprise that funds animal sanctuaries and community arts through ethical retail.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Arts initiatives, community development, animal rights ethical retail, upcycling, circular economy and sustainability.
CAN OFFER	I can help craft radio adverts "jingles". I can also facilitate drumming workshops for team building.



Rosemary Kunene

CEO

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Dignity Partnership is a migrantled community education social enterprise tackling information poverty and strengthening relationships between migrants and host communities in Ireland through interactive workshops that spark honest, practical conversations on inclusion and participation.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social cohesion & inclusion; active citizenship; civic participation & community dialogue; workplace dignity & inclusive public services; addressing contemporary social challenges
CAN OFFER	Community dialogues, lived-experience insight, inclusive service design, community mapping and partnership support to strengthen social cohesion, participation and access to opportunities.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Support with marketing and promotion, access to networks and referrals, evaluating and demonstrating programme impact.



Rúben Rebelo

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social economy, social enterprise, social innovation, socially responsible public procurement



Said Yasin Dirie

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Wadajir Somali Association Ireland is a volunteer-led community organisation in Dublin. We support migrants and newcomers to access information and services, learn, connect and take part fully in Irish society, while promoting integration, inclusion and positive community relations.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Migrant integration and inclusion, anti-racism, community safety, English language and education, access to services, youth and sport, intercultural events, advocacy and funding partnerships.
CAN OFFER	Trusted links with Somali and migrant communities, Somali-English language support, community outreach (1,000+ WhatsApp network), event partnership, and lived experience to shape inclusive services.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Sustainable funding, volunteer training, partnerships with public bodies and NGOs, access to community spaces, and support to strengthen our governance and register as a charity.



Sam Marchetti

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Social Procurement Consultancy Firm, AI Advisors and Social Enterprise Growth Strategists
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social & Sustainable Procurement design for Contracting Authorities and Public Sector Bodies
CAN OFFER	Procurement Advisory, SPP Design, Contract & Clauses, Dispute Avoidance, Procurement Excellence



Samantha Machado

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	LDCN is a member-led network of Local Development Companies across Ireland, working together to support one another and the communities they serve through collaboration, shared learning, and agreed policy positions. LDCN represents 49 LDCs across Ireland.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Innovation Rural Development



Sarah Daly

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Creative Spark provides dedicated training and workspace facilities in Dundalk. We welcome and support new and established small businesses operating within the creative industries, innovation, technology, sustainable energy and community sectors.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Training, development, community, creativity.
CAN OFFER	Creativity, upskilling, support, networks.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Accreditation of training programmes.



Sarah De Heusch

Director

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	**Social Economy Europe represents** the **voice of 4.3 million social economy enterprises and organisations in Europe.** SEE federates the social economy families (cooperatives, mutuals, associations, foundations and social enterprises) to **build common messages and advocate towards the EU Institutions**
KEEN TO DISCUSS	EU policies and EU funding linked to social economy
CAN OFFER	Information on EU policies and participation to an EU wide campaign to raise awareness about economy.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Raising awareness about social economy.



Sarah Hofmayer

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Pobal works on behalf of Government, and in collaboration with communities and local organisations, to support social inclusion and local and community development
KEEN TO DISCUSS	social enterprise funding, legal form, social enterprise lifecycle, policy, social innovation, social procurement



Scott Bryan

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	### [Community Roots](www.communityroots.ie) transforms underused spaces into thriving, shared places where people learn, connect and thrive. Our flagship programme, “Soil Mates’, is Ireland’s first structured garden-sharing initiative. We match garden owners with local budding growers to grow food and community.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Potential partnerships.



Senthil Kumar Ramasamy

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	We provide Irish & EU immigration guidance, naturalisation process, IRP stamp renewals, family law advice etc
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Immigration
CAN OFFER	Legal Advice



Sergiu Gurau

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Moldova's first work integration social enterprise (WISE) in catering, founded in 2013 in Răzeni. We provide catering services while creating paid jobs and on-the-job training for people from vulnerable groups, who make up over half of our 51 staff. Over 89% self-financed; ENSIE member.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Work integration models; social clauses in public procurement; green transition for small enterprises (we run solar energy); social enterprise policy; EU–Moldova partnerships.
CAN OFFER	12+ years running a catering WISE in an EU candidate country; insight into Moldova's social enterprise law and policy; a ready partner for EU-funded projects; ENSIE board network.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Partners for joint EU projects and study visits; how Irish social enterprises win public and corporate contracts; diversifying revenue beyond catering.



Shauna Mcclenaghan

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	IDP is a community-led Local Development Company supporting social, economic, cultural and environmental development across Inishowen since 1996. We empower people, strengthen communities, and deliver a wide range of rural development and social inclusion programmes.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social Cohesion. Social Procurement



Sinéad Pullen

Board Member

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	One of our main success stories is **'The Old Hardware Shop & Tearoom'**, a vibrant community-run shop and tearoom. Originally a traditional hardware shop that closed in 2005, the space was transformed by local volunteers into a thriving community hub, breathing new life into the village.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Community Cafés, Bakery, Business Growth, Sustainability
CAN OFFER	Community Cafes, Volunteer Recruitment, Start-up advice
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Business Growth Opportunities



Steven Egan

Project Manager

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	InterTradeIreland accelerates trade and economic growth by connecting business and social enterprises to new opportunities across the island of Ireland. Since 1999, the organisation has supported the growth of cross-border trade from €2 billion to €17 billion, empowering SMEs to scale and succeed.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Keen to connect with ambitious social enterprises interested in cross-border growth, market development, innovation and collaborative opportunities across the island of Ireland.
CAN OFFER	[We offer <u>practical support</u> for social enterprises](https://intertradeireland.com/), including: * [cross-border sales planning](https://intertradeireland.com/sales-growth/trade-export-pathway), * [sales recruitment](https://intertradeireland.com/sales-growth/acumen) * [procurement training](https://intertradeireland.com/sales-growth/tender-successfully/go-2-tender) * [all-island opportunities.](https://intertradeireland.com/cross-border-trade)
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	I'd love to [hear from any social enterprise interested in growth and opportunities in Northern Ireland](https://www.linkedin.com/in/stmegan/) and get a better understanding the kind of support they need to succeed.



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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

The Bike Hub uses cycling to strengthen civic engagement & stimulate economic activities while promoting a culture of inclusion, healthy lifestyles & environmental sustainability. We work to foster a culture of cycling as a platform for socio-economic inclusion & community development.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

* access to space

* access to CapEx funding

* other opportunities for training, social impact and community collaboration



Susan Adams

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION

We are a national, not-for-profit social enterprise laying the foundation for a more sustainable future for all through climate education and action, working with schools, communities and businesses to build the knowledge, skills and confidence people need to tackle climate change together.

KEEN TO DISCUSS

Climate education in schools, community climate action, sustainability skills for businesses, net zero pathways, green skills, social procurement, funding and partnerships to scale impact.

CAN OFFER

Peer support and shared learning, expertise in climate education and engagement, ready-made programmes for schools, communities and businesses, and partnerships to deliver social value.

LOOKING FOR HELP WITH

Connecting with funders and businesses seeking social value partners, navigating social procurement, growing our reach into new communities and sharing impact measurement approaches



Susan Broderick

Coordinator

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The IWA's Ability Programme is a job seeking and employability programme that provides coaching and supports people with disabilities into employment.



Susann Sullivan

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	CanDo produces a range of handcrafted candles, soaps and skincare products. Through this work, we provide meaningful training and employment opportunities for people who are blind or vision impaired.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social impact measurement, sustainability and the circular economy, social enterprise development, inclusive employment.
CAN OFFER	Advice and knowledge-sharing on sustainability, inclusive employment, social impact measurement and social enterprise development.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Strengthening our digital presence to increase brand awareness allowing us to expand our retail & wholesale reach & grow our corporate gifting offering through partnerships with organisations.



Suzanne Bradley

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	# Our mission is to advance education, health, wellbeing and social inclusion through the promotion, delivery, development and support of strengths-based Now and Next™ programmes for children, young people, adults and families throughout Ireland and in the future into Europe.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Partnering with parent and young people in delivering peer to peer programmes using the Now and Next™ programmes throughout Ireland in communities and organisations.
CAN OFFER	An opportunity to explore goal setting from a strengths based perspective using the principles of positive psychology using accessible tools that support visioning and future based on your priorities.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	How to introduce ideas that are new to Irish society in how we see our citizens from a partnership approach.



Tammy Darcy

Founder/ CEO The Shona Project

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Inspiring and Empowering young people in Ireland
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Working with young people, impact measurement etc.
CAN OFFER	N/A
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	N/A



Tanya Moore

Coach

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Coaching for impact
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Interest in social impact investment and enhancing wellbeing (currently studying MSc in Positive Health Coaching)
CAN OFFER	Mutual exchange on the above



Thomas Mc Cabe

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Siel Bleu Ireland delivers adapted physical activity for older adults and people living with chronic conditions or disabilities, supporting better health, mobility and wellbeing in communities, care settings and homes.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	We welcome discussion and collaboration on adapted physical activity, healthy ageing, chronic conditions, community health, impact measurement and scaling social enterprise.
CAN OFFER	We offer expertise in adapted physical activity, practical support for healthier ageing & chronic conditions, nationwide delivery experience, & opportunities to build health partnerships.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	We would value introductions to partners and funders, advice on measuring and sharing our impact, and support to bring adapted physical activity to more people across Ireland.



Toby Gazeley

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Euclid Network is the European network for social enterprise support organisations. We connect networks of entrepreneurs and innovators across Europe, working together to drive positive change.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	The European Social Economy Action Plan, Social enterprise policies and strategies, data and statistics, inclusive entrepreneurship.
CAN OFFER	Connection to policy makers and social enterprise stakeholders at all levels of governance across Europe
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Sharing examples of good policy practice, helping to demonstrate that social enterprises are the model of European competitiveness we need to strengthen in the coming years.



Tom Daly

Development Manager

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Social Enterprise - Providing security services to community, public and private sectors. Generating employment for marginalised groups.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Public Procurement for Social Enterprise. Local employment for long term unemployed.
CAN OFFER	Possible collaboration on assisting members of the Traveller Community into employment into the security industry.



Tracey Dollard

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	The Soar Foundation (SOAR) is an Irish youth development charity empowering young people through experiential workshops that build confidence, emotional resilience and connection. Through early intervention and prevention, we help young people feel seen, heard and supported to thrive.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Youth mental health and wellbeing, social innovation, preventative approaches, education, corporate partnerships, sustainable funding and collaboration to increase social impact.
CAN OFFER	Expertise in youth engagement, experiential learning, emotional wellbeing and preventative mental health programmes, alongside opportunities for collaboration and shared learning.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building sustainable funding partnerships, strengthening our social impact, increasing brand awareness and connecting with organisations interested in supporting young people's wellbeing.



Tracey Hannon

Regional Manager

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Clann Credo provides loan finance to social enterprises and the community and voluntary sector. As Ireland's leading social finance provider we structure financial products to support organisations achieve their social and financial goals.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	understanding the developments in the sector, government support available to SEs, opportunities for development. Opportunities for Clann Credo to partner and support the sector



Trevor Gillespie

Project Manager

Delta Sensory Gardens & Café Thyme - Delta Centre CLG

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	Delta Sensory Gardens is the commercial front window of Delta Centre CLG. It is a 100% accessible, 2.5 acre multi-sensory facility. As a social enterprise, its primary goal is to generate independent income streams through tourism, hospitality, and retail to help Delta Services achieve its mission.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Inclusive tourism, accessible visitor experiences, social enterprise development, community engagement, disability inclusion, and partnership opportunities.
CAN OFFER	Sharing experience in accessible tourism, sensory garden development, community partnerships, visitor engagement, and social enterprise promotion.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Ideas and connections to grow accessible tourism, strengthen marketing, attract new audiences, and develop sustainable partnerships.



Tristan Casson-Rennie

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	FASD Ireland is a national not-for-profit social enterprise working to raise awareness, provide education, advocate for change and support people living with Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD), their families and carers through information, training, advocacy and peer support.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	FASD awareness, prevention and education; national policy and advocacy; diagnosis and support pathways; lived-experience leadership; research and cross-sector collaboration.
CAN OFFER	National expertise in FASD, professional neurodiversity training, advocacy, lived-experience perspectives, peer support, service development and insight into the Irish FASD landscape.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Building strategic partnerships, securing sustainable funding, developing national FASD services, influencing policy, expanding research and raising awareness among decision-makers.



Yurii Davydenko

Fundraising Director

AURI

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	AURI is a charitable organisation backing Ukrainian diaspora in Ireland. We are currently developing a platform to empower and scale social entrepreneurship within the Ukrainian community, driving integration, economic resilience, and creating sustainable social impact locally.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Social enterprise incubation, cross-sector partnerships, funding for migrant initiatives, community-led economic resilience, and scaling impact platforms.
CAN OFFER	Access to a vibrant Ukrainian community network, expertise in migrant integration, collaborative project opportunities, and a dedicated platform for social impact.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Mentorship on scaling social business platforms, best practices for social enterprise funding in Ireland, and networking with potential partners or donors.



Zephrynus Ikeh

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION	AIDI is a registered company, headquartered in Dublin, Republic of Ireland. A civic, community, culture, education and development initiative provides professional enterprise development and sustainability services to businesses.
KEEN TO DISCUSS	Culture, education and development initiative provides professional enterprise development and sustainability services to businesses, cultural development, resource management and sustainability.
CAN OFFER	Intercultural relations and dissemination.
LOOKING FOR HELP WITH	Funding and collaborations.