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ifac Supports Guide*

With increased input costs and rising inflation levels being experienced by businesses, it is vital to ensure that you are availing of the relevant supports available to your business.

There are a range of supports available to businesses of all sizes, from start-ups to established businesses. We recommend all businesses examine the list of supports and utilise the relevant ones to help develop their business into the future.

We work with business owners to help them secure the necessary support for their business. We urge businesses to review the supports available to them and connect with us if we can assist your funding application.

Thank you,

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Which supports will work for you?

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LEO	Local Enterprise Office
EI	Enterprise Ireland
ITI	InterTradeIreland
BB	Bord Bia
TG	Teagasc
ACC	Accelerators
IRC	Irish Research Council
RL	Rural LEADER
BIM	Bord Iascaigh Mhara
RDP	Retail Development Programme
EU	European Funding

- S** Start-Up
- G** Growth
- Es** Established
- Ex** Expansion

LOCAL ENTERPRISE OFFICE (LEO)

The Local Enterprise Office offers support to both start-ups and established businesses depending on size.

GradStart is a newly available grant for LEO companies to assist them in securing high calibre graduate talent. Support of up to €30,000 is available over two years towards the graduate's salary.

The **Priming Grant** and **Business Expansion Grant** offers support to businesses that require additional funding as they enter a growth phase. They cover investment in capital items, general overheads and consultancy costs.

ENTERPRISE IRELAND (EI)

For businesses with an export focus or start-ups displaying a high potential for job creation and export, EI have a range of supports designed to assist with growth and export capability.

With digital developments playing an increasing role in the operation of businesses, the **Digital Discovery Grant** provides businesses with the support required to develop a roadmap for their digital transition. The grant funds 80% of the cost up to €6,300 (€5,000 grant).

As businesses look to overcome the increasing number of challenges facing them, investment in research and development (R&D) will play an integral role. The **Exploring Innovation Grant** provides up to 50% or €35,000 for projects focusing on R&D, innovation or international collaboration.

ifac FUNDING FRIDAY

Every Friday, ifac's Food and Agribusiness team publishes details of new supports relevant to food and agribusinesses. We provide details on the key criteria and sectoral eligibility for each support. Scan the QR code to keep up to date on the latest supports available to your business.



TAX

Start-Up Relief For Entrepreneurs (SURE)
Key Employee Engagement Programme (KEEP)
Knowledge Development Box (KDB)
R&D Tax Credits (see page 35)
Company Relief (CGT Exemption)
Specified Intangible Asset Allowance (SIA)
Entrepreneur Relief/Retirement Relief

FUNDING

Microfinance Ireland
Credit Unions
Business Angels e.g. HBAN
Bank Debt
Venture Capital
Overdraft
Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland (SBCI)
Non-Bank Lenders e.g. Linked Finance
EIIS
Private Equity
Retained Profits
Crowdfunding e.g. Spark Crowdfunding

STATE FUNDING SUPPORTS

LEO	Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters	S G Es Ex
LEO	Food Starter Programme	S
LEO	Trading Online Voucher	S G Es Ex
LEO	Feasibility Study Grant	S G Es Ex
LEO	Priming Grant	S G Es Ex
LEO	Business Expansion Grant	G Es
LEO	GradStart	S G
EI	Digitalisation Voucher	S G Es Ex
EI	GreenPlus	S G Es Ex
EI	Climate Action Voucher	S G Es Ex
EI	Evolve Strategic Planning	G Es Ex
EI	Business Process Improvement Grant	G Es Ex
EI	New Frontiers Programme	S
EI	Competitive Start-Up Fund (CSF)	S G
EI	Innovation Vouchers e.g. TSSG	S G Es Ex
EI	Strategic Marketing Review Grant	S G Es Ex
EI	HPSU Feasibility Grant	S G Es
EI	Tailored Company Expansion Packages	S G Es Ex
EI	Grad Start	G Es Ex
EI	Horizon Europe	G Es
EI	High Potential Start-Up (HPSU)	G Es Ex
EI	Online Customs Insights Course	G Es Ex
EI	The Operational Excellence Offer	G Es Ex
EI	Brexit: Act On Initiative	G Es Ex
EI	Excel at Export Selling	G Es Ex
EI	Market Discovery Fund	G Es Ex

EI	Building Information Modelling (BIM)	G Es Ex
EI	Agile Innovation Fund	G Es Ex
EI	Capital Investment Incentive (CII)	G Es Ex
EI	Innovation 4 Growth Programme	G Es Ex
EI	Green Start	G Es Ex
EI	Key Manager Grant	G Es Ex
EI	Job Expansion Fund	G Es Ex
EI	Lean Start	G Es Ex
EI	The Research and Development (R&D) Fund	G Es Ex
EI	Exploring Innovation Grant	G Es Ex
EI	Leadership 4 Growth Programme	Es Ex
EI	Innovation Partnership Programme	Es Ex
EI	Intellectual Property Strategy Offer	Es Ex
EI	Lean Plus	Es Ex
EI	Lean Transform	Es Ex
EI	BB TG Food Works	S G
EI	Business Process Improvement Grant	G Es Ex
ITI	Trade Accelerator Voucher	S G Es Ex
ITI	Elevate Programme	G Es Ex
ITI	Fusion Programme	G Es Ex
ITI	Acumen Programme	G Es Ex
BB	Origin Green	S G Es Ex
BB	FoodService Academy	G Es Ex
BB	Marketing Assistance Programme	G Es Ex
TG	Options Programme	S
ACC	Accelerators e.g. NDRC, AgTechUCD	S G
IRC	Enterprise Partnership Scheme	S G Es Ex
IRC	Employment-Based Postgraduate Programme	S G Es Ex
RL	LEADER Funding	S G Es Ex
BIM	Knowledge Gateway Scheme	S G Es Ex
BIM	Sustainable Aquaculture Scheme	S G Es Ex
RDP BB	Grow with Aldi	S G
RDP BB	Kickstart - Lidl	S G
RDP BB	Food Academy - SuperValu	S G

EUROPEAN FUNDING

EU	Horizon Europe	G Es
EU	InvestEU	G Es
EU	European Space Programme	G Es

*Indicative map of some of the most frequently used supports by Irish food and agribusinesses.