

Circular Economy Innovation Grants Scheme 2025/2026

S/N	Organisation	Amount	Project Description	Location
1	Positive Carbon	€46,000	This project will scale a proven AI food waste platform across the Irish food service sector, providing businesses with the data to cut waste, reduce costs, and advance the circular economy. This Platform gives companies metrics on food waste, enabling businesses to avoid waste and save money on food purchasing costs. The aim of the platform is to provide immediate, measurable financial and environmental returns to the companies involved.	Dublin
2	Inishturk Community Club CLG	€48,000	The objective of this Project is to empower Inishturk to cut waste and carbon, generate renewable fuel, enhance food security, and drive a culture of repair, reuse, and repurpose—reducing imports, building resilience, and modelling circular sustainability for island communities. It will divert organic waste into compost and biogas by installing a composter and biogas generator. The resulting compost will feed community gardens. The project will also provide workshops on food waste, repair, reuse. The overall aim is to reduce off-island transport, reduce emissions, reduce dependence of imported fuel and food, and provide community support - particularly important during winter storms.	Mayo
3	Lurgan Foods	€45,000	The Circular Grain Ireland project scales up food production from spent brewery barley, Ireland's largest source of food waste, by expanding BiaSol's Tullamore plant to rescue more grain and demonstrate a circular, scalable business model. Spent grain from local craft breweries will be used to make healthy food products such as granola and snack bars.	Offaly
4	Mace Ireland	€46,000	This project is a national platform that will help Irish companies make sustainable choices in promotional merchandise by providing education, responsible end-of-life solutions, reuse pathways, and circular product innovation to eliminate hidden waste. The objective is to provide a circular solution to a waste stream caused by promotional merchandise, which tends to be single use, plastic, and difficult to dispose of responsibly. The project will create a Platform to manage the waste stream, including education; redesign for repairability and reuse and advice on end-of-life. The proposal will manage distribution and establish take back schemes and is a scaling up of a service already offered with an emphasis on reuse.	Dublin (National reach)

5	Oxfam Ireland	€48,000	This project is a scaling up of Oxfam's Postback programme. It works by households ordering a prepaid bag online or by phone, filling it with clothing, and returning it to Oxfam at no cost via An Post. It captures textiles at source, diverts from landfill, and contributes to Oxfam. The project also promotes behavioural change by encouraging participants to purchase second-hand and supports separate textile collection.	Dublin (National reach)
6	BladeBridge	€47,000	This project will fund a pilot to repurpose a decommissioned wind turbine blade into an electrical tower. This is a potential end of life solution for wind turbines which are potentially a significant future waste stream.	Cork
7	Irish Green Building Council	€48,000	Project will design a Circular Construction Take-Back Scheme to develop a pathway for implementing product take-back schemes in the construction sector, using floor tile manufacturers as a case study.	Dublin (National reach)
8	Verifact International Ltd.	€45,000	Verifact 360 is an online reuse platform that connects bodies at the end of the supply chain with others at the beginning, in order to repurpose or reuse items. The project will initially focus on pallets and strapping. This project has potential to reduce a significant waste stream and promote reuse.	Cork
9	Addible Ltd.	€45,000	Addible will pilot OxyCycle, a sustainable green-chemistry process that converts end-of-life tyres into high-purity rubber polymers, carbon black, textiles and metals, demonstrating a best-practice circular solution for waste prevention in Ireland.	Kildare
10	Abcon Industrial Products	€45,000	This project aims to take 150 Ton Coated Abrasives annually currently going to Incineration and reprocess them into the circular economy via a thermal mix compound.	Cavan
11	Technological University of the Shannon	€48,000	This proposal is to scale up a university lab project involving multiple use of lab plastics moving from a single use model. The Project will expand to address non-hazardous plastic waste generated by the medical device industry.	Limerick
12	Quality Technology Management Solutions	€46,000	This project seeks to create a take back and remanufacturing scheme for low voltage batteries. It will introduce a scheme for collecting, testing, repairing and reassembling batteries. It is designed to demonstrate a workable model for the repair, remanufacture, and reuse of low-voltage lithium-ion and rechargeable batteries that are currently being recycled or discarded in landfill.	Limerick
13	Amicitia Health & Social Care	€45,000	This Project will develop an innovative experiential learning model for food waste prevention in Athenry through an audio walking tour, preservation workshops, and hotel demonstration project, and creating a scalable circular food system for Irish market towns.	Galway

14	Accelerating Change Together (ACT)	€48,000	Proposal is to develop and pilot a "Re-Verify" framework for the performance-based reuse of construction materials in Ireland, tackling the nation's largest waste stream by creating a verified compliance route for salvaged items.	Mayo
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