



TAKE URGENT ACTION TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE AND ITS IMPACTS

Goal 13 focuses on taking urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts. An Post have taken action by electrifying their fleet, among many things.

PROMOTE INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH, EMPLOYMENT, AND DECENT WORK FOR ALL

Goal 8 promotes sustained, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all. An Post strives to provide a safe, healthy, and inclusive working environment for their employees that encourages personal and professional growth.



MAKE CITIES INCLUSIVE, SAFE, RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE

Goal 11 aims to make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable. An Post succeeds in making a positive difference in the communities they serve.

BUILD RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE, PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIALISATION, AND FOSTER INNOVATION

Goal 9 builds resilient infrastructure, promotes inclusive and sustainable industrialisation, and fosters innovation. An Post plays a central role in Irish life and society, and is uniquely positioned to partner with other businesses, government, and communities to help drive innovation to deliver sustainable, long-term growth and prosperity to Ireland.



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What are the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals?

In September 2015, 193 countries met in New York and signed the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This Agenda has become the guide to the world's social, economic, and environmental actions to achieve a sustainable future by 2030.

The framework consists of 17 Sustainable Development Goal (SDGs). Each of these goals has a number of targets associated with it (169 in total). Indicators identify the data that will be used to measure progress towards these targets and to determine if it has been achieved successfully by 2030.

The global progress is monitored by the UN. Individual countries must provide voluntary national reviews including stakeholder involvement. In Ireland, the overall responsibility for implementing the UN SDGs lies with the Department of Communications, Climate Action, and Environment (DCCA).

Inclusion is at the core of the UN SDGs, and as a result, governments, the corporate sector, and citizens are called upon to make the SDG agenda a reality.

 www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment

SDG Champions Programme

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Champions Programme is an initiative established by the SDG Unit in the Department of Communication, Climate Action, and Environment. The Minister and the Department believe that the SDG Champions Programme has the potential to achieve nationwide prominence and raise public awareness of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The purpose of the SDG Champions Programme is primarily to raise public awareness of the SDGs, and secondarily to illustrate practical ways in which organisations and individuals can contribute to achieving the SDGs, using Champion organisations' practices as examples.

Each Champion organisation is focusing primarily on a select number of SDGs each. As individual Champions will promote specific SDGs, each of the twelve campaigns will be distinct in terms of the goals they are championing.

However, all twelve campaigns will be built around the core message that the Sustainable Development Goals are for everyone in society and that everyone can make a contribution, large or small, to their success.



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Through our contribution to the Foundation for the Global Compact, An Post has supported the creation of the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals to transform our World. An Post is working with the Postal industry, Government, staff, and suppliers to take big steps within the SDGs most relevant to our business.

Actions being taken by An Post include:

Fleet: An Post already has the largest electric vehicle fleet in the country, providing zero-emission mail and parcel deliveries in the city centre area between Dublin's canals. Electric vehicles are now appearing on the streets of Cork, Galway, Limerick, Waterford, and Kilkenny, where we'll complete zero-emission deliveries next year, while extending them to larger towns countrywide. The EV fleet will exceed 750 by 2022. An Post purchases only green electricity for use in our business and this electricity has been certified as having zero

carbon emissions. Through our purchase of green electricity, our Electrical Vehicle fleet will not contribute any CO₂ to the environment.

Properties: An Post has replaced all HCFC Gassed refrigeration units and all external lighting with LED Lighting. Through our purchase of green electricity, our buildings' use of electricity will not contribute any CO₂ to the environment.

Waste Management: An Post has achieved its target of Zero Waste to Landfill a year ahead of schedule.

Infrastructure and Network: An Post is investing in its Retail and Mails & Parcels networks, rightsizing, digitalising, and upgrading to ensure a truly sustainable future with the right infrastructure in the right place and great, modern services for customers, communities, staff, and postmasters.