

# Strategic Environmental Assessment Action Plan 2021 – 2025

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is responsible for protecting and improving the environment as a valuable asset for the people of Ireland. We are committed to protecting people and the environment from the harmful effects of radiation and pollution.

### The work of the EPA can be divided into three main areas:

**Regulation:** We implement effective regulation and environmental compliance systems to deliver good environmental outcomes and target those who don't comply.

**Knowledge:** We provide high quality, targeted and timely environmental data, information and assessment to inform decision making at all levels.

**Advocacy:** We work with others to advocate for a clean, productive and well protected environment and for sustainable environmental behaviour.

## Our Responsibilities

### Licensing

We regulate the following activities so that they do not endanger human health or harm the environment:

- waste facilities (e.g. landfills, incinerators, waste transfer stations);
- large scale industrial activities (e.g. pharmaceutical, cement manufacturing, power plants);
- intensive agriculture (e.g. pigs, poultry);
- the contained use and controlled release of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs);
- sources of ionising radiation (e.g. x-ray and radiotherapy equipment, industrial sources);
- large petrol storage facilities;
- waste water discharges;
- dumping at sea activities.

### National Environmental Enforcement

- Conducting an annual programme of audits and inspections of EPA licensed facilities.
- Overseeing local authorities' environmental protection responsibilities.
- Supervising the supply of drinking water by public water suppliers.
- Working with local authorities and other agencies to tackle environmental crime by coordinating a national enforcement network, targeting offenders and overseeing remediation.
- Enforcing Regulations such as Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE), Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) and substances that deplete the ozone layer.
- Prosecuting those who flout environmental law and damage the environment.

### Water Management

- Monitoring and reporting on the quality of rivers, lakes, transitional and coastal waters of Ireland and groundwaters; measuring water levels and river flows.
- National coordination and oversight of the Water Framework Directive.
- Monitoring and reporting on Bathing Water Quality.

### Monitoring, Analysing and Reporting on the Environment

- Monitoring air quality and implementing the EU Clean Air for Europe (CAFE) Directive.
- Independent reporting to inform decision making by national and local government (e.g. periodic reporting on the State of Ireland's Environment and Indicator Reports).

### Regulating Ireland's Greenhouse Gas Emissions

- Preparing Ireland's greenhouse gas inventories and projections.
- Implementing the Emissions Trading Directive, for over 100 of the largest producers of carbon dioxide in Ireland.

### Environmental Research and Development

- Funding environmental research to identify pressures, inform policy and provide solutions in the areas of climate, water and sustainability.

### Strategic Environmental Assessment

- Assessing the impact of proposed plans and programmes on the Irish environment (e.g. major development plans).

### Radiological Protection

- Monitoring radiation levels, assessing exposure of people in Ireland to ionising radiation.
- Assisting in developing national plans for emergencies arising from nuclear accidents.
- Monitoring developments abroad relating to nuclear installations and radiological safety.
- Providing, or overseeing the provision of, specialist radiation protection services.

### Guidance, Accessible Information and Education

- Providing advice and guidance to industry and the public on environmental and radiological protection topics.
- Providing timely and easily accessible environmental information to encourage public participation in environmental decision-making (e.g. My Local Environment, Radon Maps).
- Advising Government on matters relating to radiological safety and emergency response.
- Developing a National Hazardous Waste Management Plan to prevent and manage hazardous waste.

### Awareness Raising and Behavioural Change

- Generating greater environmental awareness and influencing positive behavioural change by supporting businesses, communities and householders to become more resource efficient.
- Promoting radon testing in homes and workplaces and encouraging remediation where necessary.

### Management and Structure of the EPA

The EPA is managed by a full time Board, consisting of a Director General and five Directors. The work is carried out across five Offices:

- Office of Environmental Sustainability
- Office of Environmental Enforcement
- Office of Evidence and Assessment
- Office of Radiation Protection and Environmental Monitoring
- Office of Communications and Corporate Services

The EPA is assisted by an Advisory Committee of twelve members who meet regularly to discuss issues of concern and provide advice to the Board.

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## Introduction

This document provides a review of the progress made on the various actions set out in the latest SEA Action Plan for the period 2021–2025.

The Action Plan assigns responsibilities for implementing individual actions to environmental authorities and sets target dates for the delivery of the actions. The reference numbers assigned to individual actions in the Action Plan relate to the original reference numbers associated with the recommendations in the First [Review of Effectiveness of SEA in Ireland](#)<sup>1</sup> report (EPA, 2012).

The EPA published a [Second Review of SEA Effectiveness in Ireland](#)<sup>2</sup> in January 2020. This EPA-funded research project (2017-NC-MS-8) was led by University College Dublin, in collaboration with RPS Consultants and Levett-Therivel Consultants. The project goal was to assess the progress made in implementing the SEA Directive in Ireland, to identify areas where further improvements are required and to provide guidance and make recommendations on the actions needed to address any identified issues.

The SEA effectiveness reviews and the previous Action Plan progress reports are available on the EPA website: [www.epa.ie](http://www.epa.ie).

This document has been prepared jointly by the SEA environmental authorities in Ireland:

- ▲ Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage,
- ▲ Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine,
- ▲ Department of Environment, Climate and Communications, and
- ▲ Environmental Protection Agency.

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1 <https://www.epa.ie/publications/monitoring--assessment/assessment/strategic-environmental-assessment/review-of-effectiveness-of-sea-in-ireland---main-report.php>

2 <https://www.epa.ie/publications/monitoring--assessment/assessment/strategic-environmental-assessment/second-review-of-sea-effectiveness-in-ireland.php>

GOVERNANCE AND LEGISLATION	Responsible Authority(ies)	Target Date	Progress Update – December 2023	Action Status
Continue efforts to improve the effectiveness of the National SEA Forum. EPA to continue to act as Secretariat for the Forum.	All	Ongoing	The National SEA Forum continues to meet two to three times a year, since it was established in 2012. The EPA hosts the webpage for the national SEA forum via the EDEN portal and acts as secretariat to the Forum. The Forum operates on a rotating chair basis between the environmental authorities.	Ongoing
Clarify the role, key contacts and aspects of responsibility of each SEA environmental authority.	DHLGH	2021	The DHLGH published the <a href="#">Strategic Environmental Assessment: Guidelines for Regional Assemblies and Planning Authorities</a> in March 2022. These updated previous guidelines for local authorities and clarified the role, key contacts and aspects of responsibility of each SEA environmental authority.	Complete
Reflect the need for adequate resources, including specific Environmental Assessment post(s), in relevant future workforce planning. Promote the benefits of establishing dedicated environmental assessment resources within regional and local authorities and other plan-making bodies.	All	Ongoing	The SEA environmental authorities continue to reflect on the need for adequate resources, in particular the need for resources with particular environmental specialisms.	Ongoing

DATA COLLECTION, PROVISION AND awareness	Responsible Authority(ies)	Target Date	Progress Update – December 2023	Action Status
All Environmental Authorities are committed to reviewing their websites as part of efforts to increase awareness of national, EU and International SEA-related guidance.	All	2025	The SEA Action Plan 2021–2025 is available to view on the <a href="#">EPA website</a> and the <a href="#">gov.ie website</a> . This progress update will also be published on both websites.	Complete
Continue to explore the establishment a national integrated SEA portal that would serve as a resource for SEA practitioners.	All	2024	<p>Significant progress has been made in the development of key standalone resources, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▲ <a href="#">EPA SEA WebGIS</a> Search and Reporting tool, available via EPA Maps.</li> <li>▲ <a href="#">EPA Inventory of Spatial Information Sources</a> relevant to SEA.</li> <li>▲ <a href="#">Environmental Sensitivity Mapping (ESM) webtool (co-funded by the EPA and Office of the Planning Regulator)</a>.</li> <li>▲ The Office of the Planning Regulator has developed an <a href="#">interactive map</a> displaying details of live public consultations on statutory land use plans.</li> <li>▲ <a href="#">MarinePlan.ie</a> is Ireland’s first marine spatial planning portal. It links planning within the maritime area and the relevant policies for each marine sector or activity listed in the National Marine Planning Framework.</li> </ul> <p>In addition to the resources listed above, DECC and Geological Survey of Ireland are developing a revised portal for environmental information for geological datasets to assist with SEA work.</p> <p>Further consideration needs to be given to the benefits and the need for a national integrated SEA portal.</p>	Ongoing
Promote the dissemination of spatial data from existing monitoring mechanisms, e.g. <a href="#">www.catchments.ie</a> , <a href="#">www.enviromap.ie</a> .	All	Ongoing	<p>The project team responsible for the EPA-funded ESM webtool have run a number of capacity-building workshops to promote the use of the tool among spatial planners, SEA practitioners and government bodies.</p> <p>EPA submissions refer to our SEA Guidance resources, which include links to data sources and tools available for authorities undertaking SEA.</p>	Ongoing

Monitoring and implementation	Responsible Authority(ies)	Target Date	Progress Update – December 2023	Action status
<p>Promote the inclusion of monitoring plans and implementation plans through SEA advocacy roles. Each environmental authority will promote consideration of the EPA monitoring guidance in consultations on plans/programmes.</p>	<p>All</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>The EPA continues to advocate for monitoring of plans and related reporting.</p> <p>The EPA revised the <a href="#">Guidance on SEA Statements and Monitoring Guidance</a> in March 2023. The guidance was updated to clarify some SEA monitoring requirements and to acknowledge the publication of the revised <a href="#">Strategic Environmental Assessment: Guidelines for Regional Assemblies and Planning Authorities</a> (March 2022) and the revised <a href="#">Development Plans: Guidelines for Planning Authorities</a> (July 2022), both published by the DHLGH in 2022.</p>	<p><b>Ongoing</b></p>



GUIDANCE	Responsible Authority(ies)	Target Date	Progress Update – December 2023	Action status
<p>Revise implementation of SEA Directive (2001/42/EC): Assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment, Guidelines for regional authorities and planning authorities (DEHLG, 2004), clarifying/reiterating that SEA mitigation should be integrated into a final plan.</p>	<p>DHLGH</p>	<p>2021</p>	<p>DHLGH published the <a href="#">Strategic Environmental Assessment: Guidelines for Regional Assemblies and Planning Authorities</a> in March 2022. The Guidelines provide advice on undertaking SEA in the land-use planning sector for those plans listed in <a href="#">S.I. No. 436 of 2004</a>, as amended. The plans listed in the aforementioned legislation comprise regional, county and local plans, including Regional Spatial and Economic Strategies, County or City Development Plans, variations of Development Plans, Local Area Plans, and Planning Schemes for Strategic Development Zones.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p>
<p>Preparation of a series of concise SEA Good Practice Guidance Notes. Specific topics to be considered include:</p>				
<p>Screening, including role of statutory environmental authorities.</p>	<p>EPA</p>	<p>2021</p>	<p>The EPA published <a href="#">Good Practice Guidance on SEA Screening</a> in 2021. The guidance note is focused primarily on plans/programmes in the non-land use sector in Ireland. It includes an elaboration of the steps needed for screening, the legislative landscape underpinning SEA screening and step-by-step process and templates to assist in preparing the required documentation.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p>
<p>SEA and Water.</p>	<p>EPA</p>	<p>2021–2023</p>	<p>The EPA published <a href="#">Good Practice Guidance Note on Strategic Environmental Assessment in the Water Sector</a> in 2022. The document provides good practice guidance and ideas on how to carry out strategic environmental assessment of water sector plans in Ireland.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p>
<p>SEA and Energy.</p>	<p>EPA</p>	<p>2021</p>	<p>The EPA published <a href="#">Good Practice Note on Strategic Environmental Assessment for the Energy Sector</a> in 2021. The document provides good practice guidance on how to carry out SEA of energy strategies/plans. It is intended to promote a good practice approach to the application of SEA in the energy sector.</p>	<p><b>Complete</b></p>

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SEA and Tourism.	EPA	2022–2023	The EPA published <a href="#">Good Practice Note on Strategic Environmental Assessment for the Tourism Sector</a> in June 2023. The document provides good practice guidance and suggestions on how to carry out SEA of tourism plans in Ireland. Fáilte Ireland provided input into the development of this document. The focus of the guidance is SEA and tourism, rather than trying to simplify the entire tourism planning process.	Complete
SEA and Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna.	DHLGH (NPWS)	2025	Preliminary work has commenced.	Not progressed
SEA and Agriculture.	DAFM	2025	Preliminary work has commenced.	Not progressed
Guidance on transboundary consultation for sectoral plans.	DHLGH	2025	The completion of this guidance is dependent on completion of amendments to the SEA legislation.	Not progressed
Revise, update and publish the EPA SEA Pack and EPA SEA Process Checklist to include information on legal standards that SEAs may need to consider.	EPA	2022	EPA SEA Pack and Checklists have been updated. Checklists are updated to refer to Government Departments’ remits and also link to updated <a href="#">Strategic Environmental Assessment: Guidelines for Regional Assemblies and Planning Authorities</a> (DHLGH, 2022).	Complete
Publish a guidance note on SEA and Plan integration to promote good communication between the plan-making and SEA teams and their respective processes.	EPA	2023–2025	The EPA engaged consultants to prepare this guidance note in May 2023. It is expected that the guidance will be published Q1 2024.	Ongoing
Prepare and publish guidance on effective and meaningful consultation with the public and statutory consultees.	EPA	2023–2025	<p>The SEAWAY Project (Public Participation and Performance Criteria in Strategic Environmental Assessment: The Way Forward to Advancing Practice) commenced in April 2022 under the EPA Research Programme. The project is being co-funded by the Office of the Planning Regulator. It will entail a review of the extent and effectiveness of public participation in SEA, in a national and international context, and seek to enhance participation in SEA in Ireland.</p> <p>It is due to be completed by Q3 2024.</p>	Ongoing

Training and Capacity Building	Responsible Authority(ies)	Target Date	Progress Update – December 2023	Action status
Present the findings of the effectiveness review at appropriate environmental conferences and training events.	EPA (Effectiveness Review Project Team)	2021	The findings of the effectiveness review were delivered through various lectures provided to third-level institutes by the EPA.	Complete
Develop an e-learning syllabus on SEA to provide training and capacity building for SEA practitioners, consultants and plan makers. The e-learning module will incorporate the SEA process, Screening, Scoping, Alternatives, SEA Statements and Environmental Reports and Monitoring and Implementation. It will address relevant linkages to Environmental Impact Assessment, Appropriate Assessment, Water Framework Directive and Flood Risk Assessment.	All EPA	2021–2025	The syllabus for a new Strategic Environmental Assessment course has been drafted. The course is in the final stages of development. It is intended to be delivered through a combination of virtual and in-person events. The course consists of 12 modules to be delivered over a four-week period in May/June 2024.	Ongoing
Convene the Regional SEA Fora in conjunction with Regional Assemblies.	Regional Assemblies	2021	The Regional SEA Fora hosted an online conference on 25 November 2021 for the local authority planners. The theme of the conference was Implementing an Ecosystem Service Approach in local authority development plans. The Regional SEA Fora intend hosting further online conferences.	Complete

Research and Development	Responsible Authority(ies)	Target Date	Progress Update – December 2023	Action status
Promote research into quantification or monetisation of the benefits of SEA based on examples from the Irish context.	All	2021–2025	The EPA Research Call 2023 included the topic Quantification of the benefits of Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) using examples from Ireland, inviting applications to undertake the research project.	Complete
Commission a review of a cross-section of SEA Statements to determine how integration of the SEA and plans/programme process is documented.	EPA	2022	Consultants on behalf of the EPA completed a review of a cross-section of national SEA Statements, with a view to informing future guidance.	Complete
Development of national SEA key performance indicators (KPIs) to evaluate SEA effectiveness as a research project.	EPA	2021–2025	The SEAWAY Project (Public Participation and Performance Criteria in SEA: The Way Forward to Advancing Practice) commenced in April 2022. In addition to the information outlined above, the research will include a review of preliminary KPIs and develop a robust performance framework and associated KPIs for effective SEA. It is co-funded by the Office of the Planning Regulator and is due to be completed by Q3 2024.	Ongoing
Good practice guidance for addressing health in SEA.	EPA	2023–2025	The EPA ProHealth Research Project has commenced and will review population and human health effects assessment criteria in SEA with a view to developing a 'Practitioner's Toolkit for Health in SEA'. The project commenced in May 2023 and will run for 24 months.	Ongoing
Good practice guidance for addressing landscape in SEA.	EPA All	2023–2025	The EPA published a good practice guidance on SEA and landscape. The guidance will assist planners and practitioners in addressing landscape considerations in SEA.	Complete
Tiering of environmental assessment – the influence of SEA on project-level EIA.	EPA	2021	The EPA-funded <a href="#">Tiering of Environmental Assessment – The influence of Strategic Environmental Assessment on project-level Environmental Impact Assessment</a> was published in 2021. The research identified a range of good practice approaches to impact assessment tiering, which can be summarised as better communication between SEA and EIA practitioners. A guidance document ( <a href="#">Guidance on Strategic Environmental Assessment – Environmental Impact Assessment Tiering</a> ) was published alongside the research. The guidance, for SEA and EIA practitioners, aims to improve links between SEA and EIA in practice.	Complete

## Abbreviations

<b>AA</b>	Appropriate Assessment
<b>DAFM</b>	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
<b>DECC</b>	Department of Environment, Climate and Communications
<b>DHLGH</b>	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
<b>EIA</b>	Environmental Impact Assessment
<b>EPA</b>	Environmental Protection Agency
<b>KPI</b>	Key performance indicator
<b>NPWS</b>	National Parks and Wildlife Service
<b>SEA</b>	Strategic Environmental Assessment



## AN GHNÍOMHAIREACTH UM CHAOMHNÚ COMHSHAOIL

Tá an Gníomhaireacht um Chaomhnú Comhshaoil (GCC) freagrach as an gcomhshaoil a chaomhnú agus a fheabhsú mar shócmhainn luachmhar do mhuintir na hÉireann. Táimid tiomanta do dhaoine agus don chomhshaoil a chosaint ó éifeachtaí díobhálacha na radaíochta agus an truailithe.

### Is féidir obair na Gníomhaireachta a roinnt ina trí phríomhréimse:

**Rialú:** Déanaimid córais éifeachtacha rialaithe agus comhlíonta comhshaoil a chur i bhfeidhm chun torthaí maithe comhshaoil a sholáthar agus chun díriú orthu siúd nach gcloíonn leis na córais sin.

**Eolas:** Soláthraimid sonraí, faisnéis agus measúnú comhshaoil atá ar ardchaighdeán, spríodhírthe agus tráthúil chun bonn eolais a chur faoin gcinnnteoireacht ar gach leibhéal.

**Tacaíocht:** Bímid ag saothrú i gcomhar le grúpaí eile chun tacú le comhshaoil atá glan, táirgiúil agus cosanta go maith, agus le hiompar a chuirfidh le comhshaoil inbhuanaithe.

### Ár bhFreagrachtaí

#### Ceadúnú

- Déanaimid na gníomhaíochtaí seo a leanas a rialú ionas nach ndéanann siad dochar do shláinte an phobail ná don chomhshaoil:
- saoráidí dramhaíola (m.sh. láithreáin líonta talún, loisceoirí, stáisiúin aistrithe dramhaíola);
- gníomhaíochtaí tionsclaíoch ar scála mór (m.sh. déantúsaíocht cógaisíochta, déantúsaíocht stroighne, stáisiúin chumhachta);
- an diantalmhaíocht (m.sh. muca, éanlaith);
- úsáid shrianta agus scaoileadh rialaithe Orgánach Géinmhodhnaithe (OGM);
- foinsí radaíochta ianúcháin (m.sh. trealamh x-gha agus radaiteiripe, foinsí tionsclaíoch);
- áiseanna móra stórála peitril;
- scardadh dramhuisce;
- gníomhaíochtaí dumpála ar farraige.

#### Forfheidhmiú Náisiúnta i leith Cúrsaí Comhshaoil

- Clár náisiúnta iniúchtaí agus cigireachtaí a dhéanamh gach bliain ar shaoráidí a bhfuil ceadúnas ón nGníomhaireacht acu.
- Maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar fhreagrachtaí cosanta comhshaoil na n-údarás áitiúil.

- Caighdeán an uisce óil, arna sholáthar ag soláthraithe uisce phoiblí, a mhaoirsiú.
- Obair le húdaráis áitiúla agus le gníomhaireachtaí eile chun dul i ngleic le coireanna comhshaoil trí chomhordú a dhéanamh ar líonra forfheidhmiúcháin náisiúnta, trí dhíríú ar chiontóirí, agus trí mhaoirsiú a dhéanamh ar leasúchán.
- Cur i bhfeidhm rialachán ar nós na Rialachán um Dhramhthrealamh Leictreach agus Leictreonach (DTLL), um Shrian ar Shubstaintí Guaiseacha agus na Rialachán um rialú ar shubstaintí a fíonn an ciseal ózón.
- An dlí a chur orthu siúd a bhriseann dlí an chomhshaoil agus a dhéanann dochar don chomhshaoil.

#### Bainistíocht Uisce

- Monatóireacht agus tuairiscíú a dhéanamh ar cháilíocht aibhneacha, lochanna, uisce idirchriosacha agus cósta na hÉireann, agus screamhuiscí; leibhéil uisce agus sruthanna aibhneacha a thomhas.
- Comhordú náisiúnta agus maoirsiú a dhéanamh ar an gCreat-Treoir Uisce.
- Monatóireacht agus tuairiscíú a dhéanamh ar Cháilíocht an Uisce Snámha.

#### Monatóireacht, Anailís agus Tuairiscíú ar an gComhshaoil

- Monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar cháilíocht an aeir agus Treoir an AE maidir le hAer Glan don Eoraip (CAFÉ) a chur chun feidhme.
- Tuairiscíú neamhspleách le cabhrú le cinnteoireacht an rialtais náisiúnta agus na n-údarás áitiúil (m.sh. tuairiscíú tréimhsiúil ar staid Chomhshaoil na hÉireann agus Tuarascálacha ar Tháscairí).

#### Rialú Astaíochtaí na nGás Ceaptha Teasa in Éirinn

- Fardail agus réamh-mheastacháin na hÉireann maidir le gáis cheaptha teasa a ullmhú.
- An Treoir maidir le Trádáil Astaíochtaí a chur chun feidhme i gcomhair breis agus 100 de na táirgeoirí dé-ocsaíde carbóin is mó in Éirinn

#### Taighde agus Forbairt Comhshaoil

- Taighde comhshaoil a chistiú chun brúnna a shainaithint, bonn eolais a chur faoi bheartais, agus réitigh a sholáthar i réimsí na haeráide, an uisce agus na hinbhuanaitheachta.

#### Measúnacht Straitéiseach Timpeallachta

- Measúnacht a dhéanamh ar thionchar pleananna agus clár beartaithe ar an gcomhshaoil in Éirinn (m.sh. mórfhleananna forbartha).

#### Cosaint Raideolaíoch

- Monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar leibhéil radaíochta, measúnacht a dhéanamh ar nochtadh mhuintir na hÉireann don radaíocht ianúcháin.
- Cabhrú le pleananna náisiúnta a fhorbairt le haghaidh éigeandálaí ag eascairt as taismí núicléacha.
- Monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar fhorbairtí thar lear a bhaineann le saoráidí núicléacha agus leis an tsábháilteacht raideolaíochta.
- Sainseirbhísí cosanta ar an radaíocht a sholáthar, nó maoirsiú a dhéanamh ar sholáthar na seirbhísí sin.

#### Treoir, Faisnéis Inrochtana agus Oideachas

- Comhairle agus treoir a chur ar fáil d'earnáil na tionsclaíochta agus don phobal maidir le hábhair a bhaineann le caomhnú an chomhshaoil agus leis an gcosaint raideolaíoch.
- Faisnéis thráthúil ar an gcomhshaoil ar a bhfuil fáil éasca a chur ar fáil chun rannpháirtíocht an phobail a spreagadh sa chinnteoireacht i ndáil leis an gcomhshaoil (m.sh. Timpeall an Tí, léarscáileanna radóin).
- Comhairle a chur ar fáil don Rialtas maidir le hábhair a bhaineann leis an tsábháilteacht raideolaíoch agus le cúrsaí práinnfhreagartha.
- Plean Náisiúnta Bainistíochta Dramhaíola Guaisí a fhorbairt chun dramhaíl ghuaiseach a chosc agus a bhainistiú.

#### Múscailt Feasachta agus Athrú Iompraíochta

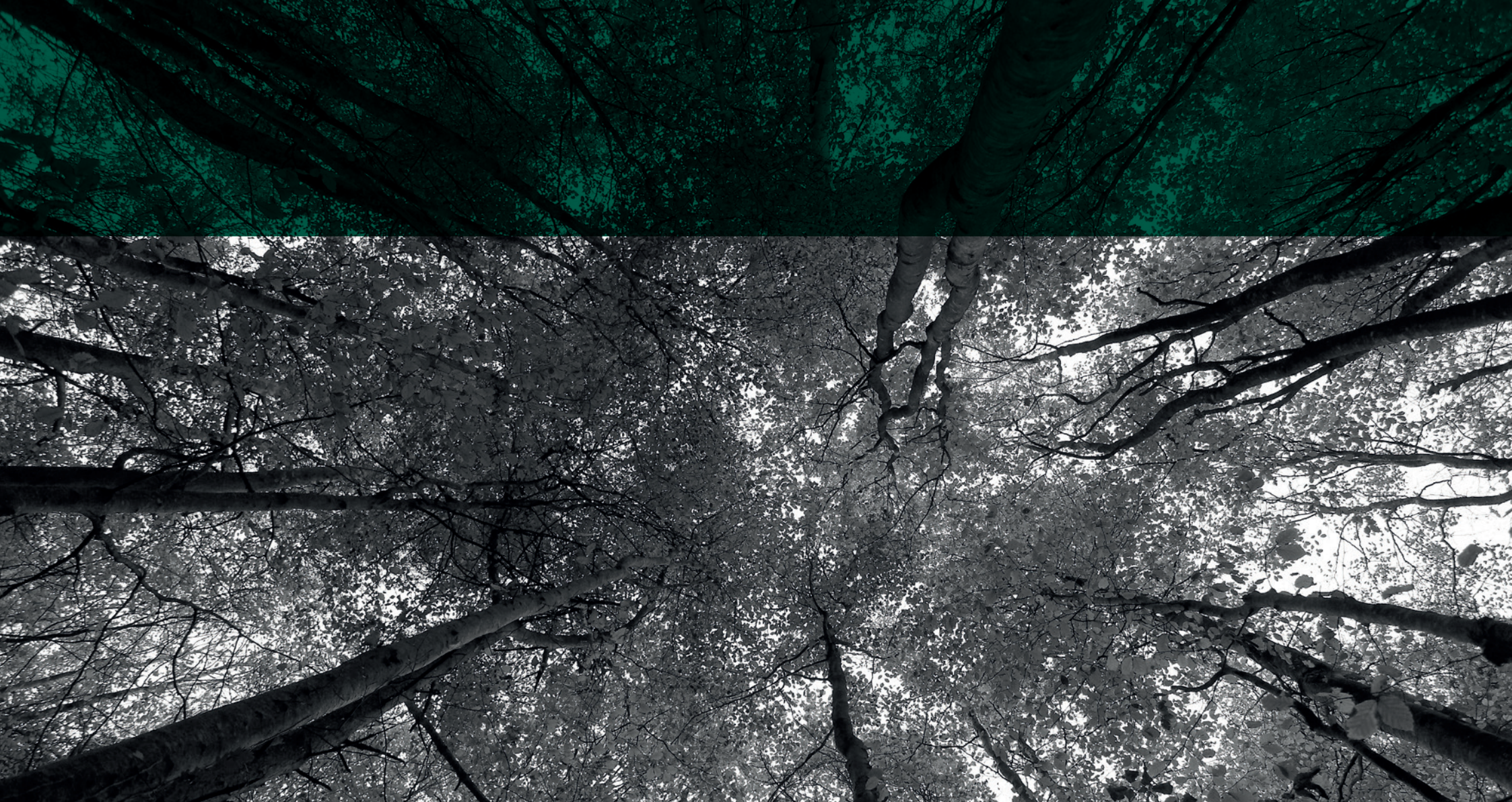
- Feasacht comhshaoil níos fearr a ghiniúint agus dul i bhfeidhm ar athrú iompraíochta dearfach trí thacú le gnóthais, le pobail agus le teaghlai gh eithe níos éifeachtúla ar acmhainní.
- Tástáil le haghaidh radóin a chur chun cinn i dtithe agus in ionaid oibre, agus gníomhartha leasúcháin a spreagadh nuair is gá.

#### Bainistíocht agus struchtúr na Gníomhaireachta um Chaomhnú Comhshaoil

Tá an ghníomhaíocht á bainistiú ag Bord lánaimseartha, ar a bhfuil Ard-Stiúrthóir agus cúigear Stiúrthóirí. Déantar an obair ar fud cúig cinn d'Oifigí:

- An Oifig um Inmharthanacht Comhshaoil
- An Oifig Forfheidhmithe i leith cúrsaí Comhshaoil
- An Oifig um Fianaise is Measúnú
- Oifig um Chosaint Radaíochta agus Monatóireachta Comhshaoil
- An Oifig Cumarsáide agus Seirbhísí Corparáideacha

Tá Coiste Comhairleach ag an nGníomhaireacht le cabhrú léi. Tá dáréag comhaltaí air agus tagann siad le chéile go rialta le plé a dhéanamh ar ábhair inní agus le comhairle a chur ar an mBord.



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