

Climate Action Fund III Project Blurbs

The Messages led by The Mary Robinson Centre, is a *Shared Island* project building on a food culture rooted in land, sea, seasons, and community, influencing how people grow, share, and relate to food. It will work across Armagh, Antrim, Derry, Down, Fermanagh, Galway, Mayo, Tyrone.

Cultureways led by Cork City Council, drives behaviour change in Cork City by encouraging people to rethink car journeys under 2km. In partnership with Midsummer Festival, the Glucksman Gallery, and the UCC Sustainability Institute, *Cultureways* commissions artists to co-create routes grounded in local identity, activating neighbourhoods and public spaces.

Demolition Take Down: Assemblages led by The School of Architecture, Building and Environment at Technological University Dublin, seeks to shift behaviour around construction and demolition waste through architecture, innovation and participation by improving carbon literacy among authorities, reducing construction & demolition waste and activating higher education to shape emerging cultures in the industry.

Dinnseanchas: The Agency of Place led by Hometree, supports upland communities to design and deliver nature restoration at scale. Connecting communities with technical expertise, it enables locally driven solutions such as woodland restoration and peatland recovery. Alongside a campaign reframing the value of Ireland's uplands, it establishes a scalable model for community-led climate action.

Designing Climate Resilient Systems for and with Communities led by Creative Futures Academy, is a three-year, island-wide initiative that applies whole-systems design thinking and speculative design processes to accelerate the transition of Ireland's 1,000+ Sustainable Energy Communities from masterplan to meaningful action.

Confluence: Building the River Moy's Resilience, People and Place led by Accelerating Change Together (ACT) with UCD Centre for Irish Towns, and artist Ríonach Ni Néill, is a creative climate action project using culture, storytelling and co-design to reframe how communities understand and respond to climate change along the River Moy catchment.

West Kerry Food Futures led by Dingle Hub, is a three-year project led by Dingle Hub to prove the concept of a shared services model that enables small food producers to access markets in a viable, coordinated way. The project is grounded in strong local partnerships, with Maharees Conservation Association, ensuring deep community engagement and alignment with climate adaptation goals.

A Bog Worth Keeping: From Turf to Custodianship led by An Taisce, rooted in the Sliabh Beagh peatlands, spanning County Monaghan and Counties Fermanagh and

Tyrone, is a project that uses art, storytelling and creative participation to support cultural and behavioural change around peatland protection.

Inclusive Climate Futures for All: No One Is Left Behind led by Atlantic Technological University, repositions people with intellectual disabilities as leaders in climate action, with students and graduates from Atlantic Technological University Project WAVE acting as researchers and knowledge producers. Working alongside Corlann Roscommon and HAIL residents in supported housing, participants use creative participatory methods to explore sustainable living.

Not Going It Alone: Ar Scáth a Chéile led by Kildare County Council, is a climate action programme addressing biodiversity loss, climate adaptation and land-use change. The programme includes a 'Land Use Futures' residency with 12th Field, five site-specific artist residencies across key habitats, and a public engagement programme of podcasts, events and seminar at Maynooth University.

SENSE (Sensory Engagement for Nature, Sustainability, Energy) the Change: Ballyhoura led by Ballyhoura Development, will deliver immersive, science-based, multisensory experiences to make climate change tangible and locally relevant. The programme will engage head, heart, and hands, to inspire and translate sensory experiences into specific, measurable climate behavioural changes and collective local climate actions.