



An Roinn Gnóthaí Fostaíochta  
agus Coimirce Sóisialaí  
Department of Employment Affairs  
and Social Protection



INTERNATIONAL  
DAY for the  
ERADICATION  
of POVERTY  
17 OCTOBER



# United Nations

## International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018

“Wherever men and women are condemned to live in extreme poverty, human rights are violated. To come together to ensure that these rights be respected is our solemn duty.”

These words were expressed by **Joseph Wresinski** on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 1987 at Trocadéro Plaza, Paris which is the place where the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was signed in 1948. Since then, on the **17<sup>th</sup> October** each year, all those who reject poverty and exclusion mark this day throughout the world to express their solidarity and their commitment to ensure that everyone’s dignity and freedom are respected. **2018** represents an important year in Ireland as it is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the unveiling of the 17 October Human Rights and Poverty Stone in Dublin (unveiled on 17 October 2008) and internationally as it will mark the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) which will be observed at the UN and around the world.

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# PUBLIC AWARENESS FUNDING

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## **Purpose of the Funding**

**The Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection would like to provide funding to support anti-poverty groups to organise local, regional or national activities to promote awareness of the UN International Day for the Eradication of Poverty and to mark this day in 2018.**

The UN theme for this year's commemorations is *"Coming together with those furthest behind to build an inclusive world of universal respect for human rights and dignity"*

"As we celebrate the 70th anniversary of the proclamation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights this year, it is important to recall the fundamental connection between extreme poverty and human rights, and that people living in poverty are disproportionately affected by many human rights violations." (United Nations Division for Inclusive Social Development).

"The UN International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is a day to express friendship and solidarity with people who have to live with poverty and social exclusion every day of the year, in Ireland, Europe and around the world. It is an occasion to recognise the lived experience of so many children, young people and adults, and also the part they play in their daily lives to support human rights in countless gestures of resistance and solidarity. It is a chance to listen to their voices. It is a day to renew our determination to act all year long against poverty, learning how to do this in partnership with those whose lives are the hardest." (Irish 17<sup>th</sup> October Committee).

# What Activities Can Be Funded

**Once-off initiatives** with a national, regional or local focus and aim:

- to create public awareness of the ***UN International Day for the Eradication of Poverty;***
- to create public awareness of poverty in Ireland;
- to involve people at risk of, or experiencing poverty;
- to express solidarity with the fight to eradicate poverty globally.

A broad range of activities, or combination of activities, will be considered for funding, including:

<b>Events</b>	<b>Publications</b>
Exhibitions	Leaflets/Flyers/Postcards
Artistic, crafts & cultural initiatives	Posters
Media events	Booklets
Community workshops or public gatherings giving voice to people experiencing poverty	Social Media
Drama	Film/Video Productions

Activities **MUST** take place on or around **17<sup>th</sup> October, 2018**

## What activities cannot be funded?

Please note that the scheme **cannot** fund:

- Annual reports, newsletters or other promotional materials;
- Conferences, seminars, or similar;
- Research or policy analysis;
- Salary costs for core staff;
- A group’s ongoing project or running costs such as rent, utilities etc.;
- Work that has already happened;

- Any other project or costs outside of the scope of the guidelines set down by the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection for this programme.

## **What funding is available?**

Total funding available is approximately €55,000.00 the maximum amount of funding available under this initiative is €3,000.00 per proposal.

## **Who can apply for funding?**

This funding is open to anti-poverty organisations and groups working with people experiencing poverty at national or local level.

The Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection will **NOT** accept applications from profit making or trading companies, individuals, local and community development companies, local authorities or statutory bodies or any bodies outside the Republic of Ireland.

*Please note: groups that have received funding from the Social Inclusion Division under previous initiatives need to have all associated requirements satisfactorily completed, otherwise funding for **2018** may not be considered.*

## How decisions are made?

The Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection will assess each application against the following criteria:

- Will the work raise awareness and promote *17 October, UN International Day for the Eradication of Poverty*, based on the **theme** for the current year?
- Is the work related to tackling poverty in Ireland?
- Does the work involve people experiencing poverty?
- Does the work have a solidarity dimension, i.e. make a connection between people from different challenging circumstances?
- Does the work make a connection between people experiencing poverty in Ireland and the rest of the world?
- Are the costings realistic and cognisant of value for money considerations?
- Is the proposal clear, well planned and thought out?

The Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection will give regard to geographical spread in awarding funding.

**Full compliance with Tax Clearance Procedures as laid down by the Department of Finance is a condition of awarding this funding.**

### **Deadline**

The deadline for applications is **12.00 noon, Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018**. Late applications **will not** be considered.

## Application Forms

Application forms can be obtained on the DEASP Website or directly from Social Inclusion Division, Floor 2, Goldsmith House, Pearse Street, Dublin 2 by email from us at [social.inclusion@welfare.ie](mailto:social.inclusion@welfare.ie)

**Applicants are encouraged to return their completed forms electronically.**

Link to welfare website at: <http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/Events.aspx>

## Links to additional information on 17 October the United Nations International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

[www.un.org/development/desa/socialperspectiveondevelopment/international-day-for-the-eradication-of-poverty-homepage.html](http://www.un.org/development/desa/socialperspectiveondevelopment/international-day-for-the-eradication-of-poverty-homepage.html)

[www.overcomingpoverty.org](http://www.overcomingpoverty.org)

[www.17october.ie](http://www.17october.ie)

<http://17october.ie/gallery2016/>

<http://17october.ie/gallery2015/>



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