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Dear Resident,

Ireland's membership of the European Union has had a huge impact on our lives: from the use of a common currency to protecting our environment, from increased economic growth to tackling gender inequality, and from giving the country a stronger voice on the global stage to promoting social inclusion.

Communities, businesses, farmers, schools, universities and cultural organisations are just some of those who have benefitted from EU support across Ireland.

While we should never lose sight of the broader benefits of EU membership in terms of peace, prosperity and political stability, this report zooms in at a county level to illustrate just a few of the stories of how the EU has worked with partners to deliver positive results on the ground.

In many ways, these stories capture the essence of what EU membership means to people at a local level across the length and breadth of Ireland.

Yours faithfully

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**Smart use of storage heaters
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Smart use of storage heaters saves energy



Horizon 2020 EU-funded researchers have investigated the use of local small-scale smart heat storage devices and their role in the future EU energy landscape.

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Fishing for Litter



Fishermen in Clogherhead are making a significant difference to sea pollution by landing an unusual catch. By participating in the Fishing for Litter project, a Clean Ocean Initiative supported by the EU, all trawlers in Ireland's main ports are encouraged to help clean our seas.

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Support for Louth Farmers

Biodiversity training in Louth

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Support for Louth Farmers



Irish Agriculture received EU support worth over €1.7 billion in 2020. In Louth, basic payments to farmers alone amounted to almost €19.4 million in 2019, with an average payment of €12,646 per recipient.

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Biodiversity training in Louth



Louth Leader Partnership ran EU- funded courses on biodiversity for communities from all over Louth, to enable them to bring their skills into their neighbourhoods.

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Social Farming Across Borders



Social Farming Across Borders is an EU Cross-Border Funded project which operates in the Border counties of Ireland and all of Northern Ireland. Social Farming is the practice of offering activity on family farms as a form of social support service. A family farm in County Louth that predominantly farms sheep in the Cooley Peninsula ran a pilot project.

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Research and Innovation



HORIZON 2020

**Detecting Document Fraud in
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Detecting Document Fraud in Dundalk



A Dundalk-based company, Trilateral Research Ltd, is playing an important role in an EU funded project that is helping border authorities to improve their response to document and identity verification.

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Technical Support for Criminal Investigations



Crime investigators need to make sense of massive streams of complex data. Dundalk-based company, Trilateral Research Ltd, is involved in an EU-funded project that will provide law enforcement agencies with advanced, almost-real-time, analytical support for multiple Big Data streams.

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Smart Dementia Care in Dundalk



The Netwell CASALA Centre in Dundalk Institute of Technology is developing a new digital toolkit that will support someone living with dementia, together with their formal and informal carers, to self-manage their care. This project is supported by the EU Regional Development Fund, through the Frontiers for the Future programme.

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Assisting Cancer Treatments



Numa Engineering Services, a specialist software company based in Dundalk, has (project ended Nov 2019) received EU-funding to develop a cloud-based software product that assists radiologists to perform minimally invasive cancer treatments more successfully.

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Cross-Border Initiatives



**Anticlockwise Antics in
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**Writing Letters across the
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Anticlockwise Antics in Dundalk



In early 2019, An Táin Arts Centre was bursting with creativity as Dundalk Youth Centre launched its second exhibition of the Anticlockwise PEACE IV funded programme. For one night only 10 acts took the main stage with a variety of performances, films and montages, with visual arts adorning the stage, creating a truly unique atmosphere.

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Writing Letters across the Border



In the Cooley Peninsula, a group called Cooley Connect Well set up a Cross Border Letter Writing initiative to improve intercommunity connections between group members north and south of the border. The COVID19 crisis initiated new challenges but with a little bit of ingenuity the cross border letter-writing project, funded by PEACE IV under the Building Positive Relations strand, became a success.

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Urban Development



**Rejuvenation of centre of
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**European Investment Bank
backs Social Housing in
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Rejuvenation of centre of Dundalk



A much needed improvement scheme for the centre of Dundalk was officially opened in September 2020, transforming the historic centre back to its former glory. Restoration work which the European Regional Development Fund co-funded, transformed the town.

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European Investment Bank backs Social Housing in Dunleer



Dunleer is forming part of the first phase of Ireland's first social housing public-private partnership. As a result of this, 80 housing units are underway.

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