

Guaranteed Irish Sustainable Leaders Programme 2026

Turning Sustainability into a Supply Chain Advantage

The **Guaranteed Irish Sustainable Leaders Programme**, delivered in partnership with sustainability platform ENSO, is now entering its second year.

The programme supports participants with practical learning, expert guidance and actionable tools to build a tailored sustainability roadmap, articulate their sustainability approach to customers, suppliers and investors, track progress through key metrics and collaborate with peers – embedding sustainability as a strategic advantage throughout their supply chains.

'We recommend the programme to any Guaranteed Irish members looking to drive real practical change.'



The collaborative environment, the expert guidance and focus on tangible outcomes makes it invaluable and the value of investments extra businesses.'

Christopher Carroll
Head of Strategy and Finance, VBT IT Solutions

As an SDG Champion for 2026-2027, Guaranteed Irish brings a government-recognised, partnership-led approach to sustainability. Sustainability is central to our mission to foster positive change within communities, promoting practices aligned with global standards while staying true to our values of supporting quality jobs and strong local economies.



Programme Details

Start Date: 30th April 2026; 6 Months duration.

Location: Hybrid (Online/Dublin)

Participants: Up to 3 participants per company. Individuals responsible for delivering on sustainability and procurement regardless of prior ESG knowledge.

ENSO Platform Access: 6 months to track progress, carbon footprint and initiatives. Optional ENSO platform continuation and consultancy.

Exclusive member rate: €2,500 per company (valued at €5,000)

Programme Objectives

Trained & Empowered Team: Provide sustainability literacy training to enhance knowledge, compliance and risk management to your team.

Sustainability Roadmap and Statement: Equip members with a sustainability roadmap and statement to support communication, tender applications, and access to new supply chains.

ESG Data: Introduce a platform for measuring and managing energy, water, carbon, and waste to reduce operating costs.

Peer Network: Create a professional peer network for collaboration, knowledge sharing, and best practices.

Workshop Schedule & Topics

Online Workshop 1: Thursday 30th April (10:30am-1pm)

Introduction to Sustainability & Building a Sustainability Team

- Understanding the concept of sustainability and its importance
- Learning how to develop a sustainability strategy for your business
- Recognising climate change challenges and business opportunities
- Defining the role and purpose of a sustainability team
- Structuring an effective sustainability team within an organisation
- Introduction to the ENSO platform

Online Workshop 2: Thursday 14th May (10:30am-1pm)

Topic: Energy Use & Energy Action Planning

- Understanding methods for setting a baseline for energy usage
- Developing an energy action plan
- Identifying energy efficiency and reduction opportunities
- Applying similar strategies for water and waste management

Online Workshop 3: Thursday 28th May (10:30am-1pm)

Topic: Regulations - CSRD & VSME

- Overview of CSRD requirements
- Understanding expectations from larger partners
- Understanding double materiality and how to conduct an assessment
- Reviewing voluntary SME standards and leveraging them to position your business as an ideal supplier

In-Person Workshop 4: Thursday 17th September (10:00am-2pm)

Topic: Supplier Readiness

- Setting specific, measurable targets and tracking progress
- Meeting sustainability expectations from larger partners
- Preparing stakeholder communications, including your company website
- Completing a bespoke sustainability roadmap for your business
- Peer knowledge exchange and collaborative workshop activities

ENSO Group Clinics: June and October

In Partnership with ENSO



ENSO is on a mission to simplify sustainability for businesses and make it one of their key competitive advantages. Through their award-winning platform, ENSO works with businesses to create impactful sustainability strategies and help them transparently communicate their activities to customers, suppliers, employees and other key stakeholders. ENSO have developed training programmes to help fast track sustainable adaptation and development within businesses. ENSO has recently achieved B Corp certification.

Your Programme Facilitators

Clémence Jamet



is the Sustainability Lead at Guaranteed Irish. She holds a Master's in Business Administration from France and is a graduate of UCC's Sustainability in Enterprise programme. Clémence leads the sustainability initiatives at Guaranteed Irish, including the Guaranteed Irish Forest and Sustainability Roadmap, making sustainability practical and actionable for over 2,000 Irish businesses.

Donal Quinn



is the Founder of ENSO. Donal's background is in marketing, branding, and managing sustainability initiatives. While working in the private sector he realised the knowledge gap between businesses and their understanding of sustainability, its benefits and how to effectively communicate it. He set about developing the ENSO platform - helping businesses create impactful strategies, take meaningful action and transparently communicate their activities.

Erin Maher



is the Lead Sustainability Strategist and Adviser at ENSO. Erin holds a BSE in Climate Science and Impacts Engineering from the University of Michigan and a MSc in Development Practice from Trinity College Dublin. She is passionate about addressing the climate crisis in a just and equitable way, focusing on just transitions, accessibility and communication, and environmental justice.

To book your spot in the programme

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