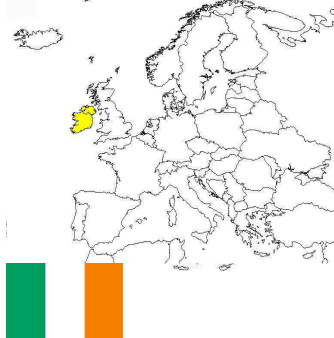


Local Authority Prevention Demonstration Programme (Ireland)

	Region	Ireland
	Type of prevention measure	Information on Waste Prevention Techniques
	Geographical level of implementation	Local
	Target	All Stakeholders
	Date of implementation	2006
	Type of waste	All Wastes

The Local Authority Prevention Demonstration Project (LAPD) provides funding, publicity and technical support to local authority and community waste prevention programmes, facilitating best practice sharing between participants.

Context

Ireland's National Waste Prevention Programme was launched in 2004, aiming to raise awareness, provide technical assistance, training, funding and incentives for a wide range of waste prevention activities. The programme anticipates the requirement for EU Member States to develop waste prevention programmes and is part of the Irish Environmental Protection Agency's wider goal of moving towards sustainable growth and resource efficiency.

LAPD provides much of its technical assistance through the Clean Technology Centre, a non-profit environmental research institution, which facilitates the exchange of knowledge between local authorities and helps to monitor the performance of initiatives.



Objective

The LAPD Programme identifies and supports effective waste prevention strategies at local level and empowers local authorities to develop and maintain their own projects, strengthening the principle of subsidiarity. In the long-term, the LAPD aims to support sustainable consumption and production in Ireland.

Funding for local authority projects is awarded to projects prioritising the following objectives:

- Achieving household, SME or public sector waste prevention
- Using indicators to measure initiative efficacy
- Sharing information with other local authorities
- Creating report and case studies for dissemination

Means

The LAPD:

- Initiates and supports local authorities, SMEs and NGOs leading local level prevention projects
- Provides specific funding for comprehensive prevention programmes undertaken by local authorities, which include dedicated staff and involve local stakeholders
- Offers expert technical assistance
- Publicises successful results of local prevention programmes

Results

Launched in 2006, the LAPD programme initially funded three ambitious programmes involving seven local authorities, with €1.2 million in grant aid. Seven further local authorities have been selected for funded projects.

Further Information

Local Authority Prevention Demonstration Programme: www.ctc-cork.ie/lapd/index.php?id=0
 National Waste Prevention Programme: www.epa.ie/whatwedo/resource/nwpp