



# **Cavan LEADER Rural Development Programme 2014- 2020**

## **Programme Overview**



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## Cavan LEADER Local Action Group

Cavan LEADER LAG is an initiative of County Cavan Local and Community Development Committee (LCDC) in partnership with Breffni Integrated CLG and Cavan Co. Council.



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# Cavan LAG

## Vision Statement

"To develop sustainable rural communities throughout County Cavan, through the provision of a programme that will enhance the social, natural human, physical and financial resources available to individuals and communities and thereby make Cavan 2020 a place that we can be proud of a place where people can have a good quality of life; a better place to live work and to enjoy"

# What is LEADER?



## LEADER:

Liaison Entre Actions de Développement de l'Economie Rurale

*'Links between the rural economy and development actions'*





# Who Can Apply?



Supporting individuals and groups to develop skills, resources,  
and opportunities that help to create equal and inclusive communities

# Why is LEADER Different?

- Area Based - Geographic
- Bottom Up Approach – Community Led
- The Local Action Group (LAG) - Partnership
- Innovative approach
- Integrated Approach

# **LEADER RDP 2014 – 2020 Operational Programme**

## **Priority 6**

**Promoting social inclusion, poverty reduction  
and economic development in rural areas.**

### **3 Cross Cutting Themes –**

- (1) Innovation**
- (2) Environment**
- (3) Climate Change**

# Theme 1 – Economic Development, Enterprise Development & Job Creation



**Rural Tourism**



**Enterprise  
Development**



**Rural Towns**



**Broadband**



## Theme 2 Social Inclusion

### Sub – Themes

Basic Services  
Targeted at Hard to  
Reach Communities



Rural Youth

## Theme 3 - Rural Environment



Protection and  
Sustainable  
use of Water  
Resources



Protection and  
Improvement  
of Local  
Biodiversity



Development  
of Renewable  
Energy



Theme	Sub-Theme	Budget Remaining €
Economic Dev, Enterprise Dev & Job Creation	Rural Tourism	554,993.69
	Enterprise Development	766,639.27
	Rural Towns	612,736.33
	Broadband	200,000.00
Social Inclusion	Basic Services for 'Hard to Reach' Communities	697,642.99
	Rural Youth	415,362.17
Rural Environment	Protection & sustainable uses of water resources	426,115.00
	Protection & improvement of Local Biodiversity	639,170.00
	Development of Renewable Energy	319,585.00

# Grant Aid Available & Rates of Aid:



## CAPITAL INVESTMENT

- Community = 75% To max of €200,000
- Private = 50% To max of €200,000



## Analysis & Development

- Community = 90% To max of €30,000
- Private = 75% To max of €30,000



## Training

- Up to 100%



# How to apply for LEADER Funding?

- Expression of Interest (EOI) form is the 1<sup>st</sup> stage in the Application Process
- This is to determine if your proposed project is eligible under the LEADER Operating Rules of Rural Development Programme 2014-2020 and complies with the Cavan Local Development Strategy.
- One EOI form is required for each project
- EOI forms must be completed in full
- EOIs are NOT an Application form

# 2<sup>nd</sup> stage of Application Process

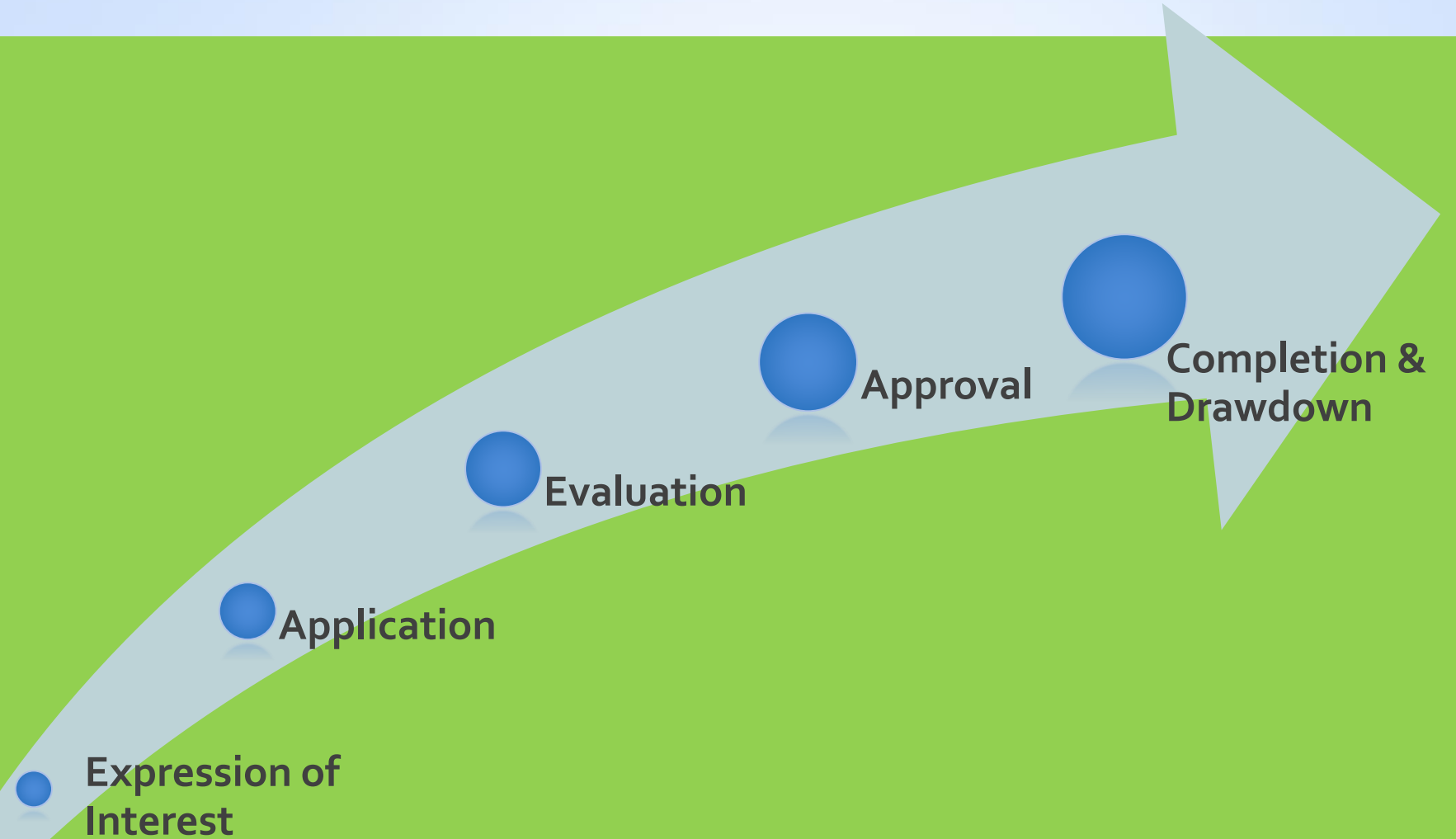
- Complete Application form and provide required documentation relevant to your project (listed on application form)

Examples of some documents required:

- Ownership/Title/Leases/Agreements – stamped and certified with maps
- Financial details
- Quotations/Procurement <http://www.etenders.gov.ie>
- Insurance – For all parties and indemnifications
- eTax Clearance Certificates – For all parties involved with project

LEADER staff are available to assist you with the completion of your application form.

# Application Process



# Some Ineligible sectors & activities

- Agriculture
- Conventional retail operations
- Courses of instruction or training which form part of the normal education programmes
- Loans, working capital, insurance & reclaimable VAT
- All Motor vehicles
- Planning application fee
- Improvements/refurbishment of private residential property
- Childcare, Healthcare, Nursing Homes



# What is Eligible?

Actions which link to the LEADER themes

**AND**

which are included in the Local  
Development Strategy for county Cavan  
are eligible for consideration for  
LEADER funding.

# Eligible Cost Items

The following investments operations are eligible for funding

- Construction, renovation or improvement of immovable property;
- Purchase of new and secondhand machinery and equipment
- Professional/Technical Fees (up to 12% of project costs)
- Marketing and promotion
- Tailored and specialised training programmes
- Analysis & development (e.g. feasibility studies, pilot projects)
- Intangible investments such as the acquisition or development of computer software and acquisitions of patents, licenses, copyrights, trademarks.



**Thank You  
for your attention!  
We are happy to answer  
questions!**



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