# Coalition 2030 Election Manifesto





#### **Make Poverty History**

- ♦ Invest in Social Protection and Public Services
- Put socio-economic equality at the heart of Irish policy-making
- ♦ Address the hidden dimensions of poverty



#### Transition to a Sustainable, Healthy Food System

- Implement an integrated sustainable food & agriculture policy that promotes food sovereignty & food security in Ireland
- ♦ Align food, agriculture and health policies



#### Ensure Affordable Healthcare for Al

- Introduce universal access to health, housing & educational services
- ◆ Facilitate the transition to a wellbeing economy



#### Ensure Access to Inclusive Education for Al

- Promote adult learning and skills
- Ensure no child is left behind
- ◆ Ensure all learners participate in global citizenship education



### **End the Gender Pay Gap**

- ♦ Ensure equal pay for women
- ♦ Introduce gender quotas in general elections
- ◆ Increase funding for the development of women in business, education and STEM



# **Protect Irish Water Ecosystems**

- Promote water harvesting and sustainable usage
- Fully implement EU Water Framework
   Directive
- ♦ Upgrade existing infrastructure



# **Increase Finance for Renewable Energy Systems**

- Future-proof energy & transport systems
- ♦ Just transition to a low-carbon economy
- ◆ 50% emissions reduction by 2030 (7%/annum)
- National Community Energy Strategy & finance for community-owned renewable energy projects



# **Ensure Just Transition Strategy for All**

- Promote a solidarity economy
- ♦ Introduce a 4-day week & a living wage
- Increase investment in rural regeneration, SME & social enterprise development
- Provide training & re-skilling strategies & support for the bio- & circular economies



#### **Build Resilient Infrastructure**

- Promote green & fair procurement
- ♦ Affordable & accessible public transport for all



#### Leave No One Behind

- ♦ Promote social & economic inclusion for all
- Establish alternatives to Direct Provision



#### Sustainable Cities & Communities

- End homelessness by ensuring access to safe, affordable housing
- ♦ Promote green infrastructure & networks



#### Promote Ireland's Circular Economy

- ♦ Eliminate single-use plastic
- ♦ Implement Zero Waste Policy
- Promote Ireland's Green Economy & Bioeconomy
- ♦ Promote short food supply chains



#### **SDG-proof Ireland's Climate Action Plan**

- Implement faster, fairer climate action & climate justice for all
- ◆ Mainstream climate action across all policies



# **Protect Ireland's Water Ecosystems**

- ♦ Restore Irish bogs, peatlands, waterways, rivers, lakes, estuaries & marine & coastal waters
- Ensure full compliance with EU Water Framework Directive
- ◆ Support small-scale & sustainable fisheries



# **Cherish Ireland's Environment & Natural Heritage**

- New National Land Use Plan for Nature
- ♦ Finance the Green New Deal
- ♦ Reform the Common Agricultural Policy
- Increase investment in agroforestry, regenerative agriculture & small-scale, local food producers



#### **Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development**

- Align all national/international policies & strategies with Agenda 2030 and the SDGs
- Promote social inclusion to eliminate racism
   & discrimination
- ◆ Ensure all policies are embedded within Human Rights frameworks
- Ensure accountability, monitoring and evaluation of the SDGs



# Ireland's SDGs National Implementation Plan 2020

- Ensure full stakeholder participation, so that Ireland delivers fully on its Agenda 2030 commitments and targets
- ♦ Commit to reaching the 0.7% ODA target

# Ireland and the SDGs

















In February 2019, Social Justice Ireland published its Sustainable Progress Index, which tracks Ireland's performance on the SDGs compared to the other EU15 countries.

SDG	Ranking out of EU15 Countries	SDG	Ranking	SDG	Ranking
SDG 1	7/15	SDG 7	12/15	SDG 13	11/15
SDG 2	10/15	SDG 8	9/15	SDG 14	9/15
SDG 3	9/15	SDG 9	11/15	SDG 15	8/15
SDG 4	2/15	SDG 10	11/15	SDG 16	4/15
SDG 5	10/15	SDG 11	8/15	SDG 17	11/15
SDG 6	5/15	SDG 12	14/15		

Ranking by each SDG showed that Ireland scored well on the following SDGs:

- SDG 4. Quality Education
- SDG 6. Clean Water & Sanitation
- SDG 16. Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions.

Ireland scored in the bottom third compared with the other countries and faces significant challenges in achieving the objectives of these SDGs:

- SDG 5. Gender Equality
- SDG 7. Affordable & Clean Energy
- SDG 9. Industry, Innovation & Infrastructure
- DG 10. Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 12. Responsible Consumption & Production
- SDG 13. Climate Action
- SDG 17. Partnerships for the Goals

The remaining SDGs ranked 6-10 indicate the need for improvement. Going forward, it is critical to continue monitoring all relevant indicators under SDG targets to track progress towards achieving the goals within by 2030.

# Coalition 2030 calls for candidates to support the following pledges:

- Fully implement the SDGs both nationally and internationally
   The Irish government must take a systemic approach to mainstreaming the SDGs across all policies with a focus on system-level and just transition, ensuring no one is left behind.
- 2. Enhance Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development

The government must ensure that all internal and external policies are aligned with the SDGs across all sectoral policies and programmes, at global, national and local levels. Policy coherence and cross-departmental coordination is crucial to addressing the multiple challenges of poverty reduction, environmental degradation and economic vulnerability, and ensuring sustainable development.

3. Support the creation of a dedicated Oireachtas Committee to monitor the implementation of the SDGs

The government must ensure the SDGs are monitored at the highest level.



















Coalition 2030 is an alliance of 75 leading international, local and national civil society organisations, representing all sectors of civil society, committed to delivering on the SDGs and Agenda 2030