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Factsheet for case **IE-2020-14/794**

Business continuity voucher

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Country	Ireland, applies nationwide
Time period	Open ended, started on 01 April 2020
Type	Legislation or other statutory regulation
Category	Supporting businesses to stay afloat – Direct subsidies (full or partial)
Case created	26 April 2020 (updated 06 May 2020)

Background information

The Local Enterprise Office (LEO) is a public service support provider for anyone seeking information and support on starting or growing a business in Ireland.

The goal of this measure - the provision of business continuity vouchers - is to help companies make informed decisions about what immediate measures and remedial actions should be taken, to protect staff and sales as a response to mitigating the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Content of measure

The new Business Continuity Voucher, available through Local Enterprise Offices, is designed for businesses across every sector that employ up to 50 people. It can be used by companies and sole traders to develop short-term and long-term strategies to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Business Continuity Voucher is worth up to €2,500 in third party consultancy costs and can be used by companies and sole traders to develop short-term and long-term strategies to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Where successful, an expert will be selected from existing LEO or Enterprise Ireland panels to work with the applicant company to undertake the project.

Use of measure

No information

Actors, target groups and funding

Actors	Target groups	Funding
National government Local / regional government Public support service providers	SMEs One person or microenterprises Start-ups	National funds

Social partners

Role of social partners	No involvement
Form of involvement	No involvement

No involvement

Sectors and occupations

This case is not sector-specific.

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Sources

- 26 April 2020: Local Enterprise Office (www.localenterprise.ie)