PARTNER: SUSTAINABLE NATION IRELAND

Background

Sustainable Nation Ireland is the national platform for the promotion of Ireland as a world-leading sustainable finance centre of excellence.

Sustainability Objectives

Sustainable Nation Ireland's 2020 priorities include:

- Continue to advance ESG best practice across all asset classes in Ireland.
- Finalise Ireland’s first national sustainable finance roadmap.
- Support the development of the European Commission’s renewed Sustainable Finance strategy.
- Ongoing support to the UN-convened Financial Centres for Sustainability (FC4S) Network and the UN-convened Sustainable Insurance Forum.
- By means of the Sustainable Finance Skillnet, deliver sustainable finance talent programmes across banking, insurance, asset management, asset ownership and large corporates by supporting the development of a suite of programmes focused on general awareness; baseline technical knowledge; climate risk; knowledge of regulation and frameworks; the EU taxonomy; disclosure including TCFD; Financing a Just Transition and convergence of sustainable finance and technology.
- Co-host Ireland’s third Climate Finance Week, which aims to showcase Ireland’s commitment to mobilising the financial sector in support of meeting the Paris Agreement and UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Membership of any other initiatives/networks working on sustainability

- TCFD
- Climate Bonds Initiative

Recent Engagement with SIF

Sustainable Nation Ireland has supported the SIF since 2020, enabling it to gain momentum with 4 new members joining since January 2020, bringing the total membership to 30. SNI’s contribution has also enabled SIF to undertake research on emerging risks, share knowledge on supervisory practices and develop a new website. SIF and Sustainable Nation Ireland have also collaborated for Climate Finance Week Ireland 2020, with SIF Chair Geoff Summerhayes participating as a speaker, and SIF Head of Secretariat Stephen Nolan, delivering open remarks on the session ‘From Global to Local: Raising the Sustainability Ambition of the Insurance Industry’ on 4 November 2020.