

WHO IS CO-OPERATION IRELAND?

Co-operation Ireland is an all-island peace building charity established in 1979. While our role has evolved in line with the changing priorities for peace on the island of Ireland, at the core of our philosophy remains the belief that getting people to work together for mutual benefit, across religious, cultural, and political divisions, will promote greater understanding, respect and recognition of mutual interdependence. Our patrons are Her Majesty The Queen and President of Ireland Michael D Higgins.

Co-operation Ireland delivers over 30 programmes annually between communities in Northern Ireland, on a cross border basis with people in the Republic of Ireland, and internationally with Global partners in Great Britain and the United States. Most of our programmes are targeted at young people who are our future. We facilitate young people from different community backgrounds in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland to meet, work together and build positive relationships. Our programmes aim to prepare young people for living in a shared society by widening social networks, challenging negative attitudes and behaviours, and developing skills for working with others from diverse backgrounds.

WHAT IS CO-OPERATION IRELAND FUTURE LEADERS' PROGRAMME?

In preparation for considerable changes in relationships in Europe and between Ireland and Great Britain, Co-operation Ireland will give young people their voices in maintaining and strengthening these key relationships, by providing a [Bespoke online all-island Future Leaders Programme for young people from 16 years of age.](#)

The **overall aim** of the programme is to empower the next generation of young leaders and peacebuilders across the island of Ireland, equipping them with the skills, confidence, and networks to make positive contributions to the future development of their communities and their relationships between these islands.

- It will be delivered through a combination of on-line platforms enabling participants to work independently and collaboratively in facilitated workshops. Sessions will be facilitated by Co-operation Ireland's Programme staff as well as

involvement from inspirational figures from the world of business, sport, charities etc. Participants will have the opportunity to meet and work with peers from different backgrounds including partnerships across the island of Ireland, Great Britain, and the United States.

- Some of the **topics** included on the programme are as follows: Capacity building, Problem solving, Developing Confidence and Leadership skills, Engaging Authority, Social Action Projects, Personal Development.
- It is an **accredited programme** and will open opportunities to other Further Education Programmes

CALL FOR SUPPORT

Co-operation Ireland Future Leaders' Programme will deliver 500 "Future Leaders" over a five-year period and we need your support. As a charity we rely on donations, to make this innovative programme a success and we are calling on Individuals and/or Corporates to help us by becoming Ambassadors.



As a **Co-operation Ireland Future Leaders' Programme Ambassador**, you will not only be investing in the programme and enabling its delivery, but you will be investing in the "Leaders of the Future". Supporting this programme will offer a real and tangible CSR opportunity for Corporates to help their communities at a local and national level, enhancing the profile of your business. We ask that you support this programme by providing £/€5000 per year for the five-year period.

IN RETURN FOR YOUR SUPPORT CO-OPERATION IRELAND OFFERS:

- Regular recognition of your support – your name/ company name/logo will be listed in our Co-operation Ireland Future Leaders' Programme
- Your name/ company name/ logo listed on Co-operation Ireland's Website / Social Media Platforms and Publications for example, Annual Report, Newsletters, Ezine, all of which are circulated to our partners across the island of Ireland, Great Britain and the United States.
- Yourself and or a representative of your company will be given the opportunity to mentor/ meet with / liaise with the young people via online discussion groups/workshops/ presentations etc. You will also receive programme update reports three times a year.
- Recognition of your support listed in all pre and post programme PR for example press releases at national and local level
- Invitations for you and or a representative of your company to our end of programme graduation ceremony providing further networking opportunities for you with other Ambassadors

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

If you would like further information on being a **Co-operation Ireland Future Leaders' Programme Ambassador**, please contact Winnie Orr on +44 (0)7753 789942 or Janet Brennan on +44 (0)7483 174682 or alternatively you can email futureleaders@cooperationireland.org

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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
PRESIDENT OF IRELAND MICHAEL D. HIGGINS

