## The Importance of Climate Communication







### Creative Climate Action Fund

Creative Ireland Programme







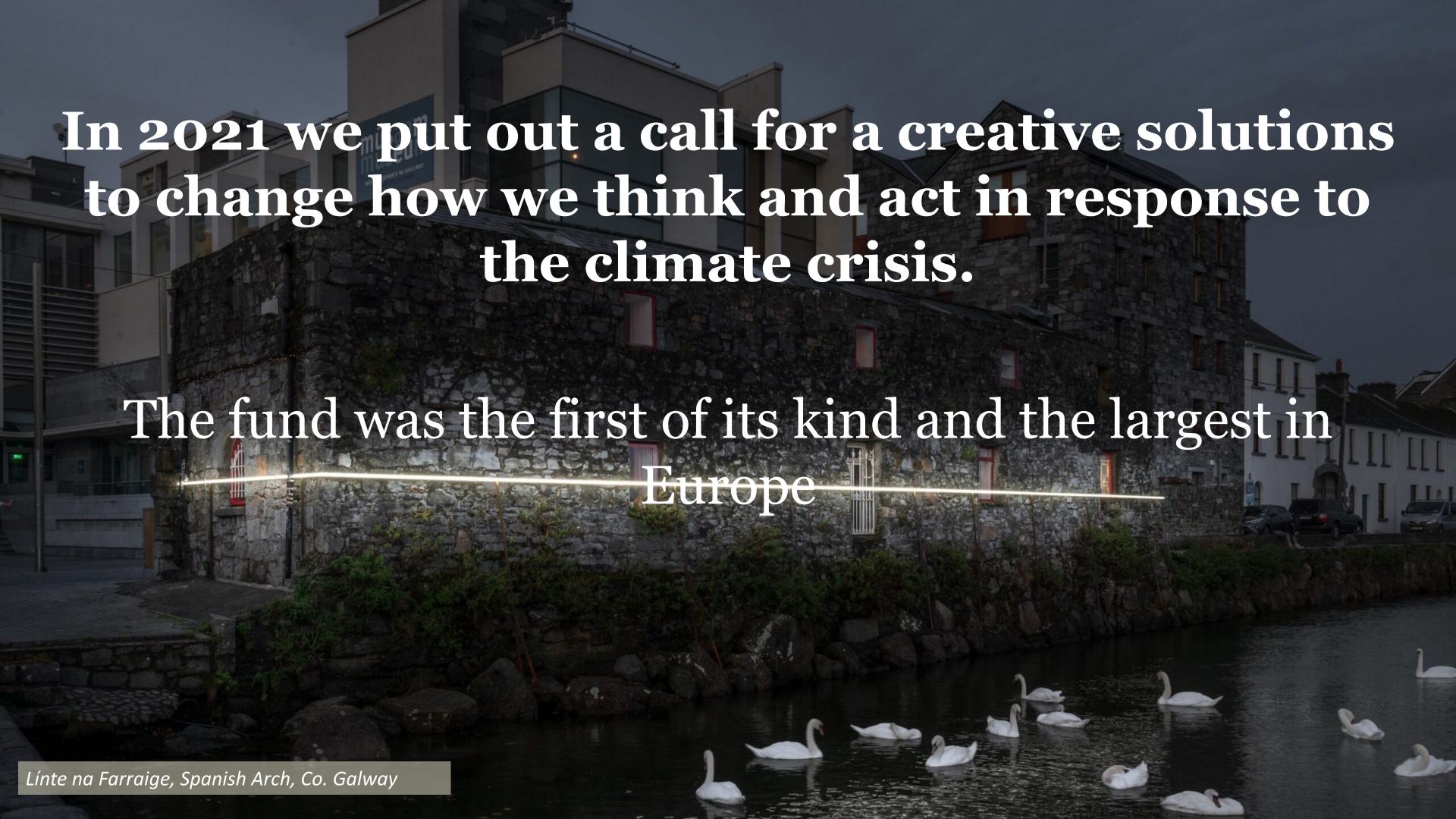






"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

– Maya Angelou



### The Creative Climate Action Fund invited the best of our creative talent to spark and ignite real cultural change, and to engage the public on the urgent transition to a climate resilient and carbon neutral society

## Creative Climate Action Fund II: Agents for Change THEMES

1
Helping
People
Rethink
Lifestyles

Connecting to the Biodiversity Crisis

3
Ensuring a
Fair and Just
Transition

4 Understanding the Changing Climate

Adapting places to climate change





## Creative Climate Fund II: 2023 - 2025

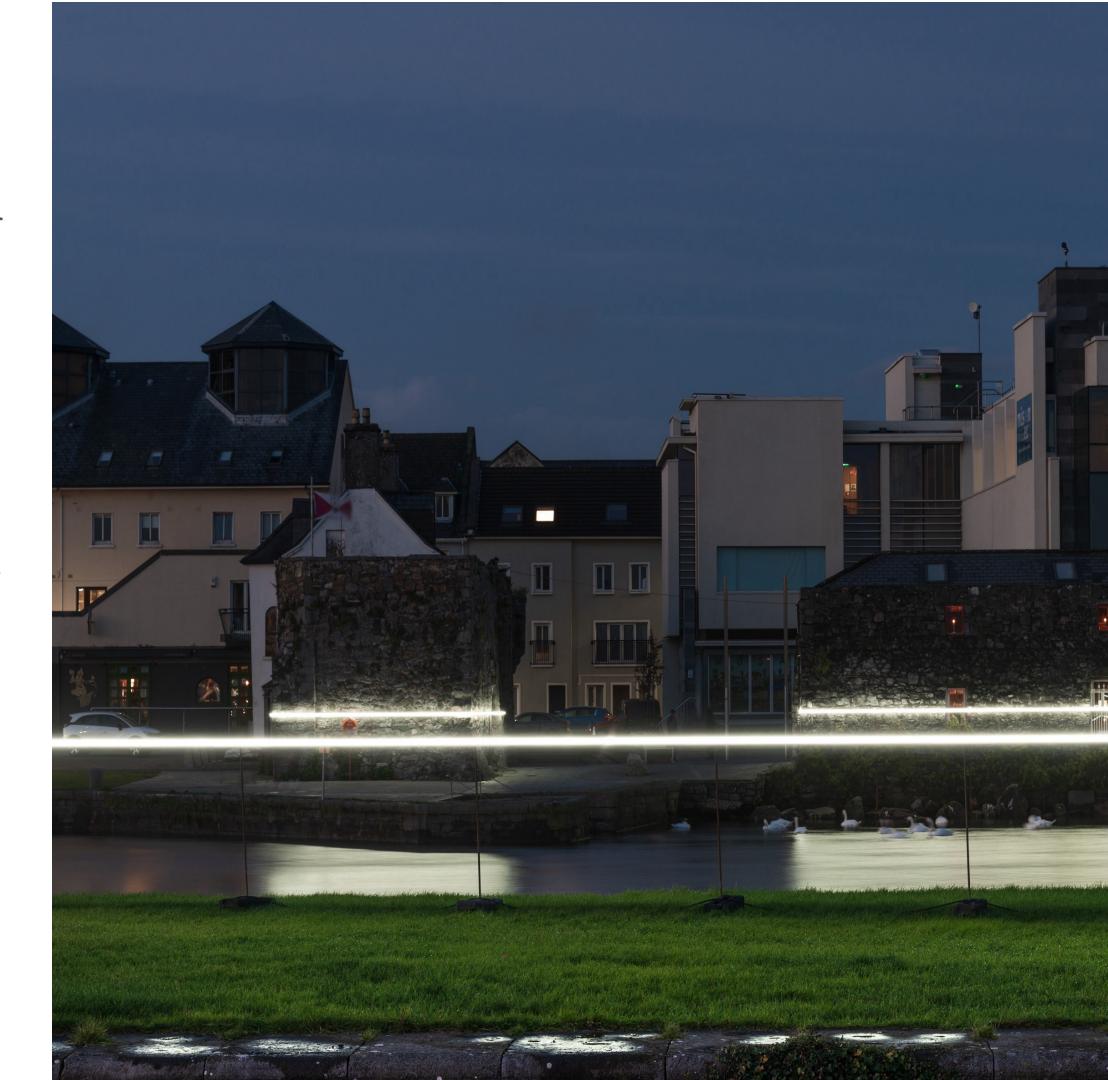
**Total support: €5.8 million** 

- •16 Ignite Projects
- •23 Spark Projects
- 3 Shared Island Projects

## Invoking an emotional response to rising sea levels,

a unique, yet stark reminder, that our seas are silently rising, and will continue to do so, undetectable to the naked eye

- Línte na Farraige, Spanish Arch, Galway





Making connections
between water and climate
change,

to create the Ripple Effect – the hope being that the positive impact of being empowered to make local changes in response to changing climate ripples out, creates connections, and sparks other actions and projects

- Ripple, Ballina, Co. Mayo

## Sustainable agriculture and farming practices,

through embedded artists and artists-in-residence working with communities on creative solutions and changing ways of thinking

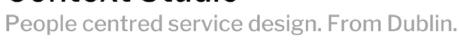
- Corca Dhuibhne Inbhuanaithe, Co Kerry



### From Plan to Do.

Using Creative Communication to drive Climate Action











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02

03

#### Service Design

A background into the practice of service design and how it relates to creative communication

#### The Project

We delve into our creative approach in creating impact with Connecting Cabra SEC

#### **Lessons Learned**

We share lessons in creative communication that we have learned from SECs along the way

### 01 Why Service Design?

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the human capacity to shape and make our environment... to serve our needs and give meaning to our lives

John Heskett, 1937 - 2014





#### **Context Studio**

People centred service design. From Dublin.







## O2 From Plan To Do







#### Challenge

Sustainable Energy Communities are struggling to move from the planning phase into actioning projects for impact in their community.

#### Opportunity

Through using creative design methodologies, SECs can be supported to more effectively achieve impact in their community.

#### The Process



Phase 1

Oct 23 - Jan 24

Phase 2

Mar 24 - Apr 24

Phase 3

May 24 - Jul 24

Research

Understand, empathise

Co-Design

Build together

**Prototype** 

Test, learn

#### Phase 1

#### Research

We start by understanding the problem deeply.

We've done this through 12 one hour research interviews with SECs of all different shapes and sizes across the country. We also held three in person workshops to connect over 20 SECs, gather deeper insights, and facilitate discussions.





#### Phase 2

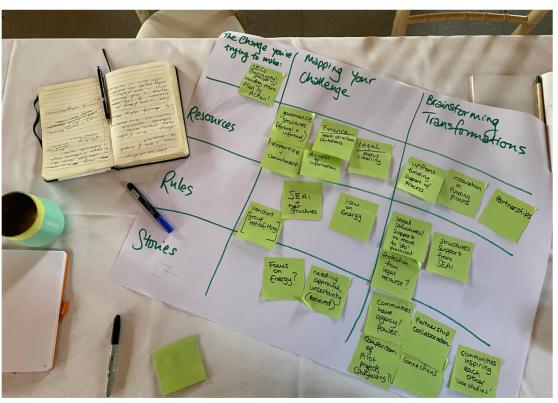
#### Co-Design

The best ideas come from those on the ground.

We engage the right people, ask the right questions, trigger discussion, and gather ideas for solutions.

We are kicking off our co-design activities on the 3rd of April.





#### Phase 3

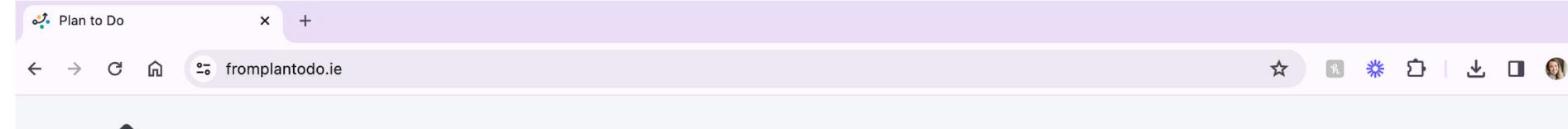
#### **Prototype**

We learn through doing. Using the ideas that will come from the community, from May we will launch small, cheap, and quick solutions to get early feedback. We will iterate early and often, and learn fast.

We're comfortable with not knowing what the outputs will be at the start of the project, as we trust the process knowing the best ideas will come from the on the ground experts.





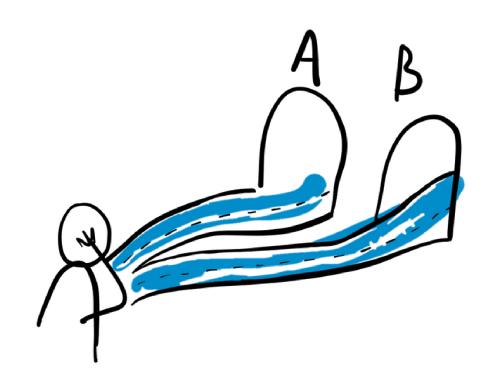




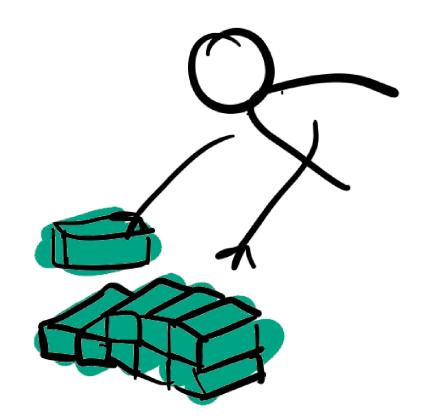
# Getting you from plan to do.

#### SEC Climate Action Journey









#### Find your Fit

Helping SECs articulate their type, and find others just like them.

#### Find your Focus

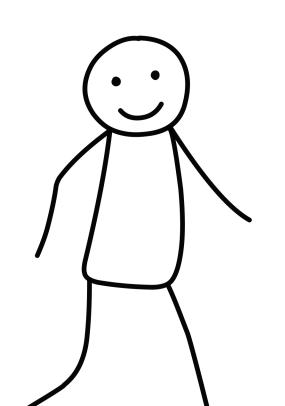
Helping SECs decide on their focus, and set tangible and achievable goals.

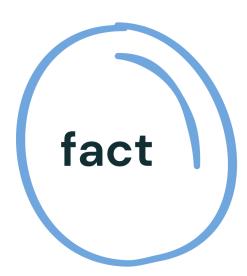
#### Find your Flow

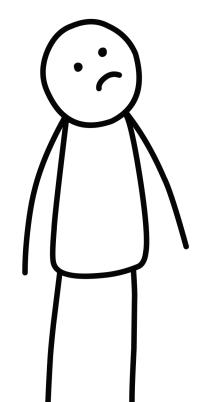
Provide project inspiration, resources and step by step instructions to actioning an impactful project.

### 03 Lessons Learned

## Creative Communication in Climate Action









### Move beyond messaging

### Design is a conversation

#### People want to hear from each other

#### We're only getting started

Share feedback!

Keep in touch!

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