

## Call for Expressions of Interest in Climate Change Advisory Council's Adaptation Committee

July 2026

The Climate Change Advisory Council is inviting expressions of interest from suitable candidates on its Adaptation Committee. It is intended to fill at least two vacancies on the Adaptation Committee under this process.

At its meeting of the 6 April 2016, the Council agreed that a committee should be established to address relevant climate change adaptation issues. The main responsibility of the Adaptation Committee is to provide independent advice to Government on policy relating to climate change adaptation. The successful candidates are expected to have demonstrable experience and expertise in science and policy relating to climate change adaptation and resilience.

Suitable candidates should have qualifications, expertise and experience, at an appropriately senior level, in at least one of the following:

- a. Those areas listed at Section 9 (4)(a)(i)-(x) of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act as amended<sup>1</sup>, particularly in the areas of biodiversity and eco-system services or economics
- b. Climate adaptation science, climate vulnerability and risk assessment
- c. Climatology, climate monitoring, modelling, projections and scenarios
- d. Local or regional government
- e. Disaster risk reduction, emergency planning, sustainable development
- f. Built environment, planning, engineering, infrastructure
- g. Oceanography, coastal management, geography, environmental sciences

The Adaptation Committee meets approximately six times per year (including two in-person meetings) and is a multi-disciplinary committee. Remuneration fees are not paid to Committee members, though their travel and subsistence expenses will be covered by the Council.

Suitable candidates are requested to submit their CVs and a statement of interest (maximum 1 page) to [info@climatecouncil.ie](mailto:info@climatecouncil.ie) by 5.00 pm on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> July 2026.

Expressions of interest are encouraged from candidates with a diversity of backgrounds and experience, and equitable gender balance will be promoted in the Adaptation Committee as per its Terms of Reference.

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<sup>1</sup> i.e. climate science; adaptation policy; transport policy; energy policy; agricultural policy; behavioural and communication science; biodiversity and eco-system services; economics; finance; political sociology or ethics in relation to climate.

An Assessment Panel will be convened by the Council to consider and assess the expressions of interest received. The panel will recommend suitable candidates to the Council for consideration.

Please take care when submitting your expression of interest to ensure that the Assessment Panel is as informed as possible as to your suitability for appointment to the Adaptation Committee. As the Assessment Panel will generally make its recommendations based on consideration of the documentation submitted, it is most important that you ensure that your statement of suitability and supporting Curriculum Vitae clearly specifies how your particular background and experience meets the requirements set out in this call.

For more information about the Adaptation Committee and its Terms of Reference, please see here: <https://www.climatecouncil.ie/aboutthecouncil/adaptationcommittee/>