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Ireland’s EEOS and alternative measures



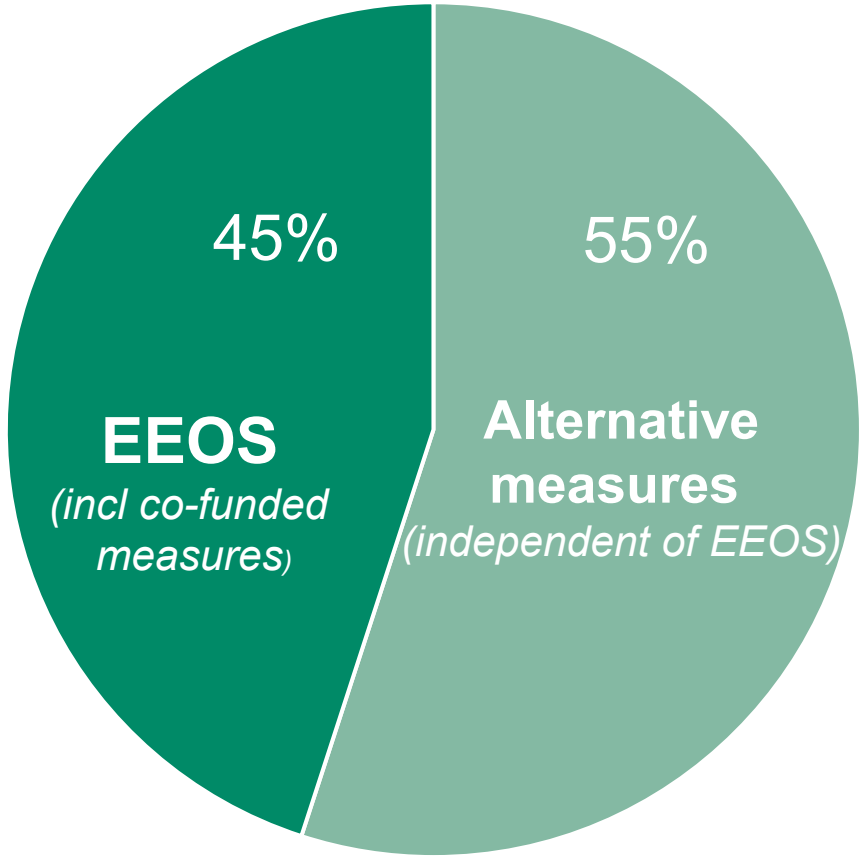
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Ireland's Article 8 approach

- Since 2014, Ireland has used a combination of EEOS and alternative measures to meet the EED Article 8 (originally Article 7) energy savings obligation target
- EEOS support is permitted to overlap with gov grants
  - In this case, 100% of the savings are counted towards EEOS
- Obligated Parties are permitted to contribute to the National Energy Efficiency Fund instead of delivering their targets directly, for up to 30%* of their target.
- The alternative measures share of the target includes government grant measures with no EEOS overlap and other broader measures such as taxation.
- Since 2026, the split is 45% EEOS, 55% AMs →



*Since 2026, newly obligated OPs can buy out a higher share in years 1 and 2.

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High-level history of Ireland's EEOS

2014 - 2020	EEOS share of Article 7 target gradually increased from **50% to 60%.** EEOS targets delivered in full (NEEF not used). Single, shallow measures popular
2021 - 2022	**EEOS = 60%** Transition to new deeper upgrades for domestic EEOS sub-targets. NEEF used from 2022. Unit updated from primary energy to final energy.
2023 - 2025	**EEOS = 60%** Deeper upgrades required. NEEF used Some OPs established OSSs to deliver new Govt grants, to make progress towards EEOS targets
2026 - 2030	**EEOS = 45%** EED recast led to 32% increase in annual EEOS target. Eligibility criteria updated to support delivery. Government grants increased.

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EEOS sub-targets and measure types

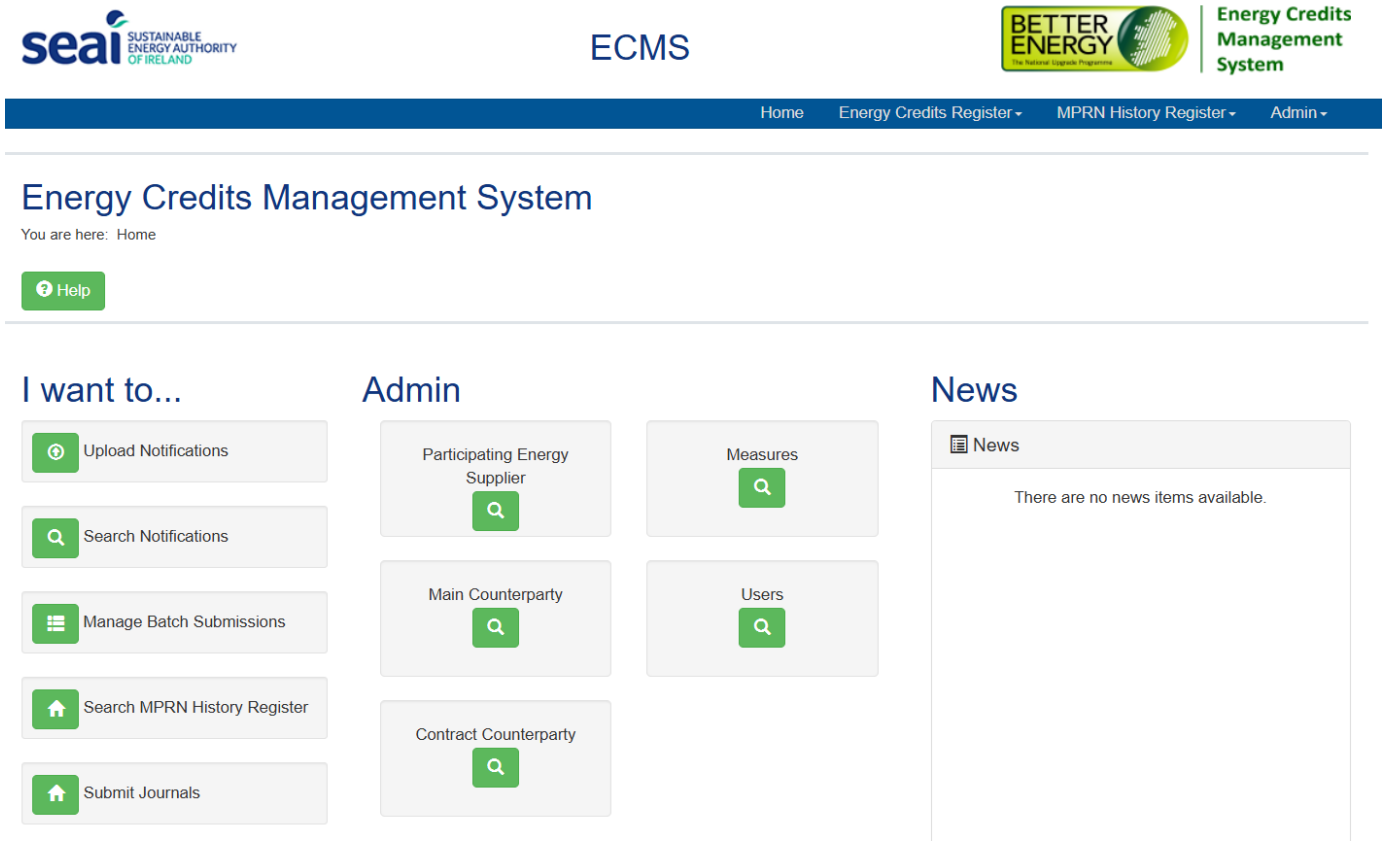
Sub-target	%	Measure types	Overlapping grant schemes
Cross-sector	85%	EVs, non-domestic upgrades, ISO 50001-driven savings, process improvements	EV grants, Community Energy Grants, Excellence in Energy Efficient Design
Residential	10%	Home energy upgrades: heat pump, external wall insulation, or minimum improvement in EPC	One Stop Shop grants, Community Energy Grants, Better Energy Homes
Energy poverty	5%	Same as for Residential but dwelling owner must be local authority, approved housing body or owner occupier meeting definition of energy poverty	Local Authority Energy Efficiency Retrofit Programme, Community Energy Grants

EEOS cannot overlap with fully funded grant schemes.

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Avoidance of double-counting

- All EEOS and grant scheme measures are recorded in the Energy Credits Management System.
- This automatically checks eligibility of new applications and notifications under the grant schemes and EEOS.
- It is also used for validation checks prior to submitting NECPR



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Optimising the overlap between EEOS and grant schemes

- Ireland's EEOS is now a mature programme, in place for over 10 years
- The policy context in place today is very different from 2014, for example:
  - Higher government grants available for energy efficiency
  - Cost of living crisis driving focus on the cost of energy
  - Increased public interest in climate change
  - Higher national targets in relation to climate action
- Obligated parties are now buying out a share of their targets, paying into the NEEF
- In light of these changes, we have been reviewing the overlap between the EEOS and the grant schemes, to understand how well it is working and to identify ways to ensure it is as effective as possible.
- Following a review, we have introduced a number of changes to the scheme to enhance its impact.

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EEOS enhancements to improve effectiveness of grants overlap

EEOS Support Declaration Form

Evidence forms made clearer for all EEOS beneficiaries, with the cost per kWh saving (or total contribution) set out in all cases where a quote or contract is not mandatory

EEOS value on project quote

The quote for the home energy upgrade work must specify the EEOS contribution, for the residential and energy poverty sub-targets

Beneficiary confirmation email

Email sent by SEAI to all EEOS beneficiaries at the point when energy savings from their project are counted towards an OP's EEOS target

Beneficiary survey

Periodic survey of a sample of all scheme beneficiaries to understand beneficiary experience of the scheme and to identify potential opportunities for improvement

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Example Declaration Form

EEOS Support Declaration Form – Home Energy Upgrade – Form A

Who is this form for?

This form is to be signed by the owner of a home which is undergoing a home energy upgrade with support under the Energy Efficiency Obligation Scheme (EEOS).

What is the Energy Efficiency Obligation Scheme?

Under the EEOS, most large energy companies in Ireland have annual energy efficiency targets. To meet their targets, these large energy companies, which are referred to as 'Obligated Parties', provide material support to businesses, public bodies and private individuals to save energy by making their buildings and assets more energy efficient. The relevant Obligated Party can then count the energy savings achieved by the relevant businesses, public bodies and private individuals towards its targets.

What type of support do Obligated Parties provide under EEOS?

The support provided by the Obligated Party can be financial (such as a discount) or technical (such as carrying out a pre- and post-works BER, or a mixture of both. The support must be agreed in advance and must be sufficient to influence the homeowner's decision to undertake the energy efficiency investment. If the Obligated Party cannot demonstrate that it has provided material support towards your energy efficiency improvement measure, it cannot count the energy savings towards their targets. Each home energy upgrade can only receive support from one Obligated Party.

Does the Obligated Party have to be your energy supplier?

No, the Obligated Party does not have to be your own energy supplier. A list of the Obligated Parties is available on our website: www.seai.ie/eeos

A: Home energy upgrade

Address		☐ House ☐ Apartment	Eircode
MPRN			

Measure(s) installed since pre-works BER	✓	Measure(s) installed since pre-works BER	✓
Air tightness		Fully integrated heating controls upgrade	
Cavity wall insulation		Heat pump systems	
Central Heating System		Internal wall insulation	
External door replacement		LEDs	
External wall insulation		Mechanical ventilation	
Floor insulation		Roof insulation	
Full window replacement		Solar water heating installation	

B: Obligated Party material support to homeowner

Name of Obligated Party			
Type(s) of material support provided	☐ Financial support		☐ Technical support
Details of support agreed in advance (e.g. discount, BERs)			
Value of supports provided	Discount	Other supports	Total
	€	€	€
The discount value shown above must also be included in the project quote.			

C: Obligated Party representative or partner declaration

- I confirm that this form has been completed accurately and in full.
- I understand that this form will not be accepted if not completed in full.
- I understand that this form must be accompanied by a copy of the quote for the works, with the value of the EEOS financial support clear.

OP representative signature	Date
	__ __/__ __/__ __ __ __
OP representative name (PRINT)	Company name

D: Homeowner declaration

I confirm that:

- The Obligated Party named in section B has provided material support to the delivery of the energy efficiency improvement measure(s) identified in section A above. Their material support (set out in section B above) has influenced my decision to proceed with the measure(s) identified in section A;
- I confirm that all material support to be provided by the Obligated Party was communicated and decided upon prior to the commencement of the energy efficiency improvement measure(s) identified in section A;
- I hereby agree that the eligible energy savings associated with the energy efficiency improvement measure(s) completed and identified in section A may be claimed by the Obligated Party named in section B, above;
- I have not authorised any other person or entity to claim these eligible energy savings;
- I understand that information collected in this form will be provided to the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) as the administrator of the Energy Efficiency Obligation Scheme;
- I understand that the SEAI Privacy Notice, which is available at www.seai.ie/eeos, applies to my personal data contained in this form;
- I agree that the Obligated Party named in section B above, SEAI or its agents may contact me to arrange an inspection of the works identified in section A;
- I agree to grant and facilitate access for the works in section A to be inspected by SEAI or its agents;
- I understand that the Obligated Party material support (set out in section B above) is separate from and in addition to any Government grant funding I may be receiving towards the measures identified in section A.

Homeowner signature	Date
	__ __/__ __/__ __ __ __
Homeowner email address	Homeowner first name

Any questions? Contact the SEAI EEOS team: EEOS@seai.ie