



Dear colleagues,

We are delighted to circulate the seventh quarterly Climate Ireland Adaptation Network (CIAN) news update with a quick round up of recent national and international adaptation-related items which may be of interest to you.

National & Regional:

- *Invitation:* The EPA is looking for Irish adaptation case studies at a local, regional, or sectoral scale to publish on Climate Ireland. If you have an adaptation or resilience case study, please send us a link or short summary for our database.
- *NCCRA:* The EPA published the [National Climate Change Risk Assessment](#) on 4th June 2025 which provides the first comprehensive assessment of where, when and how climate risks are likely to impact Ireland over the coming decades.
- *Climate Conference:* The Annual EPA Climate Change Conference was held on 28th May 2025 in Dublin Castle. Recordings of all talks can be viewed [here](#).
- *Policy Brief:* The Ryan Institute (University of Galway) launched its [Policy Brief Series](#) in April. In the first issue Dr Audrey Morley, with colleagues in Met Eireann and Maynooth University, discuss the implications of approaching a tipping point or a partial collapse of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC) and the impacts on Ireland's mild climate.
- *Beaches & Dunes Forum:* The National Beaches and Dunes Forum has been established to build awareness of dune work, facilitate networking between dune stakeholders, and develop a coordinated approach towards the sustainable management of beaches and dunes. More information on getting involved is available on [dunes.ie](#) or by contacting Lauren Minion from Leave No Trace Ireland at Lauren@leavenotraceireland.org.
- *Grants Leaflet:* Kilkenny County Council Climate Action Office has produced a new [Grants Leaflet](#) with information on various grants available to communities and households in Kilkenny for local climate action, adaptation and decarbonisation. The monthly [Kilkenny Going Green Newsletter](#) provides information on the latest climate action news from Kilkenny.

Upcoming events:

- Ireland's 9th National #ClimateActionWeek will run from October 13th-19th 2025. Sponsored by DCEE, Climate Action Week is coordinated by An Taisce in

collaboration with Local Authorities, community groups and businesses nationwide. Contact caw@eeu.antaisce.org to get involved.

European:

- *Climate-ADAPT country profiles*: The [updated country profiles](#) provide a concise overview of how European countries are planning and implementing climate change adaptation, based on the 2025 Governance Regulation (GovReg) reporting. Explore adaptation policies and actions, governance, good practices, knowledge platforms and more through an interactive map and access official data and documents – all in one place. A practical resource for anyone working on adaptation across Europe.
- *Call for Evidence*: The European Commission has published a [Call for Evidence](#) on climate resilience. Running until 4 September, the call is aimed at getting input from stakeholders and citizens, which will feed into the Commission's preparations for a new European climate resilience and risk management integrated framework, which is due for publication by the end of 2026.
- *ECB Blog*: In the next five years, extreme weather events could already put up to 5% of the euro area's economic output at risk, according to the new short-term scenarios of the Network for Greening the Financial System. Sabine Mauderer (Deutsche Bundesbank) and Livio Stracca (ECB) [blog](#) about the vanishing horizon for climate risks.
- *EU Water Resilience Strategy*: Adopted in June 2025, the [EU Water Resilience Strategy](#) is aimed at restoring and protecting the water cycle, securing clean and affordable water for all and creating a sustainable, resilient, smart and competitive water-economy in Europe. An essential component is the source-to-sea approach, which takes into account the impact pressures on the entire water system.
- *Risk Analysis*: Climate change, geopolitical tensions and technological advances contribute to an increasingly complex risk landscape across Europe. The [Joint Research Centre](#) analysed 47 risks spanning natural, technological, societal and geopolitical domains. It calls for anticipatory governance to strengthen the EU's capacity to anticipate and respond to systemic risks.

International:

- *Drought risk*: The recently released [OECD Global Drought Outlook](#) provides a global assessment of drought risk, impacts, and policy in the context of climate change. Drawing on international experiences and good practices, the report also assesses how countries can strengthen drought management in a changing climate.

- *UN Remarks*: Speaking at a UN Climate meeting pm 21 June, [UN Climate Change Executive Secretary Simon Stiell](#) called for mobilizing support for National Climate Plans that are "bolder, more ambitious and implementable".
- *Report on Earth Obs*: a new report developed by the [European Commission's Knowledge Centre on Earth Observation \(KCEO\)](#) examines how earth observation data and services, especially those from Copernicus, can better support EU urban climate adaptation policies, from monitoring Urban Heat Islands to informing local resilience strategies.

Research & Education:

- *Volume*: New to the Energy, Climate and the Environment Palgrave Series, Skillington & Setti's edited volume, *Climate Change Resilience Across Societal Contexts: Challenges, Potentials and Visions for the Future* examines current gaps in research thinking on how material and non-material factors work in tandem to inhibit effective sustainable development transitions across differing world settings. [see attached]
- *Course*: The [MSc in Climate Adaptation Engineering](#) at Trinity College Dublin is a one-year, full-time programme designed to equip graduates with essential skills to address climate change through engineering and applied science. It prepares graduates for leadership roles in both public and private sectors, focusing on practical solutions, innovative design, and industry-led projects to build climate resilience.
- *Course*: Applications are open for an IKC3 Climate Leadership Development Micro-credential commencing in September 2025. To apply, please see all course details and full application weblink and application process detailed [here](#). Deadline for applications: 27th August 2025.
- *Toolkit*: The [BluePrint Toolkit: Bridging Creativity and Climate Risk Communication](#) captures learning from the Creative Ireland funded BluePrint project aiming to inspire future artistic co-creation and partnership between government authorities, artists, researchers and communities at-risk. The guidance is targeted to support and inform the work of local authorities and other agencies working on climate action but may be utilised by a range of stakeholders. It includes guidance and tips for setting up a project partnership, implementing a co-creation process with communities to generate creative outputs (such as song, poetry and sound installation), and developing pathways to resilience with communities through continued dissemination and collaboration.

We would encourage you to circulate this newsletter to your contacts and don't forget to let us know about upcoming events or other items that might be of interest to CIAN members. Also, please encourage your peers to join the CIAN by emailing us at climateireland@epa.ie.