



An Roinn Oideachais  
Department of Education

# Partner Pack

## Irish Medium Education outside of the Gaeltacht Consultation

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Dear Partners,

The Department of Education has launched a consultation to inform the development of a new policy for Irish-medium education outside of the Gaeltacht.

The development of this policy is being informed by national and international research, and by the outcomes of a public consultation. Additionally, a report on current provision of Irish-medium education outside of the Gaeltacht has been published as an important reference point to inform the consultation and policy development process.

We ask you to please share the information about the public consultation and the link to the online questionnaire among your members or network.

It is vital that the public consultation reaches a large number of people, so that a wide variety of views and experiences of different individuals can be captured. This 'Partner Pack' contains different types of material you can use to help disseminate the message, including social media posts, short information videos and material for written communication with your stakeholders.

Thank you again for your continued support. If you have any questions or would like to further contribute to the public consultation, you are also welcome to make a written submission to [POLG@education.gov.ie](mailto:POLG@education.gov.ie) by 16 January 2023

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## **In this pack you will find:**

- 1. Details on how to access the consultation**
- 2. Links to social media assets sign-posting to the consultation**
- 3. More detailed video on the consultation**
- 4. Sample notice for newsletters/ bulletin boards**



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Consultation

## Consultation process to develop a policy on Irish-medium education outside of the Gaeltacht

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### Purpose of the public consultation process

The Department of Education has opened a public consultation process, seeking the views of interested stakeholders, to inform the development of a new policy for Irish-medium education outside of the Gaeltacht.

Members of the public and interested stakeholders, including young people, parents/guardians, teachers/early years educators, school leaders, members of school boards of management, school management bodies, education stakeholders and Irish-language stakeholders are invited to have their say on this important topic.

The insights and information on key issues gathered during this process will serve as a valuable resource to inform policy-development.

The department encourages representative bodies or umbrella bodies to share information relating to this consultation with their members to help gather as many views as possible.

### Consultation - Phase 1

\*Online consultation – questionnaires and written submissions – closing date 16 January 2023\*

On [gov.ie/POLG](https://gov.ie/POLG) you will find the consultation webpage. It is designed to outline the purpose of the consultation, the objectives of the new policy and a link to the online questionnaire.



## 2. Social post

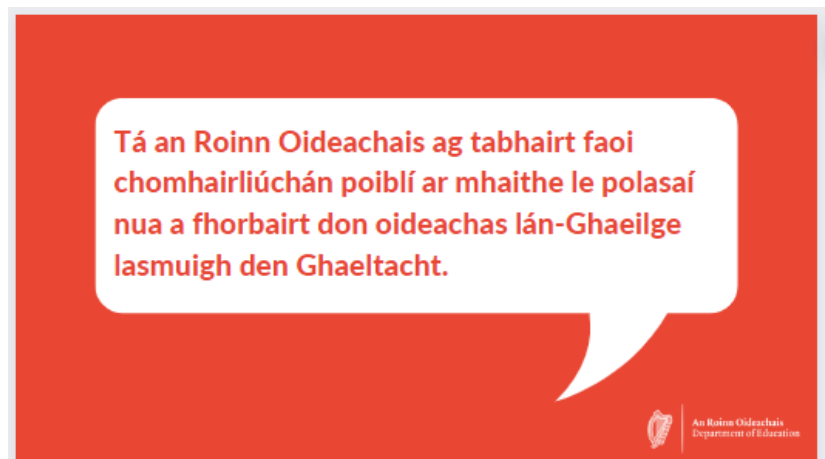


Please share the consultation content on social media to encourage participation, so that a wide variety of views and experiences of different individuals can be captured.

Posts can be found [here](#).

## 3. Social Video

A short 'shareable' [explainer video](#) has been created to encourage participation.





# 4. Newsletters

Please feel free to share the notice of the public consultation in your organisation's newsletter or on your bulletin board.

The Department of Education is conducting a consultation process to inform the development of a new policy for Irish-medium education outside of the Gaeltacht.

You are invited to have your say on issues such as:

- How we can increase opportunities for children and young people to access Irish-medium education?
- How we can increase the supply of teachers and other staff with a high standard of Irish?
- What additional supports would be useful for the Irish-medium sector?

To have your say or to find out more, go to [gov.ie/POLG](http://gov.ie/POLG)

Tá an Roinn Oideachais ag tabhairt faoi chomhairliúchán poiblí ar mhaithe le polasaí nua a fhorbairt don oideachas lán-Ghaeilge lasmuigh den Gaeltacht.

Tugtar cuireadh duit do chuid tuairimí a chur in iúl ar cheisteanna ar nós:

- Conas is féidir an líon leanaí agus daoine óga atá ag freastal ar scoileanna lán-Ghaeilge a mhéadú?
- Conas is féidir an soláthar múinteoirí agus baill foirne eile, a bhfuil ardchaighdeán Gaeilge acu, a mhéadú?
- Cén tacaíochtaí breise a bheadh úsáideach don earnáil lán-Ghaeilge?

Chun do thuairimí a chur in iúl, nó chun tuilleadh eolas a fháil, téigh go [gov.ie/POLG](http://gov.ie/POLG)