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From: LEADER Policy and Operations Unit

To: All LAGs, Implementing Partners and Article 48 Checking Bodies

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Subject: Closing of the €13m Co-operation Measure

This Circular is being issued to advise that the €13m Co-operation Measure budget is exhausted.

Co-operation projects that are at Stages 1-10 on the LEADER IT System

For Co-operation projects that are at Stages 1-10 on the LEADER IT System, LAGs **must** move these projects to Stage 16 Withdrawn, on the LEADER IT System as the Co-operation Measure Call is now closed.

Note

As the €13m Co-operation Measure budget is now allocated, each LAG **must** ensure that there are **no** Co-operation projects left at Stages 1- 10 on the LEADER IT System after **31 January 2023**.

Projects will **not** be permitted to hold the place they held in the current Co-operation Measure Call should further funding become available. Should further funding become available where Co-operation projects are de-committed and/or come in under budget, it may be incorporated into a new Co-operation Measure Call for projects in 2023.

New Call for Co-operation projects post 2022

The Department will review the funding situation for Co-operation projects in 2023. If adequate funding becomes available to hold a new call for Co-operation projects, e.g.



where Co-operation projects are de-committed and/or come in under budget, the Department may decide to issue a **new call** for Co-operation project proposals in 2023.

Any queries in relation to the application of this Circular should be forwarded to cooperation1420@drcd.gov.ie .

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