



Ireland's EIA Conference 2026

Theme: EIA and Renewable Energy

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The Capability Challenge

- Policy ambition is accelerating
- Renewable deployment is scaling rapidly
- Workforce capability must scale with it



Why EIA Capability Matters

✓ EIA sits at the centre of project consent and delivery

✓ Quality and consistency influence timelines

✓ EIA strategically critical

What we observed in 2025

- Inaugural conference exceeded expectations
- Led to four specialist EIA webinars in 2025
- Clear signal: structured environmental learning is needed



Our role as Development Partners



Translate industry signals into structured learning pathways



Design industry led programmes in environmental disciplines



Partner with accredited bodies to ensure rigour and relevance



Support scalable workforce competence



Enabling the transition through Skills

- Supporting EIA and environmental upskilling across sectors
- Aligning skills provision with renewable deployment timelines
- Responding rapidly to emerging capability gaps





Micro-Credentials & Industry Trainings

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Introduction to Coastal and Marine Governance	Introduction to GIS for Offshore Wind	Offshore Wind Energy	Introduction to Metocean: Theory, Acquisition and Processing	Introduction to Programming for Metocean
Introduction to Project Management	Project Management & Development: Offshore Wind Development and Planning	Project Management & Development: Offshore Wind Construction + Installation	Environmental Impact Assessment for Marine Renewable Energy Developments	Certificate in the Safe Operation of Offshore High Voltage Power Systems
Geology and Geophysics for Offshore Wind	Wind Turbine Technician	Offshore Consenting Manager: Cumulative Effect + Proportionality	Offshore Consenting Manager: Environmental Net Gain	Fundamentals of Offshore Wind Energy
Ornithology for Offshore Wind	JNCC MMO Course	GWO BST Offshore	Master/OOW Less than 500gt <u>for ORE</u>	



Micro-Credentials & Environmental Training

Onshore Ornithology for Wind Farms	EIA Webinar Series
Landscape Impact Visual Impact Assessment	Environmental Essentials for Engineering Projects – 2026
EIA for Onshore Windfarms	Advanced Diploma in Environmental and Planning Law

Course Spotlight

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EIA for Marine Renewable Energy Developments

Orientation: 4th March 2026
Welcome Forum: 11th March 2026
Lectures Commence: 18th March 2026

Online Delivery
16 weeks, Part-Time
NFQ Level 9 / 10 ECTS

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-  **Application Deadline:**
March 6, 2026
-  **Start Date:**
March 18, 2026
-  **Duration:**
16 Weeks, Part-Time
-  **Certification/Award:**
Level 9 / 10 ECTS
-  **Delivery:**
Online
-  **Full Fee:**
1800
-  **Skillnet Fee:**
800

Micro-credentials Spotlight

- Landscape Visual Impact Assessment
- Ornithology and Onshore Wind Energy
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for Onshore Wind Farms

Courses Spotlight

- **Advanced Diploma in Planning and Environmental Law**
- **Certificate in Sustainability Strategy, Risk and Reporting**
- **EIA Webinar series**
- **Environmental Essentials for Engineering Projects**
- **Sustainability for Business Success**

Looking Ahead



Continue strengthening Ireland's environmental capability base



Expand structured EIA learning pathways



Work collaboratively to anticipate future skills needs.



Thank You!

- Proud to support Ireland's EIA Conference
- Wishing you a productive and engaging event

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