



Chief Executive Officer, Local Development Companies Network (LDCN)

THE ORGANISATION

The Local Development Companies Network (LDCN) is a leading force in community development across Ireland. This member-led organisation represents not-for profit Local Development Companies in every corner of the country with membership in excess of 45 companies. The LDCN is tasked with supporting these member companies in their collective endeavours. The LDCN is a unique strategic, development and delivery partner for government and agencies who wish to support local community development. The LDCN is dedicated to fostering social inclusion, combatting poverty, and building vibrant, resilient communities. The Board of the LDCN is now seeking a dynamic and experienced leader to guide the Network into an exciting new phase of growth and impact.

THE ROLE

Reporting directly to the Chairperson of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer will be at the helm of LDCN's strategic and operational management. This role is a unique opportunity for a visionary leader who is passionate about improving outcomes for communities facing significant challenges, especially those at risk

of poverty and social exclusion. The CEO will advocate for LDCN's mission, influence policy, and represent the Network across various forums, driving forward our ambitious strategic plans.

Location flexible: Option to be based at one of the LDCN member organisations across the country.

THE PERSON

We are looking for an inspiring leader with a proven track record in organisational management and experience with professional networks or membership associations. You should possess a deep understanding of policy development and a background in managing government and EU-funded programs. Your communication and advocacy skills will be critical in engaging with a wide range of stakeholders and promoting our vision of inclusive local development.

A high level of governance, finance, and change management skills is essential, alongside a strong commitment to the values of social justice and community empowerment.

To Apply:

Further information, including details on how to apply are available on www.ildn.ie

If you would like a confidential discussion about this opportunity, please contact Seán McDonagh, Partner at Lansdowne Executive Search, at sean.mcdonagh@lansdownesearch.ie or call 087 796 1062

Closing date for applications is Friday 6th June 2025.

LDCN is dedicated to equal opportunities and encourages applications from candidates of all backgrounds, in accordance with the Employment Equality Act.

Join us in making a lasting impact on communities throughout Ireland, supported by the Scheme to Support National Organisations funded by the Government of Ireland through the Department of Rural & Community Development.