

Investing in People and Ideas



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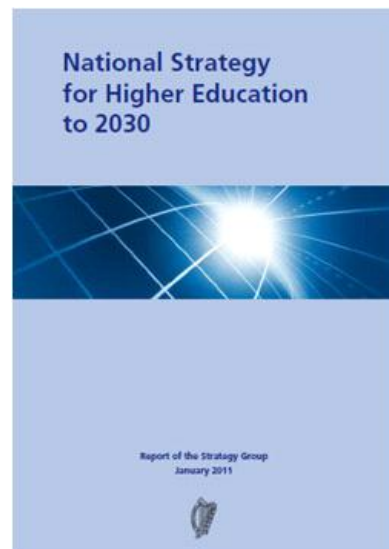
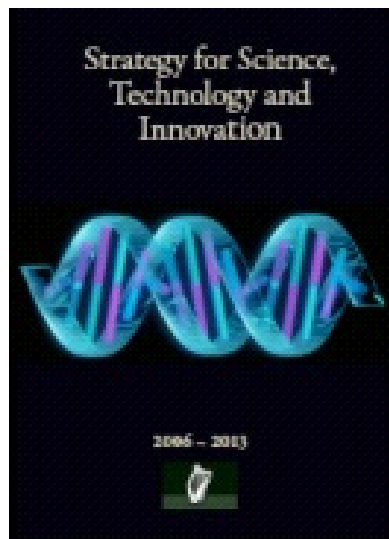
Dr Gemma Irvine
6th March 2013



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IRELAND

Research Policy Drivers – Building Capacity



WHY IRELAND?

Research Performers

7 Universities

14 IoTs

5 Colleges

2 Educational Institutions



Top 1% of
research
HEIs in
world in 18
fields of
research

Research Funders

SFI

HEA/PRTL

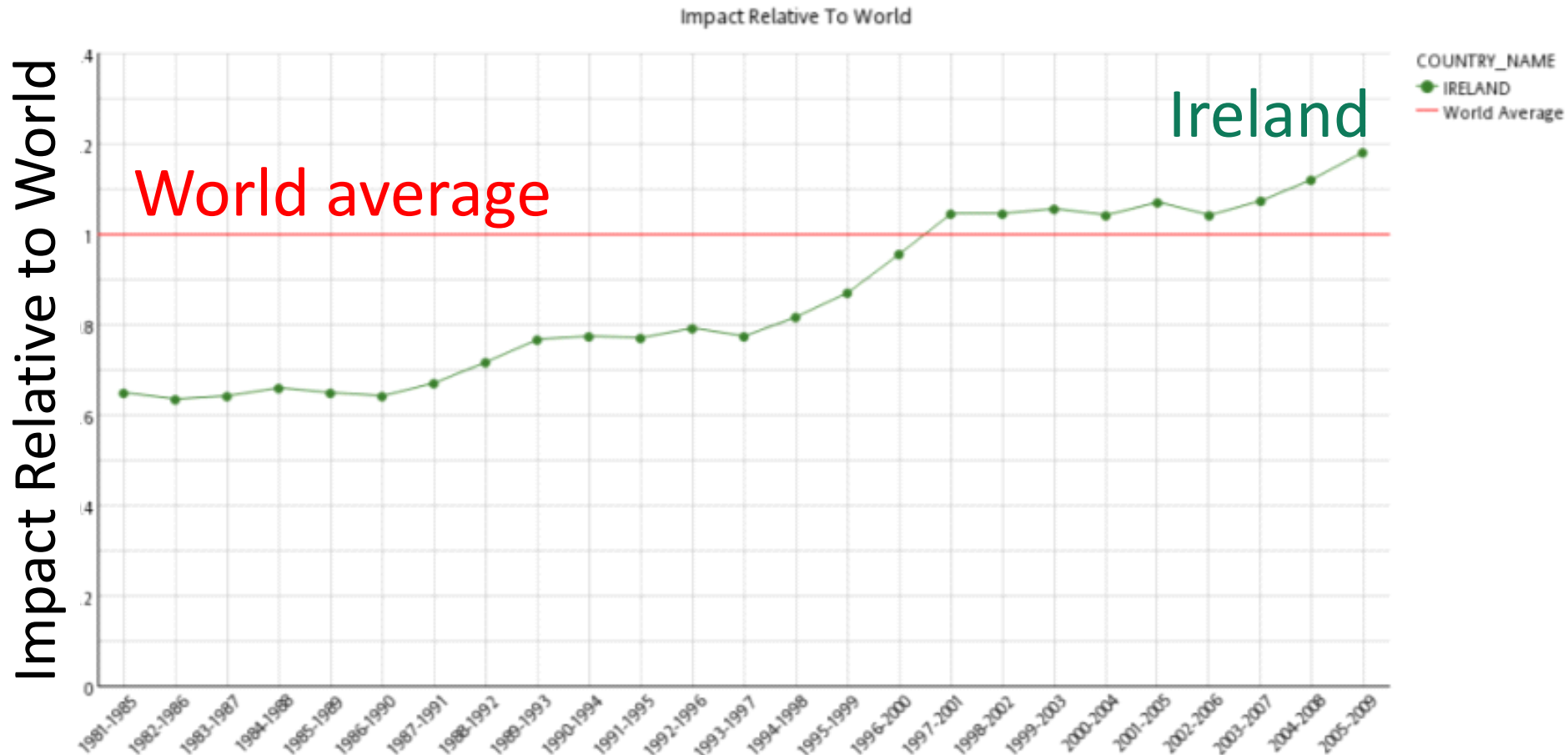
EI

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Public agencies
(Ag & Food, Env,
Marine, Energy)

Impact Relative to World



Two Councils become one



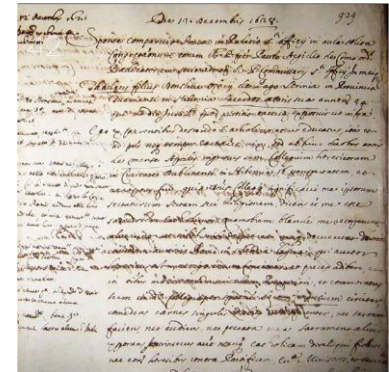
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Excellence

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All Disciplines



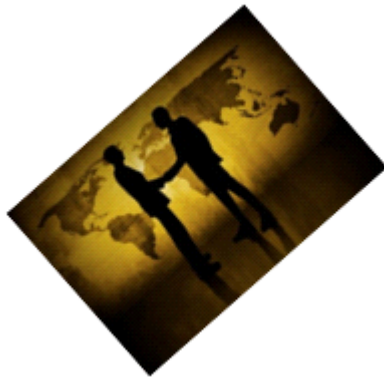


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A Celebration of Irish Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences





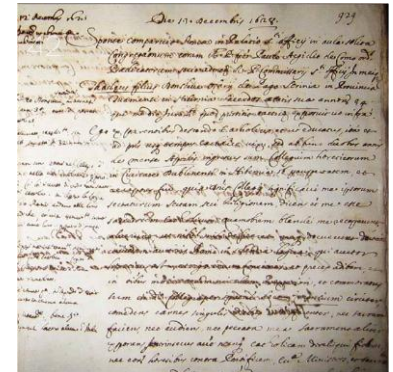
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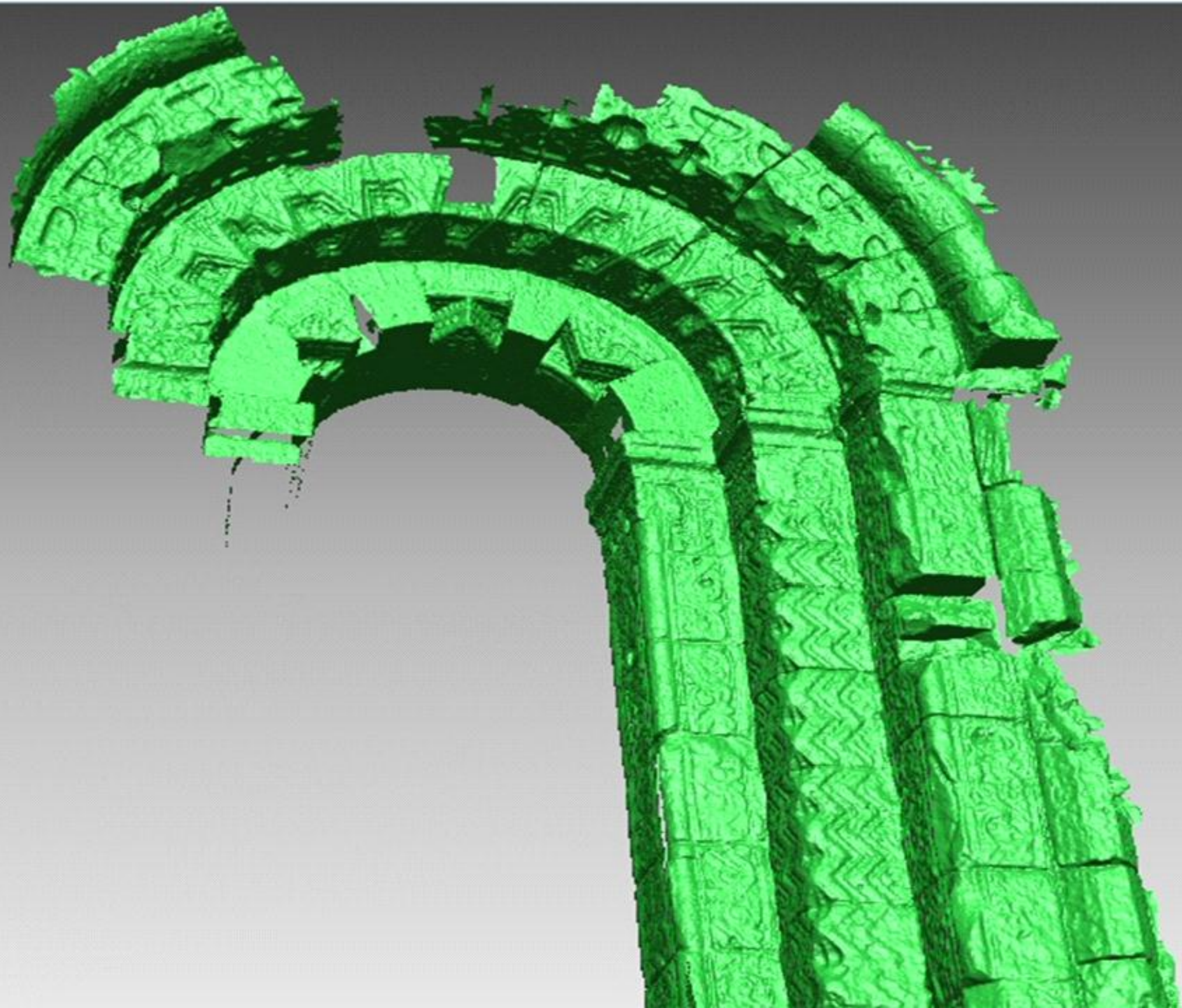
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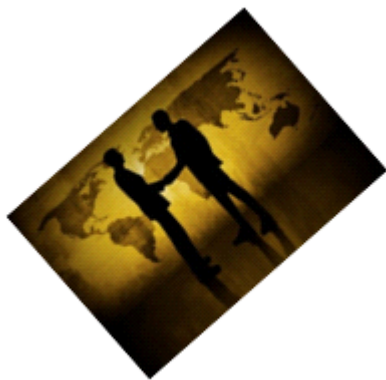
Individual researchers

Structure & transferable
skills

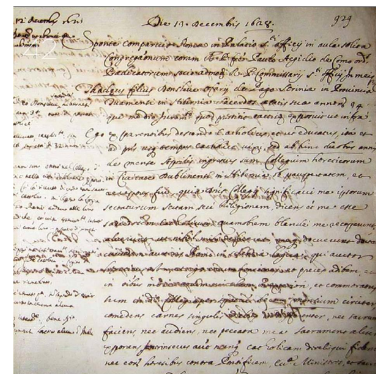
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Policy advisory
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IRC SCHEMES 2013

Postgraduate Scholarships	Government of Ireland	Deadline March 2013
	Enterprise Partnership Scheme	
	Andrew Grene Scholarship	
	Employment Programme	TBC
Postdoctoral Fellowships	Government of Ireland	Deadline March 2013
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Enterprise-Academia-Social Engagement through Researchers

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Answers That Matter.







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2 Calls – 1st Call closing early 2013: 20 awards
(10 non-academic awards).

– 2nd Call closing early 2014: 25 awards
(15 non-academic awards).

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EU Networks & Opportunities



NORFACE – Welfare States Futures Programme

- 15 Social Sciences Research Councils*
- Welfare in the 21st century
- At least 3 different eligible countries
- Projects < 3 years, < €1.5m budget
- PIs in Ireland must be full-time members of the academic staff
- DEADLINE 16th APRIL 2013
- WWW.NORFACE.ORG



NORFACE
ERA-NET

*Austria, Denmark, Estonia Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, Sweden and the United Kingdom.



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National Development Plan 2007 - 2013

Postdoctoral Fellowships

Postdoctoral (Empower,*Inspire and GOI Postdoctoral Fellowship)

Year	Applications	Awards	Success Rate (%)
2010	683	58	9
2011	476	71	15
2012	434	51	12
Total	1593	180	

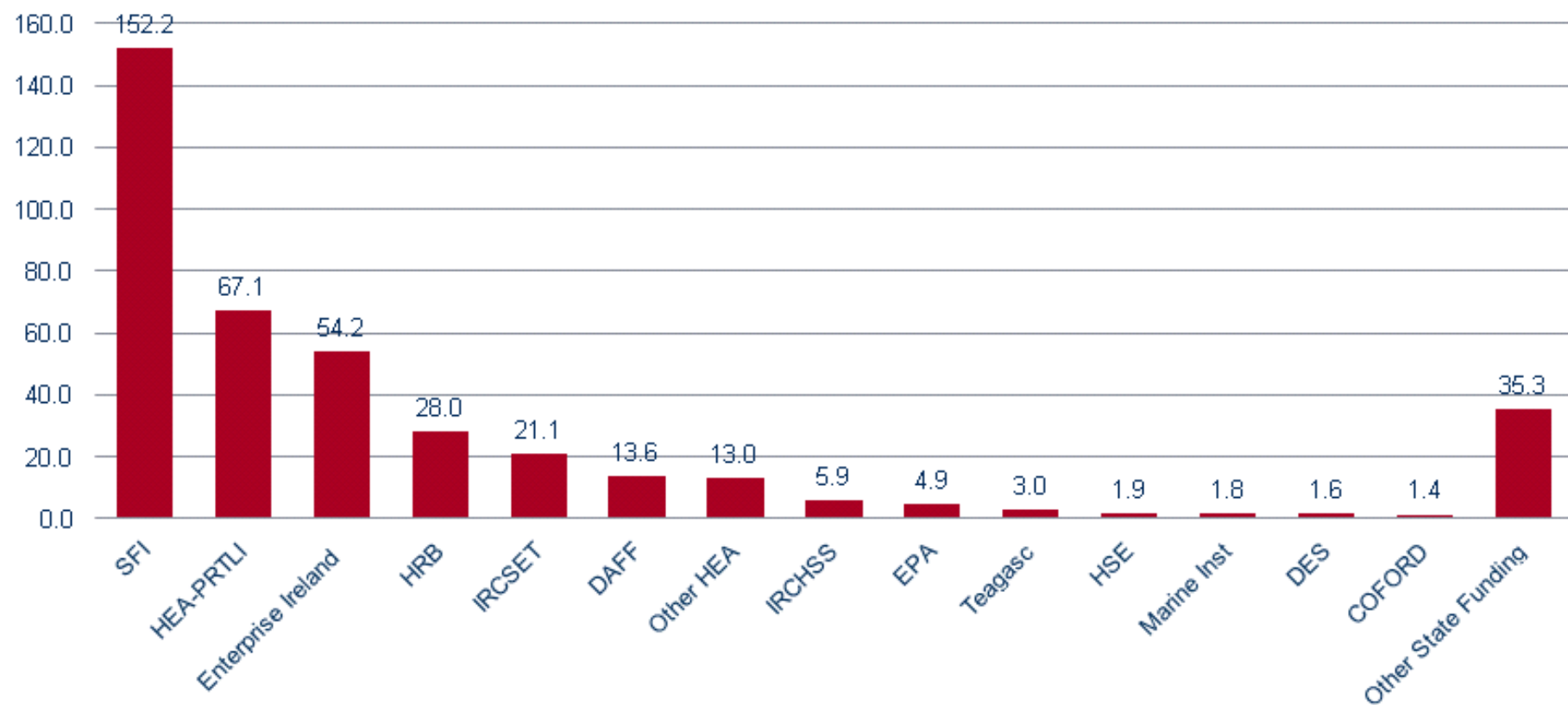
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Policy focus of funding agencies	Main Agency
Strategic Institutions - prioritisation and track record; collaborative networks and development of national hubs	PRTL
Physical Infrastructure incl. specialised facilities - all disciplines (Seed funding)	PRTL
Structured PhD programmes	Irish Research Council/ PRTL
Individual awards; postgraduate students + early stage career researchers) – all disciplines; targeted initiatives with employers	Irish Research Council
Areas of strategic interest (economic)– BIO, ICT, Energy, New Technology (Focus programmatic, teams and mid/late stage career researchers awards)	SFI
Focus on Industry facing collaboration – longer term research	SFI
Funds innovation partnerships HEIs/private sector – nearer market	EI
Funds commercialisation and knowledge transfer	EI
Funds strategic research areas (economic and public good) e.g. Health, Agriculture, Marine, Environment	HRB, DAFF, DOE
'Problem solving'/sectoral research	Others



Success in FP7

	Applicants in Submitted Proposals	Applicants in Successful Proposals	Success Rate %
Ireland	4,965	1,137	23.0%

	Funding Requested by Applicants (€)	Funding Granted to Applicants (€)	Success Rate %
Ireland	1,703,357,658	361,917,578	21.0%

***Source: FP7 Ireland import of eCORDA release
(post cleaning and addition of Marie Curie financial contributions)**



**Ireland's FP7 drawdown: €361.9M
1.49% of the available budget
i.e. above Ireland's target of 1.25% from 2007-2013**



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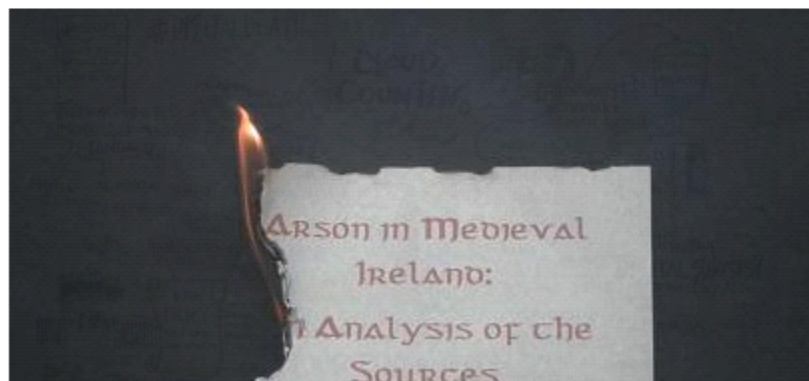
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