

Connected Hubs — Ireland's National Remote-Work Network for Rural Talent Retention

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Quality score: 86/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Ireland's Connected Hubs network grew from a 2019 pilot to over 400 co-working hubs in every county by 2025; the wider community-hub sector generates €1.8bn in annual economic value and 18,600+ jobs, and the model is now being piloted in France and Finland.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	3/3
Scalability	3/3
Sustainability / continuity	3/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	3/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-05

[Western Development Commission \(WDC\) & Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht](#) — accessed 2026-08-05

[Connected Hubs — About Connected Hubs](#) — accessed 2026-08-05

[The Wheel — CEAI research: hub sector worth €1.8bn annually](#) — accessed 2026-08-05

[Western Development Commission — Connected Hubs model expands across Europe](#) — accessed 2026-08-05

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