

Smart Dublin — open-innovation testbeds across the four Dublin local authorities

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Quality score: 71/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

Initiative of Dublin's four local authorities (since 2016) that runs real-world testbeds and SBIR challenge procurement so startups and SMEs pilot solutions to city problems. A 2018 SBIR round awarded ~€700,000 to 21 SMEs; districts include Smart Docklands and Smart D8.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-06-18

[Smart Dublin \(Dublin City Council, Fingal, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and South Dublin County Councils\)](#) — accessed 2026-06-18

[Silicon Republic — companies creating smart-city solutions receive €700,000](#) — accessed 2026-06-18

[bee smart city — Smart Dublin city portrait](#) — accessed 2026-06-18

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