



COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

Key Questions and Answers

Updated 20th March 2020

1. Fís Éireann/Screen Ireland Operations

Fís Éireann/Screen Ireland staff in both the Dublin and Galway offices will work remotely until Monday, 29th March. With a business continuity plan in place, the agency expects day-to-day operations to continue as normal wherever possible.

2. Application Deadlines

All funding application deadlines currently still apply, and are as set out on the Screen Ireland website.

3. Projects currently in Development or Production

All normal procedures continue to apply in respect of payment of invoices. Normal documentation, as set out in your funding contract, should be provided to facilitate any payments which will be processed on a weekly basis as normal.

Payments and invoices outside of production and development funding will also be processed as normal.

4. Projects due to go into production in April or May

Please stay in contact with your assigned Project Manager. Projects are being reviewed and assessed on a case-by-case basis with our co-financiers.



5. General Information

The Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection have implemented a range of measures to provide income support to people affected by COVID-19 (Coronavirus):

<https://www.gov.ie/en/campaigns/4cf0e2-covid-19-coronavirus-information-for-employers-and-employees-test/>

6. Third Party Organisations

a. Creative Europe “are applying the maximum flexibility we can in the implementation of the programme, within the limits of the applicable legal framework” https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/creative-europe/content/coronavirus-consequences-creative-europe-programme-and-related-activities_en

b. EU COMMISSION are taking measures to counter the economic impact of COVID-19:

“EU State aid rules enable Member States to help companies cope with liquidity shortages and needing urgent rescue aid. Article 107(2)(b) TFEU enables Member States to compensate companies for the damage directly caused by exceptional occurrences, including measures in sectors such as aviation and tourism”

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_459

7. Useful Links

- [Department of Health](#)
- [Health Protection Surveillance Centre](#)
- [Health Service Executive](#)
- [Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade](#)
- [WHO](#)
- [ECDC](#)
- [Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation](#)