

Looking to save on **business energy costs?**



Supports for small and
medium sized businesses

Did you know small and medium sized businesses in Ireland spend over €2 billion annually on energy?

The average SME can potentially reduce their energy bill by 20-30% by implementing energy efficiency measures.

Typically, 10% savings can be achieved with little or no capital cost.

Where do I start?

Step 1: Understand your energy use

Step 2: Create an energy action plan

Step 3: Complete an energy audit

Step 4: Invest in upgrades and renewables

Step 5: Monitor, track and report

SEAI has developed a series of practical training tools and supports to help businesses on their energy saving journey.

For more details

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or contact **01 8082100**

Education and Training

The SEAI Energy Academy is a free online training resource for businesses. The Energy Academy gives you access to high-quality, on-demand energy training. Discover the skills you need to start your energy efficiency journey. It is an ideal platform for all members of your business to upskill on energy efficiency and a great way of engaging staff.

The online modules and courses are quick and easy to complete and cover topics such as lighting, heating refrigeration and other topics as below:



**Energy and
Climate Change**



**Business Energy
Efficiency**



**Renewable
Technologies**



**Bill
Analysis**

For more info on the **SEAI Energy Academy**

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Learners will receive a certificate of completion from SEAI which demonstrates a company's commitment to educating staff about energy.

Introduction to Energy Management Training

To help you create an energy action plan SEAI offers *Introduction to Energy Management training*. This has been specifically developed for small and medium businesses and is particularly relevant to those with little or no prior knowledge of energy terminology, management or efficiency.

Through this training you will learn how to understand your energy bill, where in your business energy is being used, and what energy saving opportunities you should consider for the future. This training is a great first step on your energy efficiency journey.

Audit Supports

Support Scheme for Energy Audits

SEAI's Support Scheme for Energy Audits (SSEA) will offer SMEs a voucher* towards the cost of a high quality energy audit. In most cases, this will cover the total cost of the audit. Application to the scheme is easy, with automatic approval for eligible businesses.

Businesses applying to the scheme must be:

- ✓ **Non-obligated entities**
- ✓ **Tax compliant**
- ✓ **Registered in the Republic of Ireland**
- ✓ **Spend at least €10,000 on energy (exclusive of transport energy costs) per year at the site being audited**

* There is a limit of 1 audit voucher per Applicant/Company.

Additional Resources

Events

SEAI runs a full calendar of events and webinars, including conferences, briefings and workshops to help businesses learn about energy efficiency while networking with experts, suppliers, and other businesses. Visit www.seai.ie/events to learn more and register.

SEAI Energy Awards

These awards celebrate excellence in sustainable energy. Consider celebrating your achievements and apply for our annual SEAI Energy Awards.

Guides and Resources

Check out the SME Supports section of the website for a range of guides to help you on your energy efficiency journey. Workplace supports are available to motivate your colleagues to become more energy efficient.

To keep up to date with the latest events and resources **sign up to our newsletter.**

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Financial Supports

Once you have implemented good energy management practices, you can start considering energy efficiency upgrades and switching to renewable sources of energy. Our financial supports can assist with small and large-scale projects.

The Support Scheme for Renewable Heat is a financial support to replace fossil fuel heating systems with heat pumps or biomass / biogas alternatives.



The financial supports include:

- ✓ Operational support for a biomass or biogas heating system or an installation grant for a commercial heat pump.

Before you apply, learn more about renewable heating systems and how they can benefit your business.

The Non Domestic Microgen Grant – The Non Domestic Microgen Grant provides financial support for the installation of solar PV for your business. This technology reduces commercial electricity costs and carbon emissions, while enhancing a positive sustainability image.



The Community Grant supports energy efficiency community projects through capital funding, partnerships, and technical support. It is for businesses, homeowners, and community facilities of all sizes that come together and apply as a group for funding energy upgrades. A central Project Coordinator assists with the group's application.



SEAI EXEED (Excellence in Energy Efficiency Design) is for companies that are planning a major investment in facility upgrades. It is a certification program that helps businesses achieve optimum energy performance by applying a standardised approach to project design and implementation.



For more details on the available **SEAI business grants and supports**

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