

HITZARGIAK – Languages illuminating each other

Community development

GENERAL INFORMATION

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1	Name	Glór na nGael
2	Language	Irish
3	Working area (education, communication, teaching, leisure, administration...)	Community development, business development and Irish in the family
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DESCRIPTION OF GOOD PRACTICE

1	Description of the practices	Community development
2	Brief description of the practices	<p>In 2014 Glór na nGael, established in 1961, was unveiled as one of six national Lead Organisations for the Irish language. Each organisation was given responsibilities for different aspects of language support and promotion: Glór na nGael was given responsibility for promoting Language in the Family; Language in Business and Enterprise; and Language in Community Development.</p> <p>Established as a competition to recognise the work of communities and groups promoting Irish, the original founders Cumann na Sagart would certainly recognise that their project has remained true, more than half a century later, to the original objectives. Alongside the work of the annual community competition however the current Glór na nGael staff of 17 are involved in a wide range of projects which go beyond the competition and yet dovetail with it. Indeed that original competition with a prize fund of a hundred pounds now delivers more than €120,000 each year to the national competition and special competitions measuring the work of Third Level student groups and committees overseas in our Global Gaeilge competition.</p> <p>From the limited funding in 1961 of Cumann na Sagart and later Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge's own resources, Glór na nGael is today funded by Foras na Gaeilge with vital support also from the Department of Arts, Heritage and Gaeltacht; the Department of Educations and Science and The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and is the owner of an online shop www.udar.ie</p> <p>Todays Glór na nGael also places great store in building partnerships and in recent years has co-ordinated a project sponsored by COGG (an Comhairle um Oideachas Gaeltachta agus Gaelscolaíochta) of showcasing educational materials</p>

		to schools on a mobile unit which is available to schools and events all over the country.
		Glór an nGael is today tasked with responsibility for three areas of work: Language in the Family; Language in Business and Enterprise; and Language in Community Development. Details of that work, and with current projects and activities under each heading as well and information on our staff, our offices and most importantly our committees can be found in this site. We also offer to visitors the use of our archives, both photographic and textual, which includes a wide range of language plans and reports.
3	Precedents (reasons, needs...)	Funding is provided by Foras na Gaeilge as part of the national plan to develop the Irish language
4	Objectives	To support and develop Irish speaking communities
5	Main and close working areas	Education and campaigns to raise awareness
6	Collaborating entities and their working areas	Conradh na Gaeilge, Gaelscoileanna, Cumann na bhFiann, an tOireachtas, Gael-Linn and local Irish language community groups
7	Implementation period	2014 - 2018

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8	Expansion (number of influenced people, internal and external expansion...)	Until 2014 Glór na nGael employed seven people. That number has since grown to 19 and offices have been opened each of the four provinces of Ireland. Glór na nGael works with 250 local groups in Ireland and 25 overseas. This figure has grown by 175 in the course of the last ten years
9	Investment (economic, time, people...)	€1.4 million
10	Results	http://www.glornangael.ie/en/archive
11	Documentation, reference material	http://www.glornangael.ie/en/competitions
12	Presentation video	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3luWEjai_00
13	Other relevant information	http://www.glornangael.ie/en/events