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# Organisation Overview

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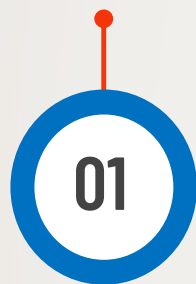


# About

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- Spectrum Research Centre (SRC) was established in 2017, as a not-for-profit research centre with a focus on education innovation in response to needs identified in rural communities in Ireland.
- We aim to support young academics to bring their research to life in a community setting.
- We further support a team of social researchers to undertake research that is pertinent to our local area, including research on community cohesion, loneliness and mental health.

Circular Economy,  
Sustainability and  
the SDGs

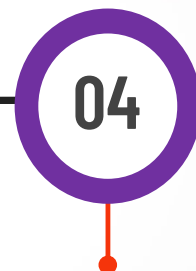


Business  
Development

Innovation  
Management



Integration and  
Inclusion



Labour Market  
Activation



Community and  
rural development



# Who We Work With

*Specifically, the organisation works to address the needs of 7 distinct target groups:*

**I. Established and new rural micro-enterprises and SMEs** with a particular emphasis on supporting nascent entrepreneurs of all ages in the cultural, digital, creative, green and tourism fields

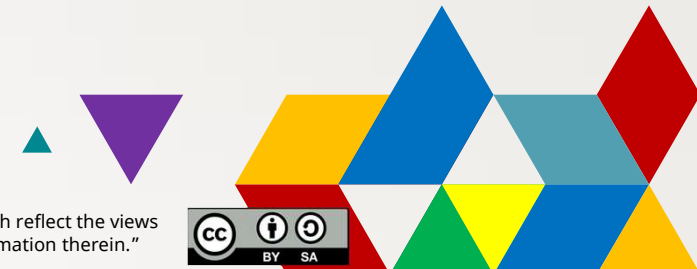
**II. Education providers, training institutes and regional authorities** seeking to promote balanced regional development priorities in the field of education, innovation, STEM and entrepreneurship

**III. Young people and Women** currently detached from the workforce either seeking a return to work or trying to build a new career progression pathway;



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**IV. Disadvantaged families** in rural and peri-urban communities who lack the access to key services and IT infrastructure to be fully active members of society

**V. Older workers** in vulnerable employments and senior citizens looking to remain active contributors to society and economy

**VI. The growing migrant communities** in small rural towns and villages seeking to build a new life

**VII. Educators** who are currently in service in the schools, VET, youth development sector; adult and community education sector; migrant support workers; human resource managers in rurally based SMEs.



# European Experience

Staff of Spectrum Research Centre have vast and diverse European experience across programmes such as:



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EuropeAid

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Citizens

Asylum  
Migration and  
Integration  
Fund

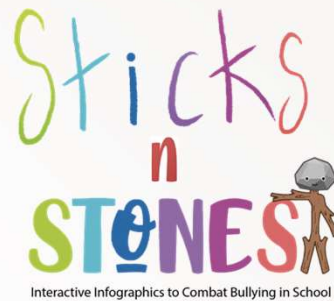
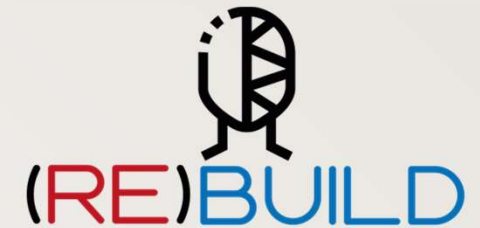
EAFRD (Rural  
Development)

ESF (Social  
Inclusion)



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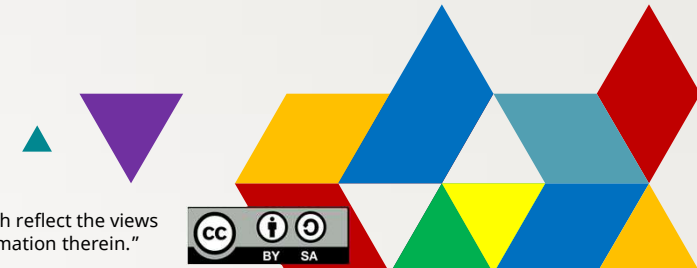
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