



Mid–West Regional Authority

SABER
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The Mid–West Region

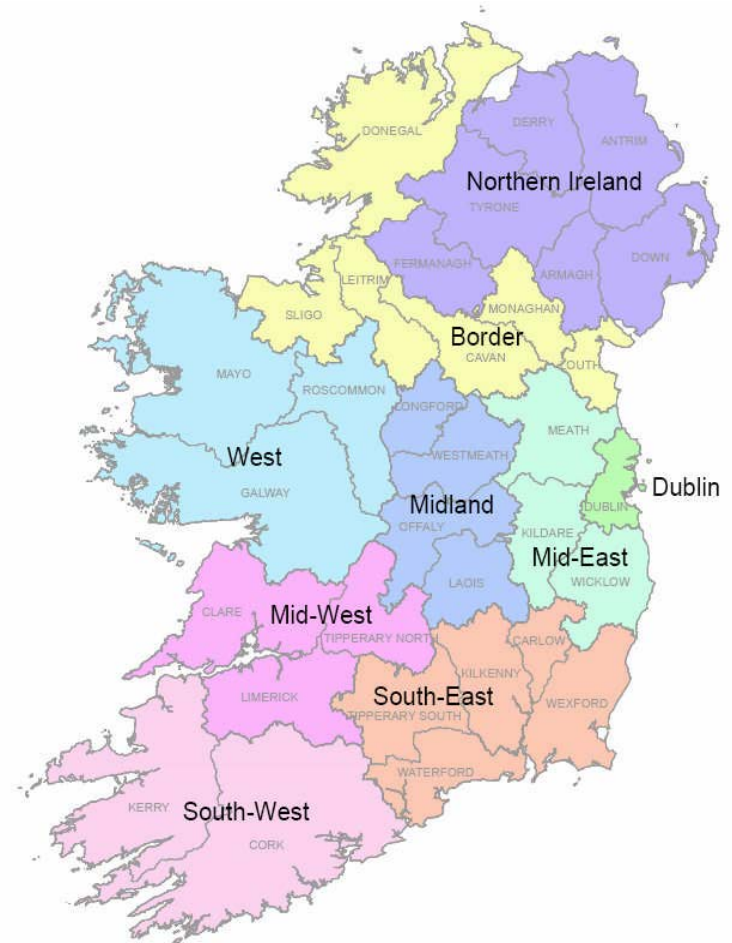


- ▶ Regional Authority – NUTS III;
- ▶ Region of approx. 371,800 population

Diverse region with a strong industrial/technological core & rural hinterland.

Main functions of MWRA:

1. Promote coordination of public services;
2. Implementation of regional planning guidelines;
3. Monitoring of structural funds (implementing authority).



MWRA Expertise



EU Projects :

- Ruraltech (promoting information society in rural areas)
- Citizen First project (improving public services delivery in the information society, lead partner)
- DIEGO project (eAccessibility of front-end government services, ongoing project)

Policy expertise:

- Rural Broadband Scheme;
- RPGs

Expected Impact



- ▶ Broadband connectivity has been established in the RPGs as one of the infrastructure priorities for the Region for development over the period from 2010–2022. It has been assigned as a priority due to its importance to stimulate economic growth in both the City core and in the rural environs of the region;
- ▶ The SABER network will provide evidence–based decision making in relation to planning for future broadband development in the Mid–West.



Thank you!

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