

Corporate Affairs Statement



**Bank of
Ireland**



Purpose

Bank of Ireland's purpose is to enable its customers, colleagues and communities to thrive.

Operating in a highly regulated environment, Bank of Ireland Group adheres to legislative and regulatory developments in the markets in which it operates. The Group actively engages in constructive dialogue on new legislative and regulatory developments with a range of stakeholders and believes it is important to fully engage on all issues which may impact on customer products and services, operations, or other developments which may have a material impact on the Group or its customers.

All Bank of Ireland Group colleagues – as well as representatives, affiliates and agents who operate on behalf of the Group – must adhere to a range of applicable codes including the Bank of Ireland Group Code of Conduct and Bank of Ireland Group Anti Bribery and Corruption Policy. For further information on these policies and statements, please click **here**.

Colleagues who advocate on behalf of the Group must also operate within the legislative requirements in place in each jurisdiction where the Group does business – these are set out below.

Our Approach to Corporate Affairs

At Bank of Ireland Group:

- ▶ We engage in constructive dialogue with our stakeholders which means listening as well as sharing our views.
- ▶ We act with integrity and are guided by our purpose and values as well as our legislative and regulatory obligations.
- ▶ We endeavour to serve our customers, and support the communities in which we live and work, through a range of programmes and initiatives that are governed by open and transparent processes.
- ▶ We engage directly with stakeholders and also through representative groups who share industry views.

Lobbying

In Ireland, the Regulation of Lobbying Act 2015 sets out the legal and compliance obligations for individuals and organisations seeking to engage in lobbying. All lobbying is captured and added to the Register of Lobbying, which is managed by the Standards in Public Office Commission.

To view all Bank of Ireland returns to the Irish lobbying register please visit the website [here](#).

In the UK, Bank of Ireland adheres to the [Transparency of Lobbying, Non-party Campaigning and Trade Union Administration Act 2014](#).

In the European Union, Bank of Ireland is listed on the [EU Transparency Register](#) and adheres to the EU Code of Conduct for organisations engaged in EU policy-making and implementation.

In the United States of America, Bank of Ireland adheres to The Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. § 1601) and the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007.

Industry Representative and Other Groups

Bank of Ireland is a member of a number of industry and business associations in the countries where we operate. Through these organisations we contribute to the development of sector-wide positions on a range of issues. The industry groups of which we are a member include:

- ▶ Banking and Payments Federation of Ireland (BPFI)
- ▶ Irish Business and Economic Federation (Ibec)
- ▶ UK Finance
- ▶ Confederation of British Industry (CBI)
- ▶ Institute of Bankers (IOB)
- ▶ Bank of Ireland is a founder member of the Irish Banking Culture Board (IBCB)
- ▶ Bank of Ireland UK is a member of the Banking Standards Board (BSB)

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