

Coillte CEO Imelda Hurley Reflects On Winning 'Businessperson Of The Year Award' At The Business And Finance Awards 2022

- This award honours people who have had a significant impact and achievement in Irish business
- Imelda described on the night as 'an advocate for sustainable business practices and a leader in sustainability discussions'



Photographed at the 2022 Business & Finance Awards in association with KPMG: Imelda Hurley, recipient of the Business Person of the Year Award presented by Seamus Hand, Managing Partner of KPMG Ireland (right) with Ian Hyland, Business & Finance.

December 2022: Coillte CEO Imelda Hurley was the recipient of the coveted Businessperson of the Year award at the 48th Business and Finance Awards, in

association with KPMG, held on 1st December 2022 at the Convention Centre in Dublin. This award honours people who have had a significant impact and achievement in Irish business.

“I was extremely proud and honoured to receive the Businessperson of the Year award,” says Imelda Hurley, CEO Coillte. “These awards have been recognising business leaders in Ireland for 48 years, so it is a great honour to be amongst so many inspirational leaders.”

Imelda sees her award as a win for the Coillte team: “While this is a personal honour, I accepted this award on behalf of the entire team at Coillte who I have the privilege to lead every day. 2022 has been a year in which we have achieved so much as an organisation including: the launch of our Greener Future for All forestry strategic vision, the launch of Beyond the Trees Avondale and winning Tourism and Hospitality Project of the Year Award and so much more. We have achieved all this while remaining focused on our day-to-day operations.

“In the coming years, forestry will play a key role in our economy and society as we deal with the many challenges posed by the climate emergency. Coillte’s purpose is to manage the state forests on behalf of the people of Ireland and we are looking forward to 2023 and beyond as we continue to deliver the multiple benefits of our forests to Irish society.

You can read more about Coillte’s strategic vision [here](#).

About Coillte

Coillte, Ireland’s state forestry company, is responsible for managing 440,000 hectares of primarily forested lands. It is the nation’s largest forester and producer of certified wood, a natural, renewable and sustainable resource. Coillte is also the largest provider of outdoor recreation space in Ireland, it enables wind-energy on the estate, processes forestry by-products and undertakes nature rehabilitation projects of scale. Coillte delivers the multiple benefits of forestry, including forests for climate, for nature, for wood and for people. For further information visit www.coillte.ie.