



**COILLTE PREMIUM PARTNERS**



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## WHAT IS IT?

Coillte Premium Partners is an innovative partnership product, which gives forest owners the opportunity to earn an annual, fixed income from their forests while retaining ownership of their land.

## WHY?

Once forestry premium payments expire, landowners face a sudden decline in income and a long wait until their forest generates income from timber harvesting.

Coillte's Premium Partners makes the financial 'bridge' from forestry premiums to harvest, ensuring the landowner has access to ongoing annual payments throughout the full crop rotation.

## WHO IS IT FOR?

Coillte Premium Partners is for landowners with high quality, commercial forest crops where forestry premium payments have expired, or will shortly expire. It is suitable for crops of approximately 20 years of age, which are Yield Class 20 or above and are predominantly Sitka spruce. The commercial portion of the crop should ideally be 10ha or greater.

## OUR PROMISE

Through Coillte Premium Partners you will have access not only to a state-owned, financially robust company but to a trusted partner that has an extensive network of local, professional forest managers that manage 440,000ha of forested land. Coillte has been managing Irish state-owned forests since its inception in 1989 and currently harvests and sells over 2.5M m<sup>3</sup> of timber every year.

Through direct access to Coillte's strategic forest management expertise, operational capacity, planning systems, certification and sales channels, Coillte Premium Partners will:

- Optimise the management of the crop including thinning, roading (subject to grant availability), and harvesting
- Maximise the value of the timber by giving access to certification schemes and established sales channels
- Support the future growth of private forests through the mobilisation of this timber resource
- Support the development and growth of the export-led timber processing sector
- Create new economic value in the rural economy

## BENEFITS TO YOU

- Coillte Premium Partners will provide the landowner with an annual, fixed payment of €510/ha for 20 years on the commercial portion of the crop and an agreed lump sum at clearfell which will be determined by the productivity and age of the crop
- On a 12ha commercial forest this would provide secure payments of €6,120 every year until clearfell, with a further lump sum payment at clearfell
- The value of the crop will be maximised through certification and improved access to markets
- Following harvest, Coillte will replant the land before returning it to the care of the landowner
- Throughout the partnership, the land remains the property of the landowner while Coillte will have a lease and rights to the timber crop

## HOW IT WORKS

Our team will take you through the details of the partnership working closely with you from your first phone call.

### WE WILL:

- Carry out an initial assessment of the suitability of the crop
- Carry out a full inventory and site survey, mapping the commercial area of the suitable crop
- Collaborate with you to strategically manage all aspects of the forest crop in the same manner as the rest of Coillte's forest estate
- Deliver on financial agreement
- Following clearfell, replant your land, establishing a truly sustainable forest resource

## CONTACT US

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