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Here we have outlined where there is support available for business in terms of both financial and business assistance.

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Source	Website	Assistance Available
Bord Bia	www.bordbia.ie	Provides marketing assistance to Irish food and drink manufacturing companies
Business Innovation Centres	www.corkbic.ie www.dbic.ie www.westbic.ie www.sebic.ie	Information on business innovation centre services for start-up & developing businesses
Bord Iascaigh Mhara	www.bim.ie	Provides advisory, technical, marketing and training supports to all sectors of the Irish seafood industry.
City & County Enterprise Boards	www.enterpriseboards.ie	Supports micro enterprise development throughout Ireland. Offer grant finance for businesses employing fewer than 10 people.
Enterprise Ireland	www.enterpriseireland.com	Responsible for the development and promotion of the indigenous business sector Offers a wide range of grants covering areas such as business development, research and development, and marketing.
EU	http://cordis.europa.eu	CORDIS (Community Research & Development Information Service) provides information on funding opportunities in research and development programmes of the European Union.
Fáilte Ireland	www.failteireland.ie	Provides strategic and practical support to develop and sustain Ireland as a high quality and competitive tourist destination.
FAS	www.fas.ie	Provides a wide range of training and employment support.
InetrTrade Ireland	www.intertradeireland.com	Responsibility by both Ireland and UK Governments to boost North/South economic co-operation to the mutual benefit of Northern Ireland and Ireland. Provides support through programmes, research, networks and financial assistance.

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Shannon Development	www.shannonindustry.ie	Government owned regional development company dedicated to promoting and developing the Shannon region of Ireland.
The Digital Hub	www.thedigitalhub.com	The Digital Hub is an initiative of the Irish government to create an international digital enterprise area in Dublin city.
Teagasc	www.teagasc.ie	Teagasc is the agriculture and food development authority in Ireland
Udarás na Gaeltachta	www.udaras.ie	Development agency responsible for economic, social and cultural development of the gaeltacht area.

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Useful Contacts for Business

Source	Website	Details
Central Statistics Office	www.cso.ie	Irish official statistics
Chambers of Commerce	www.chambersireland.ie	Information on local chambers and contact networks
Companies Registration Office	www.cro.ie	Company & business name registrations
Department of Enterprise, Trade & Innovation	www.entemp.ie	Info on: consumer protection, work permits, employment laws, competition laws, etc.
ESRI	www.esri.ie	Economic and social research institute
ESB	www.esb.ie	Electricity supply and conservation information
FAS	www.fas.ie	Training & employment services
FORFAS	www.forfas.ie	Policy advisory and co-ordination board for industrial development and science and technology in Ireland.
IBEC	www.ibec.ie	Employers representative body
IDA Ireland	www.idaireland.com	IDA Ireland Irish Government agency responsible for attracting internationally mobile industrial investment projects
Irish Government	www.irlgov.ie	Economic and social research institute
ISME	www.isme.ie	Small & medium enterprise association
Patents Office	www.patentsoffice.ie	Patenting information
Plato Ireland	www.plato.ie	SME development network
Revenue Commissioners	www.revenue	Tax information and registration
Small Firms Association	www.sfa.ie	Business support forum for owner managers

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