

Science Foundation Ireland

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR Science Week 2021 – Science Show Creatives

Closing Date for Queries:

12 noon, 14 July 2021

Closing Date for Submission of Quotes:

12 noon, 19 July 2021

Science Foundation Ireland

Science Foundation Ireland funds oriented basic and applied research in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) which promotes and assists the development and competitiveness of industry, enterprise, and employment in Ireland. The Foundation also promotes and supports the study of, education in, and engagement with STEM and promotes an awareness and understanding of the value of STEM to society and in particular to the growth of the economy.

Science Week

One of the major initiatives of Science Foundation Ireland is the organisation and coordination of Science Week in November each year. Science Week 2021 will take place from 7 to 14 November. Following the success of moving the festival online in 2020, Science Week will continue to grow its digital offering in 2021 and beyond.

Science Week 2021 Underlying Theme

The theme for 2021 will be Science Week – Creating Our Future, directly supporting the national research conversation. 'Creating Our Future' is a conversation with between the people of Ireland, to gather your ideas on what problems you'd like research and innovation to deal with, to create a better future for all. This conversation will talk about what is already happening but, crucially, it will ask what research questions and challenges are most important to the Irish public. Creatives are encouraged to consider how to include this as part of their submission. More information can be found on CreatingOurFuture.ie.

Science Shows

Following the success of the digital shows in 2020 and feedback from participants Science Foundation Ireland are looking to continue to deliver Science Shows digitally in 2021. Science Foundation Ireland seeks expressions of interest for shows that will entertain and educate Primary and Secondary school audiences and also would be suitable for a general family audience. We are keen to receive novel and engaging expressions of interest and for this to be a collaborative process. Science Foundation Ireland can work with you to adapt the show for digital delivery and/or pair the creator with a STEM contributor as needed. Each show will be pre-recorded, be 30-40 minutes in length and made available for audiences to watch online throughout the duration of Science Week 2021 and beyond. We are keen that each show will be accessible to everyone so that any activities can be adapted for replicating in a classroom or at home, i.e. shows will not require a specific kit or costly materials.

In addition to the Science Shows, Science Foundation Ireland will also host a live programme each day. Part of this will be a live in-studio bitesize (10-minutes max) feature of the pre-recorded show. This will be filmed live in Dublin during w/c 8 November.

The successful Science Shows will be recorded in Dublin between September and October. Science Foundation Ireland will lead on and provide the video capture of the shows, working with a video production company.

Science Foundation Ireland has identified five key themes which the shows will explore. The themes are broad and SFI invite applicants to think creatively about these themes and how they can incorporate in the show. The show can be based on something you have done before but would ask that it is adapted to our themes.

Key Themes:

- Nature
- Technology
- Smashing Stereotypes
- Farming/Food
- Future Cities

Deadline for Receipt of Quotations

The quotation submission should be emailed to michael.peers@sfi.ie before the deadline of 12 noon 19 July 2021. It is the supplier's responsibility to ensure that quotes are received in time. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Contact Information

Queries may be sent via email to michael.peers@sfi.ie by 12 noon 14 July 2021.

Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty

Science Foundation Ireland is committed to Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty to eliminate discrimination, promote equality and protect human rights, and are looking to commission Science Shows that represent the diversity within Ireland and science.

Environmental, Social and Labour Law

In the performance of any Services Contract awarded, the successful Creative and their Subcontractors (if any), shall be required to comply with all applicable obligations in the field of environmental, social and labour law that apply at the place where the services are provided, that have been established by EU law, national law, collective agreements or by international, environmental, social and labour law listed in Schedule 7 of the Regulations.

Data Protection

The successful Creative must be in a position to comply with all directions of the Contracting Authority with regard to the use and application of all and any Confidential Information or data (including personal data as defined in the Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2003, as may be updated or replaced); and to comply with the requirements of Data Protection law and such guidelines as may be issued by the Data Protection Commissioner from time to time, including but not being limited to:

Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2003 as may be updated or replaced and All EU requirements arising (including, but not limited to, provisions relating to the processing of data, ensuring the security of data, data retention and restrictions on transfers of data abroad) and any legislation and regulations implementing same.

Children First Act 2015

The Science Show Creative shall comply with all applicable child welfare law. To the extent that the Services involve the Science Show Creative providing a relevant service within the meaning of section 2 of the Children First Act 2015 as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time (the "CFA"), the Science Show Creative shall comply with the requirements of the CFA. The Science Show Creative further agrees that SFI shall be entitled to seek assurances from the Science Show Creative regarding its compliance with the CFA from time to time and that the Science Show Creative shall cooperate fully with all such requests See <http://www.tusla.ie/children-first> for further information.

Please complete the following form and provide as much detail as possible:

Science Show Details

If you can offer more than one show, please complete a separate form for each show on offer.

Name of Science Show	
Name of performer(s) / workshop facilitator(s)	
Describe your Science Show	
How does the show relate to one or more of the Key Themes?	
Can the show be captured in one day of filming?	
Requirements for filming (access to water, outdoors, etc.)	
Can the Science Show be adapted for a 10-minute bitesize version to feature live during Science Week? If yes, please let us know your current availability on w/c 8 November.	
Does the Science Show require Science Foundation Ireland to provide a STEM contributor?	
What audience is the Science Show aimed at? (primary, secondary, general public etc)	
All Inclusive Rates (€) incl. VAT if applicable (to include show performance, travel to Dublin, materials are needed for the show capture, bitesize workshop for Science Week 2021 etc. But video production is covered by Science Foundation Ireland)	
Additional information (link to video clips etc.)	