

Domains proposed for harmonising mode under North-South Ministerial Council

Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment

- Employment Services/Training for the unemployed, in time under single island Board
- credit union regulation
- occupational health and safety
(see paragraph 31 of main Memorandum, as regards Inward Investment).

Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation

- Other aspects of sport (apart from high performance sports with 32 Co. Governing bodies), including possible establishment of a single Sports Council
- Tourism training.

Department of the Environment of Local Development

- Development of physical planning and development framework for island of Ireland
- Road safety
- Driver testing
- Vehicle testing.

Department of Arts, Heritage, Gaeltacht and the Islands

- Digital terrestrial television - possibility of a multiplex for island
- Promotion and regulation of local radio
- Promotion of the film industry, including possibility of a single Film Board
- common support services for "national" museums and galleries and for local museums
- Wildlife and biodiversity protection

Department of Agriculture and Food

- Implementation of EU CAP market regimes

- Rural development and Leader programmes, in time under single funding/administration agency
- Development and regulation of bloodstock and greyhound industries.

Department of the Marine and Natural Resources

- Aquaculture
- Promotion and marketing of fish, including possibility of a single island board
- Fish health
- Sea rescue and navigational aids (East-West aspects also arise)
- Promotion and regulation of oil, gas and minerals exploration, onshore and offshore
- Coastal zone management
- Sea fisheries.

Department of Public Enterprise

- telecommunications regulation
- Aviation regulation including air traffic control
- Meteorology
- Possible establishment of an all-island transmission grid for electricity and concomitant island regulatory regime
- Possible gas interconnection and concomitant island regulatory regime
- Energy efficiency/conservation and renewable energy, including possibility, after an interval, of an island Energy Centre
- Possible island basis for regulation of Road Haulage and Private bus Operations.
- Rail Safety

Department of Health and Children

- Health promotion

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- Health research (insofar as not covered under Public Health, designated for executive mode)
- Professional training.

Department of Education and Science

- Promotion of education services abroad
- Development of a single technology and development policy for further education
- Joint planning for Third Level Education
- Development of all-island education for mutual understanding
- Human rights education
- Common policies to combat educational disadvantage.

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