



**Debt and Development Coalition Ireland  
Development Education Officer  
Job Description**

*Note: The position will run from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 until 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018. An extension beyond this timeframe may be possible depending on funding.*

The main task of the Development Education Officer will be to take the lead in the planning and delivery of two DDCI projects: one, a Worldwide schools-funded project, 'Grassroots to Government: Embedding financial justice in the Leaving Cert curriculum', the other, an Irish-Aid funded project that will target adult learners and pre-service teachers.

The WWGS project will support the roll-out, trial and finalisation of a curriculum-focused development education resource which supports teachers in the financial justice aspects of Leaving Certificate Politics and Society, as well as adapting a version of the resource to maximise curriculum links to Leaving Certificate Geography, based on needs identified by teachers, and created through a process which supports teachers' own learning and confidence in delivering the financial justice components of these curricula. The Irish Aid project will be based on delivering and adapting existing DDCI training materials to diverse groups of adult learners, engaging them on global financial inequality with a focus on how to critically engage and take action. The post will report to, and work closely with, the Director.

**Salary scale:** From € 30,038 – 35,163 (pro rata)

The officer will carry out tasks including:

1. Finalising and adapting an existing draft resource specification
2. Organise and facilitate group workshops with teachers

3. Based on teacher feedback adapt, finalise and expand, as appropriate, ideas for methodologies and tools which teachers have trialled in their own classrooms
4. Engage with the advisory group to ensure a teacher-focused approach and strong links to curriculum and learning outcomes
5. Provide ongoing support to teachers
6. Produce a specification for a LC Geography resource to support teachers in areas identified through the project
7. Organise events and conduct trainings with adult learners
8. Ensure robust systems of evaluation are in place for DDCI's Development Education work to maximise our ability to measure impact and report effectively on our work
9. Support DDCI's wider Development education programme, ensuring the work of the organisation is of a high standard

### **Requirements**

The successful candidate should possess:

- Energy and passion for global justice work.
- Strong commitment to DDCI's core values and mission statement
- Excellent understanding of global relationships from a justice perspective.
- Excellent communications skills and writing skills, and creativity in approaching her/his work.
- Excellent team worker, able to lead in facilitation and group work contexts
- Excellent organisational skills for planning and delivering own programme of work.
- Flexibility and willingness to work evening and weekends and to travel in Ireland as required

### **Qualifications Required:**

- Relevant third level qualification, ideally with specific emphasis on development education.
- Knowledge of the secondary school curriculum
- Experience of working with teachers
- At least 2 years experience in development education
- Proven writing skills

**Desirable:**

- Subject specific knowledge, ideally of both politics and geography, or at least one of the two
- experience within the NGO sector focusing on informal adult education.
- experience of writing education materials for the adult informal sector.
- Qualification in development related studies.
- Campaigning experience on global justice issues.

**About DDCI**

Debt and Development Coalition Ireland (DDCI) is a global financial justice organization, and a national network of more than 40 organisations. We want a fair and just society for everyone, and a financial system that serves the needs of all people, rather than just some people, and which does not take the planet for granted.

We seek to empower people in Ireland to take informed action for greater economic justice in Ireland and in the Global South.

We deliver high-quality critical development education across Ireland about global financial injustice in the adult informal, formal post-primary and further education sectors.

We critically engage people to understand the structural causes of global inequality and power relations. Tackling inequality and achieving a fairer society requires critiquing power structures in our society and globally - highlighting the causes of inequality, rather than the symptoms.

For more information about DDCI see: [www.debtireland.org](http://www.debtireland.org)

**TO APPLY**

Please send your CV and a cover letter to Maeve Bateman at [maeve@debtireland.org](mailto:maeve@debtireland.org) by **11<sup>th</sup> August 2017** The cover letter should outline how you think your experience to date would support you in carrying out the role.

We hope to hold interviews on **17<sup>th</sup> August 2017**.