



## Free Events in Offaly

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### 05 March

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12.00 noon  
– 5.00pm

**IBYE National Final & Awards Ceremony  
(booked out)**

Google Headquarters

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### 06 March

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2.00pm –  
5.00pm

[Innovate your Way to Success](#)

Speakers at this event include Hugh Henry, Head of Innovation and R&D, Bord na Mona (pictured), representatives from the Patents Office, Enterprise Ireland and the Local Enterprise Office. There will be an opportunity to meet the experts, network with Offaly innovators and to visit stands. Booking essential.

The Junction, Unit 19H Axis  
Business Park



7.00pm –  
10.00pm

[Start your Own Business Course](#)

This 6 evening course is designed for anyone who is thinking of setting up their own business. It covers all stages of preparing for a business start up and course topics include market research, business structure, business planning, sources of assistance, taxation issues, promoting your product/service, managing your business. Trainer: Leo Gibson, Mentor Consultants & Training Services Ltd. Fee of €70 can be waived if participant is in receipt of certain Social Welfare payments. Booking essential.

Town Hall, Edenderry



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## 07 March

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8.00am –  
9.30am

**[Get your Business Brexit Ready – InterTrade Ireland Event](#)**

InterTradeIreland is holding a free breakfast briefing event for SMEs in the Longford, Westmeath, Offaly and Laois areas. The event will focus on some of the questions you may already have on business planning, currency hedging, innovation, diversification and building cross-border relationships. A new range of Brexit supports will also be announced by InterTradeIreland on the day.

The Radisson Hotel, Athlone



12.00 noon –  
2.00pm

**[Celebrating Female Entrepreneurs – AIB & Tullamore & District Chamber of Commerce](#)**

Networking lunch with speakers including Anne Cusack, Critical Health Ltd, Kilbeggan. A great opportunity to network with other women in business locally. Pre-booking essential - Contact us to find out more ([geraldine.beirne@leo.offalycoco.ie](mailto:geraldine.beirne@leo.offalycoco.ie))

Tullamore Court Hotel



2.00pm –  
5.00pm

**[Outreach Office – Meet a LEO Advisor](#)**

The Local Enterprise Office (LEO) in Offaly is the first stop shop for new, existing and expanding entrepreneurs and business owners. Book a meeting to see how the Local Enterprise Office can help you. Booking essential.

Town Hall, Edenderry



8.00pm-  
10.00pm

**[Expand your Horizons 2017](#)**

Teagasc and the National Rural Network are jointly organizing an innovative evening seminar, Expand your Horizons 2017. The purpose of this seminar is to provide information on the range of agencies, services, funding and training opportunities in rural Ireland. LEO Offaly will be exhibiting at this event. For more information about the seminars, contact Barry Caslin [barry.caslin@teagasc.ie](mailto:barry.caslin@teagasc.ie) or James Claffey [james@nationalruralnetwork.ie](mailto:james@nationalruralnetwork.ie)

Tullamore Court Hotel,  
Tullamore



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## 08 March

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9.30am –  
4.30pm

### [Finance Mentoring Clinic \(Sarah McGuinness\)](#)

Book a one to one mentoring session with Sarah McGuinness, SM Accounting to discuss book-keeping, accounting allowable expenses, VAT, employer taxes and tax obligations for sole traders, limited company or partnerships. Sessions are 50 minutes in duration and must be pre-booked. Booking essential.

Offaly County Council Offices,  
Tullamore



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## 09 March

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9.30am –  
2.30pm

### **Student Enterprise Programme County Final**

This event is open to the public, who are welcome to view stands and supports our entrepreneurs of the future. The awards are open to the public at 1.30pm with the announcement of winners at 2.00pm.

Tullamore Court Hotel



3.00pm –  
5.00pm

### [2 Hour master class on the key factors to grow a business](#)

The speaker is Blaise Brosnan and the theme of this interactive workshop is “How can you become a more Commercially Successfully Business?”. Participants will benefit from the breath of Blaise’s practical business experiences. Booking essential

Tullamore Court Hotel



6.30pm –  
9.00pm

### [National Enterprise Awards County Final 2017](#)

Blaise Brosnan is guest speaker at this event. His presentation will be built around the message of his book “I Dare You --- Win the Debate in Your Own Head”. The county winner of the Enterprise Awards will go forward to represent Offaly in the national finals in May 2017. Come along! This event is open to anyone who would like to attend and will be a very interesting evening. Booking essential.

Tullamore Court Hotel



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## 10 March

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10.00am – 1.00pm **[Outreach office, Clara](#)**

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Clara Library



11.00am – 1.00pm **[Trading on line Workshop \(Trainer: Aspire\)](#)**

Small businesses throughout Ireland can apply to the government for digital vouchers to help their businesses trade online. The objective of the scheme is to help small businesses grow their sales, exports and ultimately jobs. Businesses can apply for grants of up to €2,500 (matched funding). This information session is designed to help you get an application ready for the Trading Online Voucher Scheme. After this session you will have a clearer picture of what's involved in running an eCommerce website, the practicalities, logistics and potential issues that may arise. Booking essential.

Tullamore Court Hotel



11.00am – 2.00pm **[Outdoor Networking Event](#)**

Croghan Hill Guided Walk/Networking – See your Business from a Different Perspective! Booking essential. Event concludes with lunch in Castle Barna Golf Club, Daingean.

Croghan Hill Stables



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ALL EVENTS ARE FREE TO ATTEND

***For all information, events and online bookings please visit our website***

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