



Mend the Gap

Empowering Women: Highlights from the Mend the Gap Event in Ireland

Spectrum Research Centre organised the Multiplier Event for the Mend the Gap project on Friday, 22nd November 2024 in Cavan, Ireland. The event brought together educators, trainers, and stakeholders to consider the new solutions developed by the project partners for empowering women from challenging backgrounds to achieve financial independence through eco-entrepreneurship.

We began the event with an in-depth presentation of the needs analysis and demonstrating how this helped to shape and inform the development of the CPD resources and online platform. The team at SRC also shared why we got involved in the project and the impact the project had locally through the training and piloting activities.

To ensure that all participants had a true understanding of the project results, we demonstrated the Mend the Gap Online Platform showcasing its user-friendly design and comprehensive resources, including CPD training materials. These resources were designed to upskill educators, enabling them to deliver tailored training sessions that build the confidence and capabilities of women seeking to start eco-businesses. We linked how these resources could be relevant to the attendees and emphasised the OER nature of the results.

The day concluded with a networking lunch, where attendees visited information stands to deepen their understanding of the project and also find out about the other support services in the county. Overall the event was a success, and Mend the





Gap resources were well regarded and appreciated by the stakeholders in attendance.

