

Nine Top Tips to Green your Business...

ENERGY

Go Renewable



Renewable energy combats climate change and costs less in the long run. Grant incentives for renewables are on the increase so watch this space!

Install LEDs



LED lights cost less and last longer than fluorescent and halogen lighting. They reduce greenhouse gas emissions. There is no downside.

Identify energy users and manage



Measure the units of energy consumed by each piece of equipment on-site so that you can assign a cost to each user. Turn them off, turn them down, turn them in.

WASTE

Source sustainable raw materials and goods



Sustainable sourcing = Sustainable Business. Establish a Green Procurement Policy for your business.

Design out disposables



Disposable materials can be convenient, but they are costly and a waste of the planet's limited resources. Use alternatives to disposable coffee cups, water cups, hand towels, packaging etc.

Use the right bin



Good segregation of recyclable waste and food waste from general waste can significantly reduce your waste costs.

WATER

Reduce the flow



Measure and reduce flow rates from taps, showers and hoses. Taps with flow rates of 4 litres per minute are fine. One can have a good shower with a flow rate of 7 litres per minute.

Control urinals



Water used by a urinal typically costs €800/annum whether occupied or not. Use sensors to control water use and reduce costs.

Identify and fix water leaks



Undetected leaks are commonplace and could be costing your business thousands of euros. Find and monitor your water meter to check for leaks.