



Review of the International Protection Process (Asylum) 2021



Tell us about your experience in the international protection process:

Last year, the Irish Government published the Report of Catherine Day and her Expert Advisory Group. This Report made recommendations on how the international protection process can be improved. **A review of the process from beginning to end is being carried out to see how the recommendations can be achieved.**

The international protection process is when the International Protection Office (IPO) examine your claim, and also when the International Protection Appeals Tribunal (IPAT) hear appeals against negative IPO decisions.

If you are currently in the protection (asylum) process or if you have recently completed the process (within the last 18 months), we would like to hear from you. Tell us about your journey through the process, what you think could be improved and how. Your thoughts and ideas will help the IPO and IPAT improve their processes, and how they engage with people at all stages of the process.

How you can get involved and have your voice heard:

We will be holding online workshops towards the end of February to listen to what you have to say about your experiences of the processes. There are a number of ways in which you can participate.

[Please complete the questions in this link if you would like to participate.](#)
[You will have the option to continue to a short survey that you can complete too to share your thoughts:](#)

<https://connectthedots.typeform.com/to/imqGWPB9>

Or scan the below QR code:





We will treat your contribution through the workshops and survey responses with strict confidence. No personal information will be shared with the Department of Justice, the IPO or the IPAT and your participation will have no impact on your international protection application or appeal.

If you do choose to take part, we (Connect the Dots) will give you a letter to acknowledge and thank you for your participation in the focus groups, and we will also share with you the report on the survey and focus groups.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

Who we are:

We are Connect the Dots and we support organisations in engaging with their stakeholders and the public. You can find out more about us on our website (www.connectthedots.ie).

Following an independent competition, the Department of Justice appointed us to engage with people who are or have recently been in the international protection process.

