

## Commission assessment of Ireland’s application to host AMLA (Dublin)

<b><i>‘When selecting the location, the co-legislators have agreed that they will ensure that, given the nature of AMLA, the location enables the Authority to fully execute its tasks and powers, to recruit highly qualified and specialised staff, to offer adequate training opportunities for AML/CFT activities, where relevant, to allow for close cooperation with Union institutions bodies and agencies, and in order to avoid reputational risks, to consider how ML/FT risks are adequately addressed in the Member State based on publicly available, relevant and comparable information such as FATF reports.’</i></b>		
	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>
Description	<p>Ireland’s application to host the seat of the new anti-money laundering authority, AMLA, marks an important step in our journey as part of the European project. As a modern multicultural city, Dublin is the ideal location for this important new institution with everything that AMLA will need to be a success from the start on the global stage.</p> <p>AMLA is of course more than just an institution, its purpose is to prevent criminal gangs from inflicting more damage on families and make communities across all Member States and the financial system safer for everyone.</p> <p>Hosting AMLA in our capital city is a perfect way for Ireland to bring our contribution to the continued success of the European Union to the next level as we head into our 51st year as a proud member of Europe. Our position as an island on the edge of the continent provides a global perspective that can inform the culture of AMLA as it looks to project and protect the values of Europe on the world stage.</p> <p>As a union of shared values, it is important that our European institutions are evenly spread across Member States. Dublin is ready to welcome the staff and families of AMLA to build out the new authority and we have set out details on a small sample of what the city has to offer in this application. The European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions is the only decentralised European agency to be hosted in Ireland since 1975 and it has provided vital support to the EU institutions, governments, employers and trade unions from Dublin. AMLA will be a more significant organisation and operation, and our capital city is ready for this step change in the scale of our membership and contribution to the EU.</p> <p>Ireland and our people have played critical roles in building the institutions across Europe for many decades and because of the unique strengths that Dublin offers, now is the ideal time for us to host AMLA. The capacity of our capital city to make AMLA a relevant and reliable regulator from day one has been made possible by our membership of Europe.</p> <p>The endorsement of our application by the Council and the European Parliament would make a powerful statement about the capacity of small countries on the periphery to play a central role in building the future of Europe. As the EU once more looks to enlargement, Ireland is a case study in how membership of Europe can transform an economy and a society overtime to being a valuable contributor and a visible expression of values and aspirations that we all share.</p> <p>Ireland is serious about making AMLA a success for Europe and on the world stage from Dublin and the Irish Government is committed to fully supporting this application with details of how significant that is regarding the property choices is also set out in detail here.</p> <p>We are delighted to put Dublin forward as the perfect place for the headquarters of AMLA. Our capital city is already home to a large globally interconnected European financial centre and is recognised as a technology powerhouse that combine with our rich cultural heritage to create the ideal conditions to build this important new EU institution.</p> <p>Dublin has been transformed over recent decades into the modern multicultural city thanks to the success of the Single Market and the opportunities it has created for people from Ireland and around the world. That success has made Dublin a focal point for where Europe and the world interact and engage and the city is the global base and regional hub for many important organisations.</p> <p>As the centrepiece of Europe’s anti-money laundering policy, AMLA in Dublin will have access to all the people and skills and meets all of the criteria that the Council and the European Parliament have identified to achieve our collective policy goals. Our capital offers Europe a range of new buildings to host AMLA and all of them are centrally located with everything the staff and their families need to thrive.</p>	<p><b><i>[the location enables the Authority to fully execute its tasks and powers]</i></b></p> <p>The application provides information in relation to Ireland’s readiness and commitment to host AMLA, referring to the experience Ireland has gained from hosting the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound) since 1975. It indicates various capacities of Dublin in relation to hosting AMLA that are also covered under the criteria below, including the availability of new buildings for the headquarters of AMLA.</p> <p><b><i>[to recruit highly qualified and specialised staff]</i></b></p> <p>The application indicates that AMLA will have access to the people and skills needed in Dublin.</p> <p><b><i>[to offer adequate training opportunities for AML/CFT activities, where relevant]</i></b></p> <p><b><i>[to allow for close cooperation with Union institutions bodies and agencies]</i></b></p> <p>The application refers to Dublin as a European financial centre and a regional hub for many organisations. It further indicates Ireland's intention to work with the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission to share its vision for AMLA in Dublin.</p> <p><b><i>[to avoid reputational risks, to consider how ML/FT risks are adequately addressed in the Member State based on publicly available, relevant and comparable information such as FATF reports]</i></b></p> <p>The application mentions the results of the FATF Mutual Evaluation Review (MER) on Ireland of 2017 and its follow-up report of 2022, as part of the FATF on-going evaluation cycle. It includes statements from the MER according to which ‘Ireland has a generally sound legislative and institutional AML/CFT framework’ and ‘national coordination and cooperation is a strong point of the Irish AML/CFT system’. The application also recalls conclusions of the report whereby (i) there is good cooperation between supervised entities and the supervisors which are well-respected, (ii) the Central Bank of Ireland (CBI) - AML/CFT supervisor of credit and financial institutions - has robust controls in place at market entry for financial institutions, and (iii) the CBI proactively targets unauthorised financial services providers. Based on the MER, the application highlights the substantial level of effectiveness reached in relation to international cooperation (Immediate Outcome 2), supervision (Immediate Outcome 3), as well as the use of financial intelligence (Immediate Outcome 6). Based on Immediate Outcome 3, the application states that ‘in the area of supervision, Ireland is one of the two EU Member states currently rated by FATF as having a substantial level of effectiveness’.</p> <p>The application also mentions the steps taken by Ireland to enhance the national AML/CFT following the MER, as well as, based on the follow-up report of 2022, the upgrades of technical compliance ratings in a number of areas, including (i) new technologies, (ii) transparency and beneficial ownership of legal arrangements, and (iii) powers of law enforcement and investigative authorities.</p> <p>The application mentions that as part of the transposition of the 4<sup>th</sup> and the 5<sup>th</sup> AML Directives Ireland went beyond EU Directive requirements, with for example subjecting all Virtual Asset Service Provides (VASPs)</p>

<p>We look forward to working with the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission to share our global vision for AMLA in Dublin and why we believe this is the time for Ireland to support this vital new keystone in regulatory architecture of the European project. The Irish Government and the Department of Finance are 100% committed to making AMLA in Dublin a success for all Member States by protecting their people at home and projecting the values of Europe in a more fractious and divided world. Our ambition for AMLA in Dublin is not rooted in aspiration of what might be possible but a realisation of what we know is achievable from our capital city and its dynamic and inclusive financial and technology ecosystem. AMLA is an exciting policy initiative that has the potential to shape the future of the European financial system in a positive way and Dublin has the credibility to make that happen. At the same time it offers the staff and families of the people who will work in AMLA, a unique set of rich lifestyle choices in an urban setting where nothing is ever far away. Dublin is a city that was founded by Europe many centuries ago and it is still a place that draws people to it as a place to create and build lasting memories and friendships. With everything that Dublin can provide for AMLA we believe it is the most credible location for what Europe wants for this institution and you will find more of why this is the case in more detail in our application. Dublin is ready for AMLA and the Irish Government is ready to support colleagues across all the Member States in making this a reality.</p> <p>Ireland and AML/CFT</p> <p>The quality of Ireland’s AML/CFT framework is internationally recognised and our system of supervision in particular is recognised by FATF as one of the two best in the EU. Ireland’s first National Risk Assessment in 2016 identified as its areas of highest risk retail banking, bureaux de change and money remittance services. Businesses in these sectors are supervised for AML/CFT purposes by the Central Bank of Ireland.</p> <p>Subsequent sectoral risk assessments identified certain sub-sectors of the gambling sector and virtual assets as holding a medium-high risk level. Those gambling service providers assessed as such were subsequently designated by the Minister for Justice as obliged entities. Virtual asset service providers were also placed in this category as part of amendments to the Criminal Justice (Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing) Act 2010 which were introduced in 2021. In doing so, Ireland went beyond the requirements of the EU AML Directive and ensured that all service providers falling into the FATF definition of VASPs were made subject to AML/CFT obligations.</p> <p>Accordingly, Ireland’s AML/CFT supervisor of credit and financial institutions, the Central Bank of Ireland, which is also the AML/CFT supervisor of VASPs, is a key actor in the framework. The Department of Justice, in addition to having responsibilities for policy and legislation, also acts as a supervisor for certain designated non-financial businesses and professions (DNFBPs) including designated gambling service providers (pending the establishment of a new dedicated gambling regulator which is intended to have AML responsibilities). They and other supervisors, such as designated accountancy bodies, the Law Society of Ireland and the Property Services Regulatory Authority, are all members of Ireland’s AML Steering Committee, which facilitates close cooperation, coordination and the sharing of understanding of risks.</p> <p>Ireland has been a member of FATF since 1991 and remains a very active contributor both in terms of participation in working groups and in the provision of experts, in excess of requirements, to participate in mutual evaluations and other work such as follow up reports.</p> <p>In 2017, Ireland underwent the FATF’s rigorous mutual evaluation process, which concluded that “Ireland has a generally sound legislative and institutional AML/CFT framework” and that “national coordination and cooperation is a strong point of the Irish AML/CFT system.” In addition to evaluating Ireland’s system of supervision as one of the two best in the EU, FATF also found Ireland to have a substantial level of effectiveness in key areas such as international cooperation and the use of financial intelligence. Since that report was published, Ireland has taken a number of steps to further enhance and strengthen our AML/CFT framework. These improvements have been recognised by the FATF, firstly by upgrading our ratings in a number of areas of technical compliance with the FATF standards, including in relation to new</p>	<p>falling into the FATF definition to registration and AML obligations, as well as disclosing beneficial ownership information on investment vehicles not covered by the Directives.</p>
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<p>technologies, transparency and beneficial ownership of legal arrangements and powers of law enforcement and investigative authorities, and subsequently when the follow up process to our mutual evaluation was deemed to be concluded in October 2022.</p> <p>In the area of supervision, Ireland is one of only two EU Member States currently rated by FATF as having a substantial level of effectiveness, which is a testament to the strong systems in place, particularly in relation to Ireland’s significant financial sector where the AML/CFT supervisor is the Central Bank of Ireland (CBI). In this regard, the FATF has said “there is good cooperation between financial institutions and DNFBPs and the supervisors which are well-respected. The CBI has generally robust controls in place at market entry for financial institutions, including background checks. The CBI also proactively targets unauthorised financial services providers. “</p> <p>The use of financial intelligence is another area where Ireland was rated by FATF as having a substantial level of effectiveness. FIU Ireland, a part of the Garda National Economic Crime Bureau, is viewed as one of the most robust in the EU and is a strong contributor at the EGMONT Group, a global organisation that facilitates and prompts the exchange of information, knowledge, and cooperation amongst member FIUs. In the area of confiscation, the Criminal Assets Bureau (CAB) is a statutory body established under the Criminal Assets Bureau Act (1996). It is a multi-agency body with the responsibility of enforcing civil forfeiture legislation in Ireland, with input from An Garda Síochána, Revenue officials, Social Welfare staff, and staff such as forensic accountants and legal officers. The CAB targets the proceeds of criminal activity of both high and mid-level criminals, by engaging in the confiscation of criminal assets. The Bureau thereby serves as a critical component of Ireland’s asset recovery framework. The CAB also represents Ireland at the Camden Asset Recovery Inter-Agency Network (CARIN).</p> <p>As an EU Member State, Ireland has transposed and given effect to the 4th and 5th AML Directives and in fact, has gone beyond what was required in some respects, notably in the case of VASPs where our risk assessment from 2019 had concluded that virtual assets hold a medium-high risk rating. Accordingly, we legislated to introduce a registration regime which applies to the full range of service providers as defined by FATF and not just the more limited range defined in the Directive.</p> <p>The European Banking Authority’s (EBA) recent opinion on money-laundering and terrorist financing risks affecting the EU’s financial sector highlighted several cross-sectoral risks. One such risk highlighted by the EBA is a deficiency in the identification of ultimate beneficial ownership. Ireland has established three registers of beneficial ownership information, for companies, trusts and certain financial vehicles. In this regard we have addressed risks identified in our 2019 assessment of legal persons and arrangements and again gone beyond EU requirements by imposing the same disclosure obligations on additional investment vehicles which are not covered by the Directive. This means that we have created a comprehensive framework for transparency of ownership, regardless of legal form.</p> <p>There were several other risks highlighted by the EBA in which Ireland has implemented appropriate measures to mitigate their effect on the country’s AML Framework. One such risk was a lack of harmonisation amongst Member States in enforcing compliance with restrictive measures. Ireland has demonstrated that it is capable of contributing towards the goal of harmonisation in this area, as evidenced by its continued adherence to the latest EU obligations regarding sanctions on Russia and Belarus.</p>	
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<b>PREMISES 1, see below for premises 2</b>		
<b>Criterion 1 'The date on which AMLA can become operational on site after the entry into force of the Regulation'</b>		
<b>Building</b>		
<b>Sub criterion</b>	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>
1) Description of the proposed premises 1 (address and general description)	Coopers Cross, Mayor Street Upper, North Dock, Dublin 1  Coopers Cross is a world-class mixed-use, future-focused campus located on a six acre site in Dublin’s North Docks. AMLA in Dublin would be at the heart of the financial and technology	The application indicates the availability of Coopers Cross, at Mayor Street Upper, North Dock, Dublin 1, near the Central Bank of Ireland and the National Treasury Management Agency as proposed premises 1. The premises are split between two commercial buildings, Building 1 (approx. 8,650 m <sup>2</sup> ) and Building 2 (26,756 m <sup>2</sup> )

district of Dublin beside the Central Bank of Ireland and our National Treasury Management Agency. The dockland area of Dublin is a vibrant business district that has undergone significant regeneration over the past 2 decades and is home to many of the world's top financial and technology companies. The campus is served by a multitude of public transport links including the Luas (city tram), Dublin Bus, Dublin Bikes, Dockland Overground rail line and the port tunnel to Dublin Airport. When fully complete, the Coopers Cross campus will offer 100,000m<sup>2</sup> of mixed use accommodation, consisting of 471 high quality apartments plus 35,000m<sup>2</sup> of commercial space across two buildings, complemented by amenities, retail, restaurants, leisure and wellness offerings. The one-acre public realm includes the largest park in the north docklands which will be a vibrant, animated space designed to provide an ideal venue for outdoor cultural and community events. There will be on-site estate staff located within the campus including 24 hour security guarding, patrols and CCTV cover.

The office accommodation at the Coopers Cross campus is split between two flexible and efficient commercial buildings; Building One measuring approximately 8,650m<sup>2</sup>(Net Internal Area / 11,796m<sup>2</sup> Gross Internal Area) and has been identified as a suitable building to meet the long term requirements of AMLA, and Building Two measuring a further 26,756m<sup>2</sup> NIA of Grade A office space. In addition to local amenities that will be incorporated into the fit out of Building One, all occupiers will have access to the Town Hall and co-working space along with a café located in Building Two off the garden level, creating an environment for impromptu gatherings or planned events.

Building One at Coopers Cross is an 8,650m<sup>2</sup> (NIA) state of the art, A rated office building. The building reaches high standards in both technological facilities management processes and environmentally sustainable construction and building methods and has achieved LEED Platinum and BREAM Outstanding sustainability accreditation and WiredScore and SmartScore technology accreditation. Building One at Coopers Cross is a fully future proofed building that has wellness, placemaking, flexibility and innovation as part of its design principles. The building is stand alone with naming and signage rights.

Building One at Coopers Cross meets the increasing demand from employees seeking to cycle or run to work. Coopers Cross delivers a high ratio of showers and bicycle spaces which are further complemented by generous changing areas, lockers and drying rooms. There will also be a crèche facility on the campus enabling employees with children to avail of this service.

Environment & Social Governance is a central theme of the development with the aforementioned world leading sustainability accreditation in addition to features like greywater recycling and demand response thermal control. The fully automated cores will provide employees with a safe, contactless door to desk experience. The intelligent building infrastructure uses technology to optimise the building operations through the collection and use of data. This centralised, open protocol platform can integrate with occupiers' operating systems lowering energy consumption and operational carbon levels. This technology will provide an exceptional user experience via a multifunctional campus app. The building has secured both Platinum WiredScore and SmartScore Platinum accreditation, the first scheme in Ireland to do so. This will ensure best-in-class internet connectivity.

The docklands district of Dublin is also the location for many thousands of residential apartments within walking distance of the offices and workplaces in the area and Coopers Cross itself is a mixed used campus with a large cohort of residential dwellings. It is a five minute walk from the DART(coastal train) and LUAS (city tram) rapid transit services plus all

The application indicates that the premises offer showers, bicycle spaces, changing areas, lockers, drying rooms, and a crèche facility. It also indicates that the premises have various accreditations in sustainability and features like greywater recycling, demand response thermal control and contactless work environment. Lastly, it indicates that the building infrastructure allows for reducing energy consumption and carbon levels.

The application indicates that when fully complete, the campus will offer 100,000 m<sup>2</sup> of mixed-use accommodation, including 471 apartments and 35,000 m<sup>2</sup> of commercial space across two buildings (amenities, retail, restaurants, leisure and wellness offerings), as well as a park, and on-site estate staff with 24-hour security guards and CCTV cover.

The application indicates that building 1 is a A rated building which has achieved LEED Platinum and BREAM Outstanding sustainability accreditation and WiredScore and SmartScore technology accreditation.



	major city centre bus routes providing the staff of AMLA in Dublin with a range of choices their commuting options	
<b>Availability of the premises</b>		
1) Timeline of the availability of the premises (before fit-out and necessary adaptation works) as soon as possible after the entry into force of the Regulation	Coopers Cross is currently available to be fitted out to AMLA's specification. The guideline for a full fit-out of the size of operations set out by the Council and the European Parliament would indicate a timeline in the order of twelve months (the answer to question two below). However there may an option to fit-out the building on a phased basis to better match the planned ramp up in AMLA activities as referenced in the technical specifications.  There will be an opportunity for AMLA in Dublin to work with the Irish Government and a dedicated team of property professionals to determine the optimal path for making Coopers Cross operational. The premises itself is ready to go now.	The application indicates the immediate availability of the premises to be fitted out for AMLA's specification.  It also indicates that a phased fit-out may be possible to match AMLA activities in collaboration with the Irish Government and property professionals to determine the operational path for Coopers Cross.
2) Estimated time needed for fit-out and adaptation works (expressed in months)	12 months	The application indicates that 12 months is the estimated time needed for fit-out and adaptation works.
<b>Organisation of the premises</b>		
<i>Indicatively, and depending on the final number of staff (between 250 and 400 staff members), the size of the AMLA's premises should be between 6.000 to 10.000 square meters gross floor area above ground.</i>		
1) Total surface of the premises (expressed in m <sup>2</sup> )	8647	The application indicates that the total surface of the premises is 8,647 m <sup>2</sup> .
2) Staff capacity (expressed in maximum number of staff)	500	The application indicates that the hosting capacity of the premises is for 500 staff members.
3) Availability of one large conference room (including for the meetings of the General Board) (approx. 300 m <sup>2</sup> )	Yes	The application indicates that there is a large conference room of approx. 300 m <sup>2</sup> .
4) Number of meeting rooms for more than 40 persons	2	The application indicates that there are 2 meeting rooms for more than 40 persons.
5) Number of meeting rooms for 13-15 persons	6	The application indicates that there are 6 meeting rooms for 13-15 persons.
6) Number of meeting rooms for 25-35 persons	4	The application indicates that there are 4 meeting rooms for 25-35 persons.
7) Availability of a lounge area for lunch and/or dinner catering	Yes	The application indicates that there is a lounge area for lunch and/or dinner catering.
8) Availability of a dedicated area for FIU (around 30 individual offices)	Yes	The application indicates that there is a dedicated area for FIU.
9) Internal archives capacity of the premises	Yes	The application indicates that the internal archives capacity of the premises is 1,221 m <sup>3</sup> .
9.1) Archives volume (expressed in m <sup>3</sup> )	1221	
10) Number of parking spaces (inside and outside) - Available for AMLA	21	The application indicates that there are 21 parking spaces (inside and outside) available for AMLA.
11) Possibilities for extension of office space in its original premises or the nearby area	Yes	The application indicates that there is the possibility for extension of office space in its original premises or the nearby area by 26,731 m <sup>2</sup> . As indicated below under point 15, this answer relates to Building 2.
11.1) Surface for possible extensions (expressed in m <sup>2</sup> )	26731	
12) Are the premises EMAS verified?	Yes	The application indicates that the premises are EMAS verified.

<p>13) Description of the general compliance with the Manual of Standard Building Specifications of the premises including for environment performance standard</p>	<p>Building One at Coopers Cross has attained a Building Energy Rating (BER) of A3 and has achieved the required Net Zero Energy Buildings (NZEB) standard plus the internationally recognised accreditations of BREEM Outstanding and LEED Platinum.</p> <p>The building will be delivered to meet and exceed the requirements of AMLA in accordance with the specifications outlined in the Manual of Standard Building Specifications, and all of the indicative requirements as set out in this application process. A dedicated design team will be readily available to work with AMLA in Dublin to develop and finalise the fit-out so that will be it operational as soon as is possible and in keeping with the specification set out in the Manual of Standard Building Specifications.</p>	<p>The application indicates that the premises (Building 1) have certain certifications: Building Energy Rating of A3, Net Zero Energy Buildings standard, BREEM Outstanding and LEED Platinum accreditations.</p> <p>The application indicates that the building will meet AMLA's requirements in accordance with the Manual of Standard Building Specifications.</p>
<p>14) Description of the digital security and connectivity with regard to physical and IT infrastructure</p>	<p>Building One at Coopers Cross has been awarded a SmartScore Platinum rating making it one of the smartest places to work in the world. SmartScore is the globally recognised smart building certification developed by WiredScore. The building demonstrates cutting edge innovation with the use of market-leading technology, processes, and automation to deliver data-driven outcomes to AMLA in Dublin – helping to create a suite of highly sustainable, cost efficient and future-proof work and social spaces. AMLA in Dublin will have access to high speed, secure internet.</p> <p>The fully automated buildings will provide employees with a safe, contactless door to desk experience. The intelligent building infrastructure uses technology to optimise the building operations through the collection and use of data. This centralised, open protocol platform can seamlessly integrate with occupiers’ operating systems lowering energy consumption and operational carbon levels. This technology is also a key enabler of the campus sustainability and wellness agenda, and will provide an exceptional user experience via a multifunctional campus app.</p> <p>The intelligent system currently exists within the landlord managed spaces and the system has the ability to expand into the preferred size that suits AMLA in Dublin. The landlord will assist tenants with the integration process and the dedicated team of property professionals from the Irish Government will also be on hand to assist and advise AMLA in Dublin.</p> <p>Building Security</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building One at Coopers Cross is a standalone building with access to secure on-site digital storage which gives occupants confidence in relation to the security of their digital footprint.</li> <li>• To address security concerns in real-time, the landlord or tenant will be able to track the utilisation of all external access points, allowing the tenant to receive notifications of unexpected or unauthorised access attempts.</li> <li>• Occupancy sensors will allow for real-time reporting on the number of people within the building at any one time. The access control system allows tenants to see if those people are operational staff, occupier staff, or visitors.</li> <li>• Automatic number plate recognition - As an employee drives up to the building, the security system automatically detects a car’s number plate and provides access to the car park if the vehicle is authorised. Vehicles that are not authorised will not be granted access.</li> <li>• Employees will receive automatic notifications when a visitor arrives, reducing preparation effort and allowing staff to host with seamless efficiency.</li> </ul>	<p>The application indicates that Building 1 has been awarded a SmartScore Platinum rating. It further indicates that AMLA will have access to high-speed secure internet. In addition, the application provides information on the security of the premises (Building 1) on real-time access control, occupancy sensors, touchless door to floor system and destination-controlled lifts, automatic number plate recognition, and in-building app-based technology, real-time notifications for unauthorized access attempts and automatic check-in via the in-building app. Furthermore, the application provides information on the on-site digital storage and digital footprint of Building 1.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upon arrival, employees will be able to check into the building via the in-building app. This reduces the requirement for access cards and lengthy check-in times; app-based technology makes building access smooth and hassle free.</li> <li>• Touchless Door to Floor - Hands-free mobile phone access control systems allow employees to travel from the front door to each floor without touching unnecessary surfaces. Destination-controlled lifts are automatically called as you enter the building – reducing wait time and congestion in lobbies.</li> </ul>	
15) Other	<p>In relation to question 11.1 the figures included in our answer refer to Building Two at Coopers Cross which is on the same campus and is adjacent to this proposed building for AMLA in Dublin. Building Two consists of 26,731m<sup>2</sup> of commercial office space which may be available for use if required in the future.</p> <p>Also within the docklands area there is a wealth of options for AMLA to grow into over time with a series of strong case studies of organisations that have scaled up successfully in the area. A recent example of this is the expansion by the Central Bank of Ireland who used a number of buildings close to their headquarters before consolidating into one campus in collaboration with the developers in the area. Other examples include Google, Meta and Salesforce who have grown across significant campuses in the area. With the design and property support team available to AMLA in Dublin there will be ample opportunity to explore all of the positive options that are available in and around Coopers Cross.</p> <p>The answers to the availability of meeting space as included for questions four, five and six above are indicative. The floor plates available in Coopers Cross are very generous and in consultation with AMLA present flexibility for a more generous configuration of meeting rooms. As a brand new building it is a blank canvas for AMLA in Dublin to create a new workspace perfectly tailored to their needs. An important consideration for the design team will be to maximise the meeting spaces that are available to allow for close cooperation with the wider family of EU institutions bodies and agencies. AMLA in Dublin located at Coopers Cross can be a welcoming place for representatives from all Member States and is very close to the airport, providing even more flexibility for scheduling meetings.</p> <p><b>Cultural &amp; Social</b> The Coopers Cross Campus is located in Dublin's central business district. It is close to public amenities, Irish Financial Services Centre, the National Convention Centre, and all public transport links. Dublin's North Docks is a hub of social life, creativity and culture. The 3Arena entertainment venue is a five minute walk and hosts many of the high-profile artists who visit Ireland. The EPIC Museum, local restaurants and bars and ODEON Point Square cinema offer staff a local outlet for culture and hospitality. All the city's main cultural and social hubs are within walking distance, and there are a number of three and four star hotels within a five minute walking distance.</p> <p>Coopers Cross is dedicating approximately 1,000m<sup>2</sup> of space for cultural use in the campus. The area is located at basement level of Building Two and will be entered via a separate external entrance on the Garden Street level. The developer has appointed a Head of Culture and an international cultural strategy consultant to work with the local community and campus occupiers to co-ordinate events in both this space and the wider campus. The Head of Culture will partner with AMLA on developing the wider cultural strategy to provide exciting on-site programming that employees will enjoy as an occupier at Coopers Cross.</p>	<p>The application indicates that the answers provided above to points 4, 5 and 6 as regards the availability of meeting rooms are indicative and that it is possible to modify the meeting rooms.</p> <p>The application also indicates that premises 1 are located in Dublin's central business district, close to public amenities, Irish Financial Services Centre, the National Convention Centre, and public transport links, a sociocultural entertainment venue, the EPIC Museum, local restaurants and bars and hotels.</p>

	<p>There will also be an on-site crèche facility on the campus enabling employees with children to avail of this service.</p> <p>The overall design of the Coopers Cross campus has been optimised to ensure employee wellbeing with plenty of bike parking and electric car charging ports as well as a clean air circulation system, tenant welfare facilities and dedicated social and cultural spaces. This is epitomised by a thoughtfully landscaped public park as the centerpiece of the campus, which is the perfect place for employees to relax and come together with friends and colleagues.</p> <p>Residential.</p> <p>The residential element of Coopers Cross consists of 471 newly constructed residential units with corporate lettings available. The developer for Coopers Cross is willing to provide a right of first refusal on new rental apartments at the campus. Additional residential accommodation could also be provided by the same developer if required, at their wider portfolio of developments in Dublin at Grange, Sandyford and Cornerstone. All of these other developments are all in south Dublin and all within easy reach of Coopers Cross.</p>	
<b>Financial terms</b>		
1) Description of the financial terms	<p>FIXED COST (Excluding VAT)    €€ PER ANNUM  RENT €5,352,457  CAR/BICYCLE SPACE    €111,000  ESTATE SERVICE CHARGE    €163,106  TOTAL    €5,626,563</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The quoting rent is €619/ m2 (€57.50 / ft2) which amounts to €5,352,457 per annum excluding VAT</li> <li>There is also a cost of €111,000 per annum for 21 car spaces and 270 bicycle spaces.</li> <li>There will be an estate charge for contribution to the maintenance and upkeep of the campus. This is a total for service charges of €163,106 per annum.</li> <li>This is an annual total for fixed costs of €5,626,563 exclusive.</li> <li>There will be a rent review every 5 years which will be subject to an upwards / downwards review which may impact on this figure.</li> <li>Commercial negotiations have been undertaken which are sensitive, but will reduce the total fixed price costs as quoted above</li> </ul>	<p>The application indicates that the annual fixed costs (excluding VAT) amount to EUR 5 626 563, composed of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rent: EUR 5 352 457;</li> <li>Costs of car and bicycle spaces (for 21 cars and 270 bicycles): EUR 111 000;</li> <li>Estate service charge (maintenance and upkeep of the campus): EUR 163 106.</li> </ul> <p>The application indicates that there will be a rent review every 5 years which may impact on the above figure and that commercial negotiations have been undertaken to reduce the total fixed price costs.</p> <p>The application indicates that the Irish Government is proposing to make EUR 80 million available to AMLA in Dublin. It also indicates that this financial proposal is an estimate of the costs of establishing AMLA in Dublin.</p>
2) Monthly rental cost (expressed in EUR)	468880	The application indicates that the monthly rental cost is EUR 468 880.
3) Does the applicant Member State intend to cover the rent?	Yes	The application indicates that Ireland intends to cover the rent for 9 years within the framework of Ireland's financial contribution as described under point 1.
3.1) Will the applicant Member State cover the rent	For a given period of time	
3.2) If yes, for how many years?	9	
4) Monthly maintenance costs (expressed in EUR)	2.22	The application indicates that the monthly maintenance costs are 2.22 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> .



5) Does the applicant Member State intend to cover the maintenance costs?		The application does not provide any information about Ireland's intention to cover the maintenance costs.
6) Fit-out costs (expressed in EUR/m <sup>2</sup> )	3500	The application indicates that the fit-out costs are 3 500 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> .
7) Does the applicant Member State intend to cover the fit-out costs?	Yes	The application indicates that the Ireland intends to cover the fit-out costs, within the framework of the financial contribution from Ireland as described under point 1.
8) Does the applicant Member State intend to cover the future upgrade and extension?	Depends	The application indicates that Ireland may cover a future upgrade and extension.
9) Financial conditions of future upgrades and extensions	Ireland is serious about bringing AMLA to Dublin for the benefit of all Member States and to develop and grow the Single Market while protecting the integrity and resilience of the European financial system. To support this application Ireland is proposing significant financial support for the establishment of AMLA in Dublin and we are flexible in how best that support can be delivered to maximise the success of the new authority and in a way that will best help it to achieve its goals on behalf of all Member States. With that in mind, what is outlined above is an indication of how the costs of running, maintaining AMLA in Dublin may be supported by the Irish Government. In consultation with the dedicated team of property professionals from the Irish Government, AMLA in Dublin can discuss how best to proceed in the case of Coopers Cross.	The application indicates that Ireland is proposing financial support ( <b>see above point 1</b> ) for the establishment of AMLA in Dublin and that Ireland is flexible on the support to be delivered.
10) Duration of the lease (expressed in years)	25	The application indicates that the duration of the lease is of 25 years.
11) Financial conditions of termination before the end of the lease	No deed of renunciation is required which means the tenant will have rights of renewal at the end of this term subject to negotiation and market conditions.	The application indicates that no deed of renunciation is required and that the tenant will have rights of renewal at the end of this term subject to negotiation and market conditions.
12) Description of any special conditions with regard to the costs and dedicated infrastructure		The application does not provide information on any special conditions with regard to the costs and dedicated infrastructure.
13) Other	At this point in the seat selection process, the Irish Government is proposing to make €80 million available to AMLA in Dublin. The proposal here set out here for Coopers Cross is indicative of what an estimate of the costs of establishing AMLA here would be if the full cost of the estimated fit out was provided for with the remainder going towards rental. It is important to understand this is indicative and as the process develops it maybe that a different combination of support might be preferred but we are setting this out as and indication. In the case of premises 2, Four Park Place, the same support is available but for illustrative purposes we have applied it to the rental only.	<b>See above under point 1</b>
Summary Criterion 1		<b>The application indicates that Ireland proposes as premises 1 Coopers Cross located at Mayor Street Upper, North Dock, Dublin 1. The premises are split between Building 1 (8,650 m<sup>2</sup>) and Building 2 (26,756 m<sup>2</sup>). The buildings offer amenities such as showers, bicycle spaces, changing areas, lockers, drying rooms, and a crèche facility. The premises have sustainability accreditations and features like greywater recycling, demand response thermal control, and contactless work</b>

		<p><b>environment. The estimated time for fit-out and adaptation works is 12 months. The AMLA premises will have a total surface of 8,647 m<sup>2</sup>, accommodating 500 staff. The premises have a large conference room of approx. 300 m<sup>2</sup>, meeting rooms (2 for over 40 persons, 6 for 13-15 persons and 4 for 25-35 persons), a lounge area, a dedicated FIU area, internal archives capacity of 1,221 m<sup>3</sup>, and 21 parking spaces. The application indicates the possibility for extension of the office space by 26,731 m<sup>2</sup>. The premises are EMAS verified. The application indicates that Building 1 will meet AMLA's requirements in accordance with the Manual of Standard Building Specifications and that AMLA will have access to high-speed internet. It provides information on the security of the premises.</b></p> <p><b>The application indicates that the fixed costs amount to EUR 5 626 563 per year, covering rent, car/bicycle spaces, charges and estate service charges and that Ireland intends to cover the rent for 9 years as well as the fit-out costs of 3 500 EUR/m<sup>2</sup>. The application indicates that Ireland proposes an estimated financial support of EUR 80 million for the establishment of AMLA in Dublin. The lease contract will have a duration of 25 years with no deed of renunciation and renewal rights.</b></p>
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<b>Criterion 2 – ‘Accessibility of the location’</b>																													
<b>Sub criterion</b>	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>																											
<p><b>Public transportation</b></p> <p>1) Description of the access to air and rail transport linking the location with European capitals</p>	<p>Dublin Airport is the primary access point linking Ireland to the capitals of Europe and the wider world. Located north of the city, Dublin is the largest airport in Ireland and handles up to 30 million passengers a year that can fly non-stop to over 190 destinations with 44 different airline partners.</p> <p>Dublin is one of the largest European airports and has nearly 1,400 flights per week to Europe offering excellent direct flight access for Member States. This provides convenient access to the major hubs across Europe, offering superb options for AMLA to conduct its business while allowing families of staff to travel to the Member States and beyond.</p> <p>As of the time of this application the weekly flight options for Member States are ;</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="626 1339 1626 1654"> <tr> <td>AT – Austria – 21</td> <td>FR – France – 130</td> <td>NL – Netherlands – 88</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BE – Belgium – 35</td> <td>DE – Germany - `134</td> <td>PL – Poland – 61</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BG – Bulgaria – 9</td> <td>EL – Greece – 5</td> <td>PT – Portugal – 59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HR – Croatia – 6</td> <td>HU – Hungary – 21</td> <td>RO – Romania – 30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CY – Cyprus – 3</td> <td>IT – Italy- 92</td> <td>SK – Slovakia - 5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CZ – Czechia – 15</td> <td>LV – Latvia- 9</td> <td>SI – Slovenia -*</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DK – Denmark – 13</td> <td>LT – Lithuania – 6</td> <td>ES – Spain – 227</td> </tr> <tr> <td>EE – Estonia - 2</td> <td>LU – Luxembourg – 10</td> <td>SE – Sweden – 17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FI – Finland – 13</td> <td>MT – Malta – 5</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>In addition, Dublin has over 800 flights per week to the UK including 320 to London. Dublin has access to further flight connectivity to Europe with five other international airports less than three hours drive from the city.</p> <p>An important point in favour of Dublin as a location for AMLA is the connectivity it offers beyond Europe, particularly as a transatlantic hub.</p>	AT – Austria – 21	FR – France – 130	NL – Netherlands – 88	BE – Belgium – 35	DE – Germany - `134	PL – Poland – 61	BG – Bulgaria – 9	EL – Greece – 5	PT – Portugal – 59	HR – Croatia – 6	HU – Hungary – 21	RO – Romania – 30	CY – Cyprus – 3	IT – Italy- 92	SK – Slovakia - 5	CZ – Czechia – 15	LV – Latvia- 9	SI – Slovenia -*	DK – Denmark – 13	LT – Lithuania – 6	ES – Spain – 227	EE – Estonia - 2	LU – Luxembourg – 10	SE – Sweden – 17	FI – Finland – 13	MT – Malta – 5		<p>The application indicates that Ireland's Airport offers 1,400 weekly flight options for Europe. In addition, it indicates the number of flights available to Member States.</p> <p>The application also provides information on flight connections to third countries.</p> <p>The application provides information on costs, transportation from the airport to the city centre by bus (30-40 minutes) or taxi (20 minutes), with over 1,000 daily services. The application also indicates that Dublin has ferry access to northern France and Spain through Dublin Port, Rosslare and Cork.</p> <p>In addition, the application indicates that national and international car hire firms are available at the airport.</p>
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As of the time of this application the weekly flight options for North America, Asia and the Middle East North Africa are;

Destination	Weekly flights
United States	145
Canada	11
Middle East	35
North Africa	12

Ireland has a unique position in Europe as the only Member State to have United States customs and border protection preclearance at both Dublin and Shannon airports. Executives working in AMLA or visiting their office in Dublin have the option to clear US immigration before boarding the plane in Ireland. This makes direct access and connections to important policy and financial centres for AMLA, like Washington, New York and Chicago more streamlined.

This is another feature that AMLA in Dublin can benefit from and one that compliments the access to Asia and Africa that is available through the established continental hubs. Together they make realising a global vision for AMLA more achievable. This unrivalled access is a critical factor that makes Dublin a global city and why so many international decision makers make it the base for their operations and why people choose to advance their careers from here.

Dublin has one of the fastest average transit times from plane disembarkation to the city centre, with travel time to the city centre just 20 minutes by car or taxi, 30 minutes by express bus and 40 minutes by standard public bus. Passengers of departing flights can also pre-book a Fast Track facility up to one hour in advance of their flight, which saves waiting time through security in Terminals 1 and 2.

Dublin Airport is well-served by a fleet of licensed taxis which operate 24 hours a day (at a cost of approximately €22 from the airport to the city centre). The average waiting time for a taxi is six minutes as of May 2023, following the approval of an additional 300 permits for taxis servicing the airport. There are approximately 19,500 taxis in operation in Ireland, with 10,337 of those operating in the Dublin area.

Dublin Airport is served by both domestic and international car hire firms with desks located in both Terminals 1 and 2 with connections provided to pick up locations around the airport. There are currently six main operators in Dublin airport providing this service, with a current fleet of approximately 24,000 vehicles operated across these six firms.

Dublin is a relatively compact city, making the travel time from Dublin Airport to Coopers Cross approximately twenty minutes by car via the port tunnel.

Public and private bus transport options are both frequent and reasonably priced with fares starting from approximately €7 to travel to the city centre. Over 1,000 bus and coach services daily provide direct access to Dublin City Centre (including express transfers to Heuston and Connolly train stations), Greater Dublin and to cities and towns across Ireland.

As a compliment to the speed of the air travel options, Dublin has ferry access to northern

	France and Spain through both Dublin Port and nearby Rosslare and Cork. Ferry travel offers staff and families a different experience, particularly when relocating to Ireland with personal belongings in addition to making other options possible for holiday travel. There is also a comprehensive ferry service to the United Kingdom from Ireland including the port of Belfast which is well served by motorway access.	
2) Availability and types of public transport connections from the closest airport to the premises	Bus	The application indicates the availability of bus connections from the closest airport to the premises with a frequency of 20 minutes and a duration of 35 minutes.
Frequency of bus connections (expressed in minutes)	20	
Duration of bus connections (expressed in minutes)	35	
3) Availability and types of public transport connections from the closest international/national train station to the premises	Tram; Bus	The application indicates that tram and bus connections are available from the closest international/national train station to the premises.
Frequency of tram connections (expressed in minutes)	6	The application indicates that the frequency of the tram connections is of 6 minutes and the duration is 15 minutes.
Duration of tram connections (expressed in minutes)	15	
Frequency of bus connections (expressed in minutes)	30	The application indicates that the frequency of the bus connections is of 30 minutes and the duration is 20 minutes.
Duration of bus connections (expressed in minutes)	20	
4) Other	<p>All of the property solutions that Dublin has for AMLA provide excellent access to the bus, rail and cycling infrastructure of the city. There are a choice of different public transport options that can help the staff of AMLA, their families and the stakeholders they interact with to easily connect with the headquarters. The main transport options, all of which are directly accessible or close to the AMLA property solutions, are summarised here ;1.</p> <p>Dublin Bus: Dublin Bus is the primary provider of bus services in the city. It operates an extensive network of routes that cover the entire Dublin metropolitan area, including suburbs and neighboring counties. Buses are a popular mode of transport for daily commuting and connecting to various parts of the city.2. Luas: The Luas is Dublin's light rail system, consisting of two main lines: the Red Line and the Green Line. It provides quick and efficient transportation within the city, connecting suburbs and key destinations. The Luas lines are well-integrated with other public transport options, making transfers between modes seamless.3. DART (Dublin Area Rapid Transit): The DART is a suburban rail network that runs along the coast, connecting locations within Dublin and the surrounding counties. It's a popular choice for those traveling to coastal areas, and it offers scenic views of Dublin Bay.4.</p> <p>Dublin Bikes: Dublin Bikes is a public bicycle rental system that allows users to rent bicycles for short journeys. It's a convenient way to explore the city and access locations not easily reached by other forms of public transport.5. Irish Rail: Irish Rail operates longer-distance rail services connecting Dublin to other major cities in Ireland, such as Cork, Galway, and Belfast. Heuston and Connolly train stations are the primary rail hubs in Dublin.6. Taxi Services: Taxis are widely available and well regulated in Dublin and can be hailed on the street or booked in advance. They are a convenient compliment to the bus and tram services and familiar ride-sharing services like Uber are also available. It is also worth highlighting the plans for MetroLink, a transformative addition to the Dublin transport infrastructure,</p>	The application indicates the main transport options, including bus, metro, train, bikes and taxi services. In addition, the application provides information on the future planning for a new metro line (expected to be fully operational by 2035), linking Dublin Airport, the Irish rail system and bus and metro services.

	<p>which are at an advanced stage of development. The National Transport Authority, in conjunction with Transport Infrastructure Ireland, is currently in the planning process for construction of MetroLink, a transformative piece of new public transport infrastructure, the first of its kind in Ireland. MetroLink is expected to be fully operational by 2035, subject to planning. It will comprise a high-capacity, high-frequency, modern and efficient metro railway, with 16 new stations running from North County Dublin to the South City Centre. The alignment will link Dublin Airport, Irish Rail, the DART rail system, Dublin Bus and Luas (tram) services and thereby create a fully integrated public transport network for the Greater Dublin Area. Metrolink, is a key element alongside an expansion of the DART and Dublin Bus routes as part of Ireland's National Development Plan. These are all part of a coordinated Greater Dublin Area Transport Strategy that will deliver sustainable transport options for the city and a more inclusive system that offers more choice for people living and working in Dublin. When considering Dublin as the home for AMLA, colleagues in Europe can be confident that all the property solutions are well supported by public transport and there are plans in place to enhance the options for staff, families and stakeholders in the future. Transport, and sustainable mobility, is a key element in our Climate Action Plan for how Dublin will play its role in reducing our carbon emissions by 51% by 2030.</p>	
<b>Accommodation facilities in the vicinity of the premises</b>		
1) Number of 3 star hotels at walking distance from the premises	15	The application indicates the presence of 15 three star hotels at a walking distance from the premises.
2) Number of 4 star hotels at walking distance from the premises	7	The application indicates the presence of 7 four star hotels at a walking distance from the premises.
3) Number of 5 star hotels at walking distance from the premises	2	The application indicates the presence of 2 five star hotels at a walking distance from the premises.
4) Number of 3 star hotels beyond walking distance in the vicinity of the premises	130	The application indicates the presence of 130 three star hotels beyond a distance of one km from the premises.
5) Number of 4 star hotels beyond walking distance in the vicinity of the premises	65	The application indicates the presence of 65 four star hotels beyond a distance of one km from the premises.
6) Number of 5 star hotels beyond walking distance in the vicinity of the premises	14	The application indicates the presence of 14 five star hotels beyond a distance of one km from the premises.
7) Description of available facilities for events and conferences outside AMLA premises	<p>Dublin, thanks to its cultural vibrancy, rich history and literary heritage, is a leading destination for international events and conferences. Coupled with the dynamic public and private sector organisations based in Dublin, the city has excellent infrastructure to host the type of gatherings, large and small, that AMLA will require. Dublin is one of only four UNESCO Cities of Literature in the world and many of the large sports stadiums come with conference and events facilities. That mix of commerce and culture makes Dublin an attractive destination for hosting international events.</p> <p>There are a host of venues open to AMLA in Dublin to cater for the events that it will be running itself, and specialist conferences that will want to be collocated with this important new EU institution. These range from the iconic purpose built Convention Centre Dublin on the quays, to the intimate rooms available in some of the city's most historic buildings. In between there are more than 120 dedicated event spaces in the city that can cater to the needs of AMLA in Dublin. The largest plenary capacity in a single venue is 6,500 people and exhibition spaces go up to 20,000m<sup>2</sup>.</p> <p>That is before you include those spaces in the suburbs that cater to the conference needs of large organisations. Plus there is a rich hinterland of former country estates with conference</p>	<p>The application indicates that Dublin has over 120 dedicated event spaces (with the largest plenary capacity in one venue of 6,500 people and exhibition spaces go up to 20,000 m<sup>2</sup>), including the Convention Centre Dublin and historic buildings, to accommodate international events and conferences. The application indicates that the Irish Government supports tourism through Bord Fáilte, investing in skills development and infrastructure development for events. It also indicates that the newer venues offer inbuilt audio-visual capabilities for both in-person and hybrid events.</p>



	<p>facilities within a short distance of our capital that complement the list of potential locations for offsite AMLA events.</p> <p>Infrastructure is more than the physical event spaces and Dublin has a thriving events management industry with dedicated professionals available to cater to AMLA's needs. Tourism is an important pillar of the Irish economy and business tourism including conferences and events is supported by the Irish Government through Bord Fáilte. The Irish State supports investment in skills development in the industry and the development of infrastructure for events across the city.</p> <p>As technology is changing the events industry, with a new reliance on platforms and livestreaming, Dublin has more than kept pace with the evolution of infrastructure requirements. Newer venues offer inbuilt audio visual requirements to cater to both in person and hybrid events. As a compliment to the traditional hospitality that Dublin is renowned for, the city also has a talent pool of the best technical support staffs that have become central to producing successful conferences.</p>	
8) Other	<p>The popularity of Dublin as a destination for music, sport and culture makes the city a leading location for conferences and events. As the home to many leading multinationals the city is well used to accommodating corporate travellers and international events. Underpinning the events and conference capacity of Dublin is the ever growing stock of rooms with a further 1,300 hotel beds due for completion in the second half of 2023 on top of the 26,000 existing stock. There are more than 150 hotels in Dublin and the choice for visitors ranges from the international brands to boutiques and everything in between. Part of the attraction of Dublin is the ease of access it offers to all that Ireland has to show international visitors including world class golf and equestrian facilities. Dublin is unique as a thriving financial centre located between the sea with its stunning coastline and the backdrop of accessible mountains. This offers people a distinctive blend of the most modern facilities alongside historical attractions within easy reach of immersive nature.</p>	<p>The application provides information on future hotel beds (1,300) to be completed in 2023. In addition, it provides information on sports: golf and equestrian facilities.</p>
Summary Criterion 2		<p><b>The application indicates that Ireland's airport offers 1,400 weekly flight options for Europe. It provides information on the transport and travel times from the airport to the city centre by bus (30-40 minutes) or taxi (20 minutes). Moreover, it indicates the availability of a ferry access to northern France and Spain. The application indicates the availability of bus connections from the airport to the premises (frequency of 20 minutes and duration of 35 minutes) and the availability of tram connections (frequency of 6 minutes and duration of 15 minutes) and bus connections (frequency of 30 minutes and duration of 20 minutes) from the closest international/national train station to the premises.</b></p> <p><b>The application indicates the presence of 15 three star hotels, 7 four star hotels, 2 five star hotels at a walking distance from the premises, and the presence of 145 three star, 72 four star, 16 five star hotels in the vicinity of the premises. It indicates that Dublin has over 120 dedicated event spaces, including the Convention Centre Dublin and historic buildings, for international events and conferences.</b></p>

<b>Criterion 3 – ‘Existence of adequate education facilities for the children of AMLA’s staff’</b>		
<b>Sub criterion</b>	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>
1) Number of nurseries	457	The application indicates the presence of 457 nurseries.

2) Language options offered by nurseries	Irish; French; German; Spanish; English; Polish	The application indicates that English, French, German, Irish, Polish and Spanish are the languages offered by the nurseries.
3) Additional information concerning nurseries (names, location, language regimes offered, etc.)	<p>In Ireland, the primary or first level school system starts for children aged 4 years old but usually when they are 5. Prior to entering the school system childcare is predominantly provided to nursery age children through pre-schools, play groups, day nurseries, crèches and childminders.</p> <p>The provision of pre-school childcare services is regulated by Tusla, a dedicated State agency that is responsible for wellbeing of children in Ireland. The pre-school childcare options for Dublin are well developed and are a mix of purpose built facilities and in home services. These allow working parents to raise a family in Dublin, and are key supports for the strong labour market participation in Ireland. At the core of pre-school childcare services is the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE). This scheme provides early childhood care and education for children of pre-school age.</p> <p>Children can start ECCE when they are 2 years and 8 months of age and continue until they transfer to primary school. The State pays participating playschools and daycare services a set amount per child for the ECCE service. In return, participating centres and playschools provide a pre-school service free of charge to all children within the qualifying age range. The service is for a set number of hours over a set period of weeks. ECCE is usually a compliment to full or part time day care for children.</p>	The application indicates that pre-school childcare is predominantly offered to nursery aged children through pre-schools, play groups, day nurseries, crèches, and childminders including purpose-built facilities and in home services. It indicates that the core of the pre-school childcare offered, Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE), starts at 2 years and 8 months until primary school, which starts for children aged 4 or 5 years old. Participating centres and playschools provide ECCE free of charge, complementing full or part-time day care.
4) Availability of European Schools or accredited European Schools	Yes	The application indicates that there are European Schools or accredited European Schools.
4.1) Language options offered by the European Schools or accredited European Schools	Irish; Czech; French; Slovak; German; Greek; Spanish; English; Hungarian; Polish	The application indicates that Czech, English, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Irish, Polish, Slovak and Spanish are the languages offered by the European School.
4.2) Additional information concerning European Schools or accredited European Schools (names, location, language regimes offered, etc.)	<p>The Centre for European Schooling is located just 28 minutes from Dublin city centre in Dunshaughlin. St. Seachnall's National School is a European accredited school which meets the pedagogical requirements laid down for the European Schools, within the framework of the national school networks of the Member States. The school offers mother tongue classes from year 1 to 5 in primary level education. These classes are available in Czech, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Polish, Slovak and Spanish in accordance with Mother Tongue (LI) provision. All other mainstream classes are taught through English.</p> <p>The Centre for European Schooling was originally opened to cater for the educational needs of the family members of European Union staff at the EU Food and Veterinary Office. The school is well versed in meeting the educational needs of children from multiple backgrounds with different language requirements from across the EU. The school currently has three mainstream classes for each year group, which accommodates over six hundred students.</p> <p>The following are the languages currently being taught at primary and secondary level in the Centre for European Schooling:</p> <p>Nursery Level: Czech L1 is taught at Nursery 2 level (Senior Infants).</p> <p>Primary Level: L1 classes are taking place in: Czech, Polish, German, French, Spanish, Hungarian, Greek and Italian</p>	The application indicates that the Centre for European Schooling is a European accredited school, located in Dunshaughlin (28 minutes from Dublin city centre), offers mother tongue classes in Czech, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Polish, Slovak, and Spanish for primary level education. The school, currently has three mainstream classes for each year group, accommodating over 600 students. The application indicates that English Language Support Classes are available also at secondary level while European Hours and Non-denominational Ethics Classes are available at primary level.

	<p>L2 classes are taking place in: French, German</p> <p>Second level: L1 classes are taking place in: Polish, Hungarian, Greek, Spanish, French, German and Slovak L2 classes are taking place in: French, German L3 classes are taking place in: Spanish, Portuguese and German</p> <p>English Language Support Classes are also taking place at secondary level. Non-denominational Ethics Classes and European Hours classes are taking place at primary level.</p>	
5) Number of international schools providing primary and secondary education	5	The application indicates the presence of 5 international schools providing primary and secondary education.
6) Language options offered by the international schools	French; German; English	The application indicates that English, French and German are the languages offered by the international schools.
7) Additional information concerning international schools (names, location, language regimes offered, etc.)	<p>Dublin has a growing number of international schools that complement the Irish education system which is divided into two distinct stages. Primary level education is for students aged 5-12 and secondary level education is for students aged 12-18.</p> <p>The vast majority of schools in Dublin are non fee-paying public schools that facilitate the State curriculum which culminates in a final examination called the Leaving Certificate. The Leaving Certificate allows students to access further and higher education through a merit-based system.</p> <p>In addition to the State curriculum, Ireland has four International Baccalaureate World Schools authorised to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma which is accepted by higher education institutions in Ireland. There are also a number of different options for students to study for the exams in their home country while their parents are working or seconded to Ireland with programs for Polish and Japanese classes as an example.</p> <p>International School of Dublin</p> <p>Located in Synge Street in the middle of Dublin city, this school is easily accessible from the preferred location of AMLA in Dublin. Various options for school after hours care are also available. The International School of Dublin operates the International Baccalaureate curriculum for primary age students only. Student must transfer to other schools to complete the IB diploma. The curriculum is provided through English. Options to study English as a second language are also available.</p> <p>St. Andrew's College</p> <p>St Andrew's is a private, fee-paying school located in Blackrock, a suburb of Dublin. Rail connections allow commuters to reach the city centre in 35 minutes. St Andrew offers the International Baccalaureate curriculum through English.</p> <p>SEK (San Estanislao de Kostka)- Dublin International School</p>	<p>The application indicates that the Irish educational system is divided into primary (from 5-12 years) and secondary (from 12-18 years) levels. The application indicates that most schools in Dublin are non-fee-paying public schools.</p> <p>The application indicates that Ireland has four International Baccalaureate World Schools authorised to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma. It also provides information on options for students to study for exams in their home country while their parents are working or seconded to Ireland, with programmes for Polish and Japanese classes.</p> <p>Furthermore, it provides information on the location, language offer and fees of 5 public international schools and 2 private international schools.</p>

	<p>SEK Dublin is a private, fee-paying school. The campus is located 30 km from Dublin city centre and is within walking distance of a Dublin Area Rapid Transport (DART) station, allowing reasonable access to Dublin city centre. The school provides its curriculum through English. SEK provides both day learning and boarding options for its students.</p> <p>Nord Anglia</p> <p>Nord Anglia provides the International Baccalaureate, taught through English. Nord Anglia International School Dublin is located in Leopardstown, which is just 8km from Dublin city centre and is easily accessible by both public and private transport.</p> <p>St. Kilian's</p> <p>St. Kilian's School located in the suburb of Clonskeagh, just 7km from Dublin city centre. The school allows students to be educated in a limited number of subjects through the German language. The school also allows students to take Deutsche Sprachdiplom – First Level (DSD I). The DSD is seen as sufficient proof that a student has the appropriate German language skills to enter a Studienkolleg. A Studienkolleg is a specialised one-year school that acclimatises students to the German education system and allows students to progress into German universities.</p> <p>Lycée Français International (LFI)</p> <p>The Lycée Français International Samuel Beckett is the only school in Ireland to offer the entire French curriculum from Petite Section to Terminale combined with the Irish diploma up to Junior Certification/Brevet.</p> <p>It is accredited by the AEFÉ (Agence pour l'Enseignement Français à l'Étranger), the French Ministry of Education and the Irish Department of Education and Skills. The option is then available to continue with the French Senior Cycle in the Eurocampus jointly run by St. Kilians and LFI.</p> <p>Eurocampus</p> <p>St. Kilians is also home to the Eurocampus, jointly operated by St. Killians and LFI in order to provide a European-style education in Ireland.</p>	
8) Number of higher education facilities (university level or equal)	14	The application indicates the presence of 14 higher education facilities (university level or equal).
9) Language options offered by higher education facilities	Irish; Portuguese; Italian; French; German; Spanish; English	The application indicates that English, French, German, Italian, Irish, Spanish and Portuguese are the languages offered by the higher education facilities.
10) Description of higher education facilities (Universities and academic disciplines)	In Dublin and across Ireland there are a wide range of higher education facilities that provide international students and the families of visitors to Ireland with a rich cultural experience and a world class education. The third-level education in Ireland features a broad array of academic programs at undergraduate and post graduate level that are internationally recognised. There are currently nearly 260,000 students in full time study with 13.7% of these being international. Irish universities are ranked in the top 3% of institutions worldwide with many research fields in the top 1% in the world.	The application indicates that Ireland offers a range of higher education facilities, including universities, institutes of technology, and colleges of education. With nearly 260,000 students in full-time study, 13.7% of these are international. It indicates that the third-level education sector in Ireland consists of state-funded universities, institutes of technology and colleges of education. Lastly, it provides information on private colleges which also offer courses in professional training and business, some linked to universities or professional associations with international accreditations.

	<p>Universities also play a significant role in Irish social and cultural life, and this is particularly true in Dublin where they are deeply embedded in the city and all of the communities where they are located. In addition to the socio-cultural activities spanning tourism, sport, music and entertainment, arts and culture that they contribute to, these institutions have been central to the advancement of Dublin and Ireland as a high skill economy.</p> <p>The third-level education sector in Ireland consists of universities, institutes of technology, and colleges of education – and all are State funded. These higher education institutions offer qualifications in a National Framework of Qualifications that allow for national and international educational qualifications to be compared.</p> <p>The universities in Ireland are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National University of Ireland which is the umbrella university covering University College Dublin (UCD), University of Galway, University College Cork, and National University of Ireland, Maynooth.</li> <li>• The University of Dublin, which is generally known as Trinity College Dublin (TCD).</li> <li>• The University of Limerick.</li> <li>• Dublin City University or DCU.</li> <li>• RCSI University of Medicine and Health Science.</li> </ul> <p>Technological sector Ireland also has a technological sector that includes technological universities (TUs) and institutes of technology (ITs).</p> <p>TUs and ITs provide programmes of education and training at third-level in areas such as business, science, engineering, linguistics and music to certificate, diploma and degree levels.</p> <p>Ireland has 5 technological universities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technological University Dublin or TU Dublin.</li> <li>• Munster Technological University - MTU.</li> <li>• Technological University of the Shannon: Midlands Midwest - TUS.</li> <li>• Atlantic Technological University - ATU.</li> <li>• South East Technological University – SETU.</li> </ul> <p>And 2 institutes of technology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Institute of Art, Design and Technology (IADT), Dun Laoghaire.</li> <li>• Dundalk Institute of Technology.</li> </ul> <p>Private colleges In addition to the State-funded colleges, there are a number of fee-paying third-level educational institutions offering courses, mainly in professional training and business. Some of these colleges are linked to universities or professional associations and their qualifications have international accreditations.</p>	
11) Other	<p>Ireland is a leading destination for international learners, researchers and innovators.</p> <p>International education and research also play a key role in developing Ireland’s global</p>	<p>The application indicates that Ireland is a destination for international learners, researchers, and innovators, with over 25 000 international learners enrolled in higher education and research programmes. It also provides information on the estimated value</p>



	<p>footprint, in supporting national priorities and in helping build strategic international relationships which are aligned with Ireland's values.</p> <p>International learners, researchers and innovators, and their families, make a substantial investment to pursue their ambitions in Ireland.</p> <p>Through work permission arrangements, including the subsequent stay-back options as appropriate, they contribute to economic life in Ireland.</p> <p>They help shape the value system of Irish learners and wider society and contribute to the multi-cultural workforce of many Irish workplaces.</p> <p>International education sector is estimated to be worth over €2 billion to the Irish economy and there are over 25,000 international learners enrolled in higher education and research programmes, representing an increase of over 90% since 2008. Non-EU students make up the biggest proportion of international students in Ireland.</p> <p>There are currently 23,043 learners enrolled on English Language Education (ELE) programmes. Over the past decade, Irish institutions have consistently demonstrated their ability to attract high quality international students.</p> <p>A new International Education Strategy has been approved by the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science. It will aim to increase the number of international students studying in Ireland by 10%.</p>	<p>to the Irish economy of the international education sector, and it provides that the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science has approved a new International Education Strategy aimed at increasing the number of international students studying in Ireland by 10%.</p>
Summary Criterion 3		<p><b>The application indicates that Ireland's primary school system includes 457 nurseries offering English, French, German, Irish, Polish and Spanish languages. It indicates that pre-school childcare is provided through various providers, including pre-schools, play groups, day nurseries, crèches, and childminders and that the core of the pre-school childcare offered, the Early Childhood Care and Education, starts at 2 years and 8 months and runs until primary school. It also indicates the presence of the Centre for European Schooling in Dunshaughlin, Dublin, a European accredited school accommodating 600 students and offering mother tongue classes in Czech, English, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Irish, Polish, Slovak and Spanish for primary level education. It also provides information on 5 international schools providing primary and secondary education in English, French and German, including 4 International Baccalaureate World Schools, offering the International Baccalaureate Diploma. The application also provides information on the presence of 14 higher education facilities offering education in English, French, German, Italian, Irish, Spanish and Portuguese. It finally indicates that over 25,000 international learners are enrolled in higher education and research programs.</b></p>

<b>Criterion 4 – ‘Appropriate access to the labour market, social security and medical care for both children and spouses’</b>		
<b>Sub criterion</b>	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>
1) Number of hospitals available in the vicinity of the premises	14	The application indicates the presence of 14 hospitals in the vicinity of the premises.
2) Description of access to medical care (access to hospitals and other medical facilities, doctors, spoken languages, etc.)	Dublin offers an extensive range of healthcare services ranging from easy access to General Practitioner (GP) services to high quality hospital services, both private and public services, and fulltime access to emergency services. Eligibility for health services in Ireland is primarily based on residency and means. The Health Service Executive (HSE) regards a	The application indicates that the healthcare that Dublin provides includes General Practitioner services, hospital services and emergency services. The application indicates that the eligibility for health services in Ireland is based on residency. The application indicates the presence in Ireland of 48 public hospitals, 36 general hospitals, and 10

	<p>person as "ordinarily resident" in Ireland if they satisfy the HSE that they have been living in Ireland for at least a year or, that it is their intention to remain in Ireland for a minimum period of one year. Any person, who is accepted by the HSE as being ordinarily resident in Ireland, is entitled to either full or limited eligibility for health services, in public hospitals. For persons seeking information on the healthcare options available to them, the HSE offers several language options for online users, ten of which are official EU languages.</p> <p>Ireland has 48 public hospitals, 36 general hospitals and 10 specialist hospitals (including maternity, paediatric, and orthopaedic hospitals). Dublin itself has five major university hospitals, three dedicated maternity hospitals and three children's hospitals. A wide range of emergency, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation services are provided in Ireland's public hospitals. The world-class specialist services based in Dublin include heart, lung and liver transplants, bone marrow transplants, spinal injuries, paediatric cardiac services and medical genetics. The HSE also operates two injury units in the Dublin area where conditions that do not necessitate admission to hospital can be treated, such as broken bones, dislocations, sprains, wounds and burns.</p> <p>All persons ordinarily resident in Ireland are eligible for public hospital services. Acute public in-patient services are now provided without charge, following the abolition of public in-patient charges (€80 per day) with effect from 17 April 2023. In-patient refers to a patient who requires an overnight stay in healthcare facility, such as a hospital. Out-patient refers to a patient who does not require an overnight stay. Charges apply for services provided in an Emergency Department (€100 charge) and a Minor Injury Unit (€75 charge), subject to certain exemptions, such as medical card holders. Patients can choose to be treated as private patients for both inpatient and outpatient services in public hospitals.</p> <p>There is an extensive private hospital network consisting of 19 private hospitals in Ireland offering consultant-delivered care. Medical consultants are trained in providing specialist treatment in specific areas of medicine. Nine of these private hospitals are in the Dublin area including high-technology hospitals offering specialist care. Private hospitals provide a range of acute medical and mental health services, including inpatient procedures, diagnostic tests, elective surgery and inpatient mental health care. They employ over 8,000 staff and provide over one million bed nights to patients, and 10% of Ireland's in-patient mental health care annually. Half of the private hospitals in Ireland operate Emergency Departments and/or Medical Assessment Units, including patient admissions on an emergency basis each year.</p> <p>Many private primary care centres offer additional services including minor injury assessment, general medical examinations, management of acute and chronic illnesses, health screening, minor surgery, ophthalmology services.</p>	<p>specialist hospitals including five major university hospitals, three dedicated maternity hospitals, and three children's hospitals. It further provides information on the Health Service Executive which also operates two injury units in Dublin for treating non-hospital-admission conditions. The application indicates that public hospital services are available to all ordinarily resident individuals, while private hospitals (9 in Dublin out of 19 in total in Ireland) offer consultant-delivered care and additional services. Lastly, it provides information on charges for patients.</p>
<p>3) Description of access to medical care and social security for AMLA children and spouses not covered by the EU Staff Regulations (benefits, conditions, assistance, etc.)</p>	<p>Children's Healthcare</p> <p>Ireland's child health programme is similar to international child health programme models - covering child health reviews, vaccinations and screening. The totality of the programme is provided from antenatal stage to the first year in second level school by a number of health services across a range of settings, from homes to hospitals. Children aged under eight are automatically entitled to a GP (General Practitioner) Visit Card which allows access to a GP free of charge. GPs provide a broad service to their patients on all health issues and may refer patients to see specialists or hospital consultants if more specific investigation is required.</p> <p>The HSE provides dental services free of charge to children under sixteen. It provides pain-</p>	<p>The application indicates that Ireland's child health programme covers reviews, vaccinations, and screening from antenatal to second-level school. It indicates that children under eight are entitled to a General Practitioner (GPs) Visit Card, which allows access to GPs free of charge. It also indicates that the Health Service Executive provides dental services (free of charges for children under 16) and orthodontic treatment. The application indicates that the Social Security System in Ireland is managed by the Department of Social Protection, and that spouses and children of AMLA's staff - who move to Ireland - are entitled to the same benefits as Irish nationals. It further indicates that the Irish Department of Social Protection will provide a dedicated service to all staff and dependents who relocate to Ireland. For this, the application indicates that residents receiving child benefit</p>

free emergency treatment to all children under sixteen years of age and routine dental examinations and care for school children at key stages of development. Children are offered one appointment at approximately seven years of age, and another at approximately twelve years of age, to attend the HSE Public Dental Service for a screening which includes oral health examination and provision of fissure sealants.

The HSE also provides orthodontic treatment to those who have the greatest level of need and have been assessed and referred for treatment before their sixteenth birthday. Children are assessed under the modified Index of Orthodontic Treatment Need.

#### Social Security

As guaranteed under European Union law, the spouses and children of AMLA staff who take up residence in Ireland will automatically become entitled to avail of the Irish social welfare system on the same basis as an Irish national and will be treated in an identical manner. The social security system in Ireland is managed and administered by the Department of Social Protection. During the initial establishment of the AMLA in Dublin, the Department will make special arrangements to provide a dedicated service to all AMLA staff and dependents who relocate to Ireland in order to ensure the provision of Public Service Cards and Personal Public Service (PPS) numbers. PPS numbers are required to access public services, information and financial supports and to register with public services such as the Revenue Commissioners (the Irish tax authority.)EU/EEA citizens can apply for a PPSN using their passport or national identity card.

Everyone resident in Ireland caring for a child aged fifteen and younger (seventeen and younger if still in education) is entitled to receive a child benefit payment. This payment is usually made to the child's mother/stepmother or father/stepfather. If a child is under the care of another individual such as a grandparent or assigned guardian, that person is then entitled to collect the payment on the child's behalf. Child benefit payments are not taxable under Irish law but the payment can only be collected if the parent/guardian is habitually resident in Ireland. The current payment is €140 a month for each child but if multiple children are born at the same time (twins, triplets, etc.) the rate can be higher.

The Early Childhood Care and Education Programme (ECCE) is a universal two-year pre-school programme available to all children within the eligible age range. The programme provides children with three free hours per day, five days per week over 38 weeks per year and the programme year runs from September to June each year.

There is one point of entry at the beginning of the programme year. The programme is available to all children who have turned two years and eight months of age before 31 August as long they do not turn 5 years and 6 months of age on or before 30 June of the programme year. The programme rules require a child's Personal Public Service Number (PPSN) to access the scheme (once they meet the age criteria);

The Access and Inclusion Model (AIM) provides a range of both universal and targeted measures, to support children with disabilities to take part in the ECCE pre-school programme in mainstream settings, and to help make pre-school services more accessible and inclusive – benefitting all children in those services.

Universal supports empower pre-school providers to create a more inclusive culture in their settings. This is achieved through; Continuous Professional Development (CPD), an

payments can enroll in the Universal Early Childhood Care and Education Programme, a two-year pre-school programme **(described above in point 3 under criterion 3)**. Lastly, the application provides information on inclusivity for children with disabilities.

	<p>inclusion charter and guidelines for pre-schools, and a Level 6 qualification in Inclusion (LINC). Targeted supports cater to a wide range of abilities and are focused on the needs of the child and do not need a diagnosis of disability. These might take the form of specialist advice and support, specialist equipment or appliances, minor building alterations, therapeutic intervention or, in some cases, extra assistance in the pre-school room.</p>	
<p>4) Situation of the national labour market and its capacity to offer international job opportunities (number and capacity of international companies acting in the region) for children and spouses of AMLA staff</p>	<p>Ireland's economy is growing at a healthy pace with sustained job creation which offers good employment opportunities for the spouses and partners of AMLA staff. Dublin provides a wide variety of high value employment opportunities both with both foreign direct investment companies, some of which are highlighted below, and in Ireland's strong portfolio of indigenous companies. For the past five years, the Irish economy has demonstrated robust and sustainable growth and it has been the fastest growing economy in the Eurozone for the last three years. The European Commission is forecasting that Ireland's Real GDP, which is a measure of goods and services without consideration of inflation, will grow by 4.4% in 2023.</p> <p>Employment figures The Irish Government has put a number of policies in place which have proven successful in creating the right environment for continued job growth throughout the country. The strong economic expansion has helped reduce the unemployment rate to one of the lowest rates in the EU27, and well below the EU27 average of 5.9%. The continued growth of both indigenous and foreign direct investment (FDI) companies has created large numbers of employment opportunities.</p> <p>The number of people in employment has also risen significantly. Employment in Ireland reached record highs in 2023, with over 2.6 million people employed, from a total population of 5.1 million. Net inward migration is estimated at 190,333 people between 2016 and 2022. Ireland and Dublin continue to welcome people from a wide range of countries.</p> <p>Global presence and international rankings Ireland is home to a broad and diverse range of industry sectors creating large numbers of high-value jobs in fields such as ICT, pharmaceuticals, medical technology, financial services and agri-food. Dublin is ranked 1st for economic potential in the latest FDI Magazine (Financial Times Intelligence Division) European City of the Future 2023 and 3rd overall. In the same awards, it won top place in the 'small region of the future' category. It assessed as many as 370 European cities divided by population size into five groups across five different categories: economic potential; business friendliness; connectivity; human capital and lifestyle; and cost effectiveness, as well as an additional 'FDI Strategy' category which used surveys from European investment promotion agencies for analysis.</p> <p>Ireland is home to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 16 of the top 20 global technology companies</li> <li>• 20 of the top 25 financial services companies</li> <li>• All of the top 10 global pharmaceutical players</li> <li>• 14 of the top 15 Medical Technology companies</li> <li>• The top 8 industrial automation companies</li> <li>• Two thirds of the world's aviation leasing business is managed from Ireland</li> </ul>	<p>The application indicates that Ireland's economy offers employment opportunities for spouses and partners of AMLA's staff. The application indicates that Dublin offers employment through foreign direct investment (FDI) and indigenous companies.</p> <p>The application indicates that Ireland is home to global technology companies, financial services companies, global pharmaceutical players, medical technology companies, industrial automation companies and aviation leasing businesses.</p> <p>The application indicates that Ireland's FDI companies employ over 300,000 people, or 12% of the country's workforce (hiring multilingual workers). The application indicates that the Irish workplace is a multicultural environment, with many companies hosting international-focused centres requiring employees with foreign language skills.</p>

	<p>Some of the leading international names are behind these figures and are the type of firms that AMLA in Dublin will be located alongside. The continued investment by these global firms such as Google, Meta, Citi, Salesforce and others are a powerful endorsement of Dublin.</p> <p>The concentration of world-leading organisations in Ireland has positioned the country as a major European business centre and, coupled with the quality of life in Ireland and Dublin, this has attracted talented people from many other European countries and further afield. The 2023 World Competitiveness Ranking, published by the International Institute for Management Development (IMD), places Ireland as the second most competitive economy in the world, behind only Denmark. Ireland ranks 1st in the world for Attitudes towards Globalisation, Flexibility and Adaptability of the Workforce, and Attracting and Retaining Talent in this same publication, making Ireland an established top tier investment location for multinationals.</p> <p>International workforce This is demonstrated by year on year investment from foreign multinational companies. FDI companies now directly employ over 300,000 people in Ireland, equating to approximately 12% of the workforce. Ireland has built a reputation within the FDI sector as a proven location to hire those with multilingual skills. This proven ability to attract and retain international staff is demonstrated by, for example, Google’s central offices in Dublin which house approximately 5,000 fulltime staff (more than 9,000 when temporary staff and contractors are taken into account). This includes its sales and marketing division which works in 45 different languages.</p> <p>The Irish workplace is a dynamic and multicultural environment with multiple EU languages spoken across the Irish workforce. Ireland has welcomed record numbers of people from across the world to meet the demand for skills. Foreign language ability is an important skill for the Irish job market, with many companies both domestic and multinational hosting international-focused centres of operation in Ireland, requiring employees with foreign language skills.</p>	
5) Availability of services assisting expatriates and foreign nationals in seeking jobs	<p>There are a number of organisations across Ireland providing supports for foreign nationals seeking employment, including national and local governments and non-profits. Intreo, the public employment services, is the national government point of contact for all employment and income supports and services. For job seekers, they can provide assistance with developing a CV, gaining local work experience, training and upskilling, job hunting or starting a business in Ireland.</p> <p>Citizens Information is an excellent resource for information about moving to and working in Ireland, both online and in person at local Citizens Information Centres. In addition to the above, there are also a number of options for foreign nationals to access training and upskilling in Ireland, such as through SOLAS (the state agency for Further Education &amp; Training) or Skillnet Ireland (a business support agency focusing on workforce development).</p> <p>For AMLA in Dublin there will be a dedicated supports available for the children, spouses and partners of the staff to assist them in seeking jobs here.</p>	<p>The application indicates the following public/private bodies available for assisting expatriates and foreign nationals in seeking jobs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intreo, the national government's employment services, offers assistance with CV development, local work experience, training, job hunting and starting a business.</li> <li>• Citizens Information provides information on moving to and working in Ireland.</li> <li>• SOLAS and Skillnet Ireland offer training and upskilling options.</li> </ul>
6) Other	As a modern multicultural city, Dublin is well placed to meet all of the needs of the families of the staff of AMLA. With a growing economy and a broad range of different international businesses in our capital city, Dublin offers the spouses, partners and older children of staff	The application indicates that Dublin offers a diverse range of career choices for AMLA staff and their families, and that it offers opportunities for hybrid and remote working and



	a rich set of career choices. Given the broad range of European and global names with existing operations in Dublin, and the potential for hybrid and remote working it may be the case that many spouses and partners will be able to stay with their existing employers from Ireland. The labour market in Dublin has been transformed in recent years and has the capacity to create opportunities for the families that move here. People coming to Dublin with language skills have an added advantage as they are a valuable addition to the export oriented employers based across the city. With a focus on skills attraction and developing entrepreneurs there are also considerable supports available for reskilling and upskilling of AMLA staff. Equally the automatic entitlement to the social security system provides further comfort to partners and spouses. As the capital city, Dublin offers the broadest range of healthcare supports in Ireland and access to national experts within easy reach across the city.	language skills are considered as valuable additions to export-oriented employers. It also includes information on the possibility of upskilling and reskilling.
Summary Criterion 4		<p><b>The application indicates the presence of 14 hospitals in Dublin and healthcare services ranging from General Practitioner services, hospital emergency services. Ireland has 48 public hospitals, 36 general hospitals and 10 specialist hospitals, including five major university hospitals, three dedicated maternity hospitals and three children's hospitals. The Health Service Executive operates two minor injury units in Dublin. The Department of Social Protection manages the Social Security System and will offer a dedicated service for AMLA staff and family members.</b></p> <p><b>The application indicates that Dublin offers employment through foreign direct investment and indigenous companies. Ireland is home to global technology companies, financial services companies, global pharmaceutical players, medical technology companies, industrial automation companies and aviation leasing business. It further indicates that many companies host international-focused centers. Lastly it provides information on public/private bodies offering assistance for expatriates and foreign nationals seeking jobs.</b></p>

<b>Criterion 5 – ‘Geographical balance’</b>		
<b>Sub criterion</b>	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>
Description	<p>The European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound), was set up in 1975 and moved to Dublin in 1977. It is the only EU agency with its headquarters in Ireland an over 100 staff of whom 25% are Irish nationals.</p> <p>Ireland does host the former European Food and Veterinary Office in Co. Meath but this is not an independent agency. It is an integral part of the European Commission as Directorate F for Health and Food Audits and Analysis of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANCO).</p> <p>The opportunity to locate AMLA in Dublin provides an opportunity for Europe to reorient the architecture of the regulatory authorities away from the existing centres which exhibit an overconcentration of financial institutions. Dublin is the largest of the developed financial centres that does not have a large EU financial institution.</p> <p>As a country on the periphery of Europe, locating AMLA in Ireland makes a powerful statement of the capacity for all Member States to participate fully in creating the future of the Union. As set out earlier in this form, Ireland’s vision for AMLA is global and our geographic position coupled with the transatlantic links make Dublin uniquely well positioned to host the seat of this important authority</p>	<p>The application indicates that the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound) and one Directorate of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety are hosted in Ireland. It also refers to Ireland’s peripheric location.</p>

Summary Criterion 5		<b>The application indicates that the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound) and one Directorate of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety are hosted in Ireland. It also refers to Ireland's peripheric location.</b>
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<b>Any benefits granted in addition to Protocol 7</b>		
<b>Sub criterion</b>	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>
1) Does the applicant Member State offer additional privileges?	Yes	The application indicates that Ireland offers additional privileges to those in Protocol 7.
1.1) If yes, which ones?	<p>Additional privileges have been granted to Eurofound beyond Protocol 7 under Statutory Instrument No. 428/2016 - European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Privileges and Immunities) Order 2016. There is also a Memorandum of Understanding between Ireland and this agency, which covers further privileges not outlined in the bilateral agreement. Ireland is willing to offer AMLA the same opportunity afforded to Eurofound, which is to negotiate any further privileges that the agency will require to operate in Ireland and will discuss how best to make the authority operational as early as possible.</p> <p>The privileges offered previously offered to Eurofound can be replicated for AMLA and its staff. These measures already in place for Eurofound include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The premises, buildings and archives of Eurofound, including all documents, data centres and data belonging to Eurofound shall be exempt from search, requisition, confiscation or expropriation;</li> <li>• the property and assets of Eurofound shall not be the subject of any administrative or legal measure of constraint without the authorisation of the Court of Justice of the European Union;</li> <li>• The EU agency, for its official communications and the transmission of all its documents, enjoys the same treatment accorded to diplomatic missions in Ireland;</li> <li>• Documents and articles for official use of Eurofound may be imported, exported or transferred in line with the established procedures for diplomatic bags of diplomatic missions in Ireland;</li> <li>• The competent authorities in Ireland will take all appropriate steps to protect the premises used by Eurofound against any intrusion or damage and to prevent any disturbance of the peace of the premises or impairment of its dignity;</li> <li>• Regarding representatives of Member States and other EU Institutions, their advisers and experts and any other persons invited by Eurofound to contribute to, or participate in, its activities, the authorities in Ireland shall take appropriate measures to facilitate their entry into its territory, their stay and their departure, in accordance with the treatment accorded in respect of visitors to diplomatic missions in Ireland;</li> <li>• Representatives of Member States and other EU Institutions taking part in the work of Eurofound, their advisers and technical experts, as well as the members of the bodies of the Agency shall, in the performance of their duties and during their travel to and from the place of meeting, enjoy privileges, immunities and facilities as applicable under Protocol 7 of the TFEU and similar to the terms of the agreement that established Eurofound;</li> <li>• Vehicles intended for personal use of a member of the statutory staff of the agency who transfers his or her residence to Ireland to take up a position there with the Authority or vehicles utilised for official use by the agency will be exempt from any payments when registering such a vehicle. These fee exempt vehicles must be approved by the Government of Ireland.</li> </ul>	<p>The application indicates that Ireland would offer AMLA the same additional privileges beyond Protocol 7 as offered to Eurofound, in particular that documents and articles for official use of Eurofound may be imported, exported or transferred in line with the established procedures for diplomatic bags of diplomatic missions in Ireland and that vehicles intended for personal use of a member of the statutory staff of AMLA or vehicles utilised for official use by AMLA will be exempt from any payments when registering such a vehicle.</p>

<b>Headquarters Agreement</b>		
<b>Sub criterion</b>	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>
Applicant Member State's commitment to confirming the conditions included in the application in a headquarters agreement with AMLA	Yes	The application indicates that Ireland commits to confirm the conditions included in the application in a headquarters agreement with AMLA.

PREMISES 2		
Criterion 1 'The date on which AMLA can become operational on site after the entry into force of the Regulation'		
Building		
Sub criterion	Member State application	Commission assessment
1) Description of the proposed premises 2 (address and general description)	<p>Ireland is in a position to offer a choice of brand new sustainable locations for AMLA in Dublin and for the purposes of this application we are including a second premises on the south side of the city. This highlights the positive choices that will be available to AMLA in Dublin and provides a contrasting location which is equally suitable.</p> <p>Four Park Place, Adelaide Road, Dublin 2</p> <p>Located in the south of Dublin city, Four Park Place is part the landmark Park Place campus overlooking the National Concert Hall and the beautiful Iveagh Gardens. Four Park Place is ready for fitout for AMLA in Dublin and continues the high standards that are clearly visible elsewhere in the campus with a fabulous working environment and the space to meet the needs of AMLA in Dublin. In total, Four Park Place provides premium quality HQ office buildings extending to 11,525m2 offering plenty of options for considering how to configure the optimal fit out for AMLA in Dublin.</p> <p>The building is split between two flexible and efficient commercial buildings and Number four measuring approximately 11,525m2(Net Internal Area / 13,820m2 Gross Internal Area) has been identified as a suitable building to meet the long term requirements of AMLA,. Number five measuring a further 6,900 m2 NIA of Grade A office space. Both office buildings benefit from double height reception areas. In addition all occupiers will have to access to the wider Park Place development which includes retail, leisure and culinary outlets in the campus itself and a vibrant restaurant and shopping area on the doorstep.</p> <p>Four Park Place is an 11,525m2 (NIA) state of the art, A rated office building. The building has the ability to provide the AMLA in Dublin with an own door, fully independent HQ office building that has been designed to provide exceptional office space, with leading environmental credentials. The building has achieved LEED Platinum accreditation and a Building Energy Rating of A3. The office HQ sets the benchmark for sustainability. Designed by leading architects BKD, the building can comfortably accommodate the occupational needs of AMLA in Dublin now and in the future. In addition, given the self-contained nature of the building, Four Park Place also offers AMLA valuable signage and naming/branding opportunities, an important point when considering the culture of the new authority. The building has dedicated car parking (with EV charging points), bicycle parking and club-house standard end-of-trip facilities, including showers, changing facilities, and a drying room. The development also offers future expansion if needed. The adjoining Five Park Place for example, is nearing final completion and provides approximately 6,900m2 of interconnecting office space.</p> <p>The wider campus also provides an additional 46,000m2 of office space too. Occupiers in One, Two and Three Park Place include IDA Ireland, SEAI which is the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland, Deloitte, Scotiabank, CNP Santander, Bank of America, Pepper, EY, KPMG, LinkedIn, 2K Games, Gartner and Dropbox. The Park Place campus is exceptionally well located adjacent to all major transport nodes and has a wealth of amenities and retail outlets, both within the development and within a short</p>	<p>The application indicates the availability of Four Park Place, at Adelaide Road, Dublin 2, as premises 2 for ALMA, located in the south of the city of Dublin.</p> <p>The application indicates that premises 2 are located in the landmark Park Place campus and provides a total surface split between two commercial buildings (number 4 and 5). It indicates that number 4 measures approximately 11,525 m<sup>2</sup> and number 5 measures a further 6,900 m<sup>2</sup>. Both buildings have access to retail, leisure, restaurants, culinary outlets and shopping area in the Park Palace itself.</p> <p>The application also indicates that building number 4 has achieved LEED Platinum accreditation and a Building Energy Rating of A3.</p>

	walk.  The central business district of Dublin 2 is also the location for many thousands of residential apartments within walking distance to the offices and workplaces. It is a two minute walk from the LUAS rapid transit service plus all major city centre bus routes providing the staff of AMLA a wide choice for their own commute options.	
<b>Availability of the premises</b>		
1) Timeline of the availability of the premises (before fit-out and necessary adaptation works) as soon as possible after the entry into force of the Regulation	Four Park Place is currently available to be fitted out to AMLAs specification. As is the case for premises 1, the guideline for a full fit out of the size of operations set out by the Council and the European Parliament indicates a timeline in the order of twelve months (the answer to question two below). And as in the case of premises 1 there may an option to fit out the building on a phased basis to better match the planned ramp up in AMLA activities as referenced in the technical specifications.  There will be an opportunity for AMLA in Dublin to work with the Irish Government and a dedicated team of property professionals to determine the optimal path for making Four Park Place fully operational. The premises itself is ready to go now.	The application indicates the immediate availability of premises 2 to be fitted out to AMLA's specifications. It also indicates that a phased fit-out may be possible to match AMLA activities in collaboration with the Irish Government and property professionals to determine the operational path for Four Park Place.
2) Estimated time needed for fit-out and adaptation works (expressed in months)	12 months.	The application indicates that 12 months is the estimated time needed for fit-out and adaptation works.
<b>Organisation of the premises</b>		
<i>Indicatively, and depending on the final number of staff (between 250 and 400 staff members), the size of the AMLA's premises should be between 6.000 to 10.000 square meters gross floor area above ground.</i>		
1) Total surface of the premises (expressed in m <sup>2</sup> )	11525	The application indicates that the total surface of the premises is 11,525 m <sup>2</sup> .
2) Staff capacity (expressed in maximum number of staff)	600	The application indicates that the hosting capacity of the premises is 600 staff members.
3) Availability of one large conference room (including for the meetings of the General Board) (approx. 300 m <sup>2</sup> )	Yes	The application indicates that there is a large conference room of approx. 300 m <sup>2</sup> .
4) Number of meeting rooms for more than 40 persons	4	The application indicates that there are 4 meeting rooms for more than 40 persons.
5) Number of meeting rooms for 13-15 persons	10	The application indicates that there are 10 meeting rooms for 13-15 persons.
6) Number of meeting rooms for 25-35 persons	5	The application indicates that there are 5 meeting rooms for 25-35 persons.
7) Availability of a lounge area for lunch and/or dinner catering	Yes	The application indicates that there is a lounge area for lunch and/or dinner catering
8) Availability of a dedicated area for FIU (around 30 individual offices)	Yes	The application indicates that there is a dedicated area for FIU.
9) Internal archives capacity of the premises	Yes	The application indicates that there is internal archives capacity on the premises of 1,055 m <sup>3</sup> .
9.1) Archives volume (expressed in m <sup>3</sup> )	1055	
10) Number of parking spaces (inside and outside) - Available for AMLA	30	The application indicates that there are 30 parking spaces (inside and outside) available for AMLA.
11) Possibilities for extension of office space in its original premises or the nearby area	Yes	The application indicates that there is the possibility for extension of office space in its original premises or the nearby area by 46,000 m <sup>2</sup> .

11.1) Surface for possible extensions (expressed in m <sup>2</sup> )	46000	
12) Are the premises EMAS verified?	Yes	The application indicates that the premises are EMAS verified.
13) Description of the general compliance with the Manual of Standard Building Specifications of the premises including for environment performance standard	<p>Four Park Place has attained a Building Energy Rating (BER) of A3 and has achieved the required Net Zero Environmental Energy Buildings (NZEB) standard plus the internationally recognised accreditation of LEED Platinum. As mentioned above the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland is located in same campus and is a strong endorsement of the development.</p> <p>The building will be delivered to meet and exceed the requirements of AMLA in accordance with the specifications outlined in the Manual of Standard Building Specifications, and all of the indicative of requirements as set out in this application process. A dedicated design team will be readily available to work with AMLA in Dublin to develop and finalise the fit-out that will be it operational as soon as is possible and in keeping with the specification set out in the Manual of Standard Building Specifications.</p>	The application indicates that premises 2 will be delivered to meet the requirements of AMLA in accordance with the specifications outlined in the Manual of Standard Building Specifications. In addition, it provides information on the certifications of Four Park Place: a Building Energy rating of a A3, Net Zero Environmental Energy Buildings standard and the internationally recognised accreditation of LEED Platinum.
14) Description of the digital security and connectivity with regard to physical and IT infrastructure	<p>Four Park Place has been awarded a WiredScore Platinum rating making it one of the smartest places to work in the world. Achieving this accreditation proves that a building meets exceptional standards for the quality of its wired infrastructure, resilience, and wireless network. All tenants will have access to high speed, secure internet.</p> <p>Advanced digital security facilities will be provided on-site including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intruder alarm system complying with IS199 will be provided. This will include magnetic read door contacts on all external doors at ground floor level, basement car park and roof access areas.</li> <li>• Glass break detectors will be provided to all areas on the ground floor.</li> <li>• Digital IP based CCTV cameras are being provided to the building, entrance lobbies and reception area to provide general view of traffic movement to the basement car park</li> <li>• Facilities for remote monitoring will be provided.</li> <li>• An access control system will be provided to contro entry to the building from the basement car park.</li> <li>• Access control will be provided to the main building entrance. Egress will be by push button to open switches with emergency green break glass units.</li> <li>• The access control equipment will be located in the reception with monitoring facilities</li> <li>• Conduit drops with draw wires will be provided on doors to open plan office areas from the main core circulation space on each floor. These will be provided to facilitate the installation of tenant access control systems. Conduits will terminate in</li> </ul>	<p>The application indicates that premise 2 have the WiredScore Platinum accreditation and access to high speed and secure internet.</p> <p>The application indicates that digital security facilities will be provided on-site including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intruder alarm system complying with IS199 (magnetic read door contacts, basement car park and roof access areas);</li> <li>• Glass break detectors;</li> <li>• Digital IP based CCTV cameras;</li> <li>• Facilities for remote monitoring;</li> <li>• Access control system (for building and car parking);</li> <li>• Conduit drops with draw wires.</li> </ul>



	walls in flush single gang boxes equipped with cover plates.  • The access control system CCTV system and intruder alarm system will all be linked together to provide a comprehensive security system.	
15) Other	<p>Location</p> <p>Park Place is situated in the Dublin 2, south city district of Dublin which is a proven location for state bodies, regulatory agencies, professional services and financial companies. Park Place tenants include a line-up of well known international names such as EY, LinkedIn, Bank of America, KPMG, IDA Ireland, Allianz and the previously mentioned SEAI.</p> <p>Cultural &amp; Social</p> <p>The Park Place campus is located on the south side of the city in Dublin's central business district. It is close to public amenities, the Dail (Irish Parliament), Department of Finance and all public transport links. Dublin 2 is the centre of social life, creativity and culture in the city. The National Concert Hall is a 3 minute walk and is the main venue for classical music in Ireland. The National Museum, local restaurants and bars and National Gallery offer staff a local outlet for culture and hospitality. All the city's main cultural and social hubs are within walking distance, and there are a number of three and four star hotels within a five minute walking distance. The vibrant Camden Quarter, with its array of bars, restaurants and live music venues is within a 5 minute walk from Park Place. Two of Dublin city's finest parks, Iveagh Gardens and St Stephen's Green within a short walk from the building and the building overlooks Iveagh Gardens from the rear.</p> <p>Facilities</p> <p>No. 4 Park Place has attained a Building Energy Rating (BER) of A3 and has achieved the required Net Zero Environmental Energy Buildings (NZE) standard plus the internationally recognised accreditation of LEED Platinum.</p> <p>Park Place can provide an excellent car parking provision, equivalent to 1 car parking space per 380m<sup>2</sup>. NIA (i.e. 30 spaces for Four Park Place) and additional car parking spaces may be available, if required. The car parking spaces are provided in a secure basement, under the development and 50% of car parking spaces have e-charging points. The building also has dedicated bicycle parking and club-house standard end of trip facilities, including showers, changing facilities, and drying room.</p> <p>The upper floors have extensive garden terraces with panoramic views of Dublin city and beyond.</p> <p>Childcare</p> <p>There are a total of 10 childcare facilities within a 1.5km radius of Park Place offering employees access to crèche facilities near their workplace.</p>	<p>The application provides information on the location of premises 2, notably on the presence of other companies, public amenities, local restaurants and bars, gardens and hotels. The application provides additional information on car parking space in premises 2, including that 50% of car parking spaces have e-charging points. The application indicates that the building also has dedicated bicycle parking and club-house standard end of trip facilities, including showers, changing facilities, drying room and garden terraces.</p> <p>The application indicates that there are 10 childcare facilities within a 1.5 km radius.</p>
<b>Financial terms</b>		
1) Description of the financial terms	<p>FIXED COST €€ PER ANNUM</p> <p>RENT €7,750,000</p> <p>CAR/BICYCLE SPACE €135,000</p> <p>ESTATE SERVICE CHARGE €620,000</p> <p>TOTAL €8,505,000</p>	<p>The application indicates that the annual fixed costs (excluding VAT) amount to EUR 8 505 000, composed of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rent: EUR 7 750 000;</li> <li>- Costs of car spaces: EUR 135 000 (for 30 cars);</li> <li>- Estate service charge: EUR 620 000</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The quoting rent is €672.75/ m2 (€62.50/ ft2) which amounts to € 7,750,000 per annum excluding VAT.</li> <li>There is also a cost of €135,000 per annum for 30 car spaces.</li> <li>There will be an estate charge for contribution to the maintenance and upkeep of the campus.</li> <li>This is an annual total for fixed costs of €8,505,000 .</li> <li>There will be a rent review every 5 years which will be subject to an upwards / downwards review which may impact on this figure.</li> <li>Commercial negotiations have been undertaken which are sensitive, but will reduce the total fixed price costs as quoted above.</li> </ul>	<p>The application indicates that there will be a rent review every 5 years which may impact on the above figure and that commercial negotiations have been undertaken to reduce the total fixed price costs.</p> <p>The application indicates that the Irish Government proposes to make EUR 80 million available to AMLA in Dublin. It also indicates that the financial proposal is an estimate of the costs of establishing AMLA in Dublin.</p>
2) Monthly rental cost (expressed in EUR)	708750	The application indicates that the monthly rental cost is EUR 708 750.
3) Does the applicant Member State intend to cover the rent?	Yes	The application indicates that Ireland intends to cover the rent for 9 years, within the framework of the financial contribution from Ireland as described under point 1.
3.1) Will the applicant Member State cover the rent?	For a given period of time	
3.2) If yes, for how many years?	9	
4) Monthly cost of charges (expressed in EUR)	2.21	The application indicates that the monthly cost of charges is 2.21 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> .
5) Does the applicant Member State intend to cover the maintenance costs?	Yes	The application indicates that Ireland intends to cover the maintenance costs, within the framework of Ireland's financial contribution as described under point 1.
6) Fit-out costs (expressed in EUR/m <sup>2</sup> )	3500	The application indicates that the fit-out costs are: 3 500 EUR m <sup>2</sup> .
7) Does the applicant Member State intend to cover the fit-out costs?	No	The application indicates that Ireland does not intend to cover the fit-out costs.
8) Does the applicant Member State intend to cover the future upgrade and extension?	Depends	The application indicates that Ireland may cover a future upgrade and extension.
9) Financial conditions of future upgrades and extensions		The application does not provide information on the financial conditions of future upgrades and extensions.
10) Duration of the lease (expressed in years)	25	The application indicates that the duration of the lease is of 25 years.
11) Financial conditions of termination before the end of the lease	No deed of renunciation is required which means the tenant will have rights of renewal at the end of this term subject to negotiation and market conditions.	The application indicates that no deed of renunciation is required and that the tenant will have rights of renewal at the end of this term subject to negotiation and market conditions.
12) Description of any special conditions with regard to the costs and dedicated infrastructure		The application does not provide information on any special conditions with regard to the costs and dedicated infrastructure.
13) Other	<p>At this point in the seat selection process, the Irish Government is proposing to make €80 million available to AMLA in Dublin. The proposal here set out here for Four Park Place is indicative of what an estimate of the costs of establishing AMLA here would be if the full cost of the estimated fit out was provided for with the remainder going towards rental. It is important to understand this is indicative and as the process develops it maybe that a different combination of support might be preferred but we are setting this out as an indication.</p> <p>In the case of Coopers Cross, the same support is available but for illustrative purposes there we apportioned the support to both fit out and the rental.</p>	<b>See above under point 1.</b>

Summary Criterion 1		<p>The application indicates that premises 2 are located at Four Park Place at Adelaide Road, Dublin 2, in the south of Dublin. The application indicates that premises 2 have a total surface split between two commercial buildings: number 4 with 11,525 m<sup>2</sup> and number 5 with 6,900 m<sup>2</sup>. It indicates that premises 2 have a hosting capacity of 600 staff and indicates the availability of meeting rooms (4 for more than 40 persons, 10 for 13-15 persons and 5 for 25-35 persons), a large conference room of approx. 300 m<sup>2</sup>, a lounge area for lunch and/or dinner catering, a dedicated area for FIU, 1,005 m<sup>3</sup> of internal archives capacity and 30 parking spaces. It indicates the possibility to extend the office space by 46,000 m<sup>2</sup>. The application also indicates that premises 2 are EMAS verified and that they will comply with the Manual of Standard Building Specifications. Lastly, it provides information on the security and connectivity of premises 2.</p> <p>The application indicates that the fixed costs for premises 2 amount to EUR 8 505 000 per year, covering rent, costs of car spaces and estate service charge and that Ireland intends to cover the rent for 9 years as well as the monthly maintenance costs of 2.21 EUR/m<sup>2</sup> and the fit-out costs of 3,500 EUR/m<sup>2</sup>. The application indicates that Ireland proposes an estimated financial support of EUR 80 million for the establishment of AMLA in Dublin. The lease contract will have a duration of 25 years with no deed of renunciation and renewal rights.</p>
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<b>Criterion 2 – ‘Accessibility of the location’</b>																													
<b>Sub criterion</b>	<b>Member State application</b>	<b>Commission assessment</b>																											
<b>Public transportation</b>																													
1) Description of the access to air and rail transport linking the location with European capitals	<p>Dublin airport is the primary access point linking Ireland to the capitals of Europe the wider world. Located north of the city, Dublin is the largest airport in Ireland and handles up to 30 million passengers a year that can fly non-stop to over 190 destinations with 44 different airline partners.</p> <p>Dublin is one of the largest European airports and has nearly 1,400 flights per week to Europe offering excellent direct flight access for Member States. This provides convenient access to the major hubs across Europe offering superb options for AMLA to conduct its business while allowing families of staff to travel to the Member States and beyond.</p> <p>As of the time of this application the weekly flight options for Member States are ;</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="661 1444 1724 1759"> <tr> <td>AT – Austria – 21</td> <td>FR – France – 130</td> <td>NL – Netherlands – 88</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BE – Belgium – 35</td> <td>DE – Germany - ` 134</td> <td>PL – Poland – 61</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BG – Bulgaria – 9</td> <td>EL – Greece – 5</td> <td>PT – Portugal – 59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HR – Croatia – 6</td> <td>HU – Hungary – 21</td> <td>RO – Romania – 30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CY – Cyprus – 3</td> <td>IT – Italy- 92</td> <td>SK – Slovakia - 5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CZ – Czechia – 15</td> <td>LV – Latvia- 9</td> <td>SI – Slovenia -*</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DK – Denmark – 13</td> <td>LT – Lithuania – 6</td> <td>ES – Spain – 227</td> </tr> <tr> <td>EE – Estonia - 2</td> <td>LU – Luxembourg – 10</td> <td>SE – Sweden – 17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FI – Finland – 13</td> <td>MT – Malta – 5</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>In addition, Dublin has over 800 flights per week to the UK including 320 to London. Dublin has access to further flight connectivity to Europe with five other international airports less than three hours drive from the city.</p>	AT – Austria – 21	FR – France – 130	NL – Netherlands – 88	BE – Belgium – 35	DE – Germany - ` 134	PL – Poland – 61	BG – Bulgaria – 9	EL – Greece – 5	PT – Portugal – 59	HR – Croatia – 6	HU – Hungary – 21	RO – Romania – 30	CY – Cyprus – 3	IT – Italy- 92	SK – Slovakia - 5	CZ – Czechia – 15	LV – Latvia- 9	SI – Slovenia -*	DK – Denmark – 13	LT – Lithuania – 6	ES – Spain – 227	EE – Estonia - 2	LU – Luxembourg – 10	SE – Sweden – 17	FI – Finland – 13	MT – Malta – 5		<p>The application indicates that Ireland's Airport offers 1,400 weekly flight options for Europe. In addition, it indicates the number of flights available to Member States.</p> <p>The application also provides information on flight connections to third countries.</p> <p>The application provides information on costs, transportation from the airport to the city centre by bus (30-40 minutes) or taxi (20 minutes), with over 1,000 daily services. The application also indicates that Dublin has ferry access to northern France and Spain through Dublin Port, Rosslare and Cork.</p> <p>In addition, the application indicates that national and international car hire firms are available at the airport.</p>
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An important point in favour of Dublin as a location for AMLA is the connectivity it offers beyond Europe, particularly as a transatlantic hub.

As of the time of this application the weekly flight options for North America, Asia and the Middle East North Africa are;

Destination	Weekly flights
United States	145
Canada	11
Middle East	35
North Africa	12

Ireland has a unique position in Europe as the only Member State to have United States customs and border protection preclearance at both Dublin and Shannon airports. Executives working in AMLA or visiting their office in Dublin have the option to clear US immigration before boarding the plane in Ireland. This makes direct access and connections to important policy and financial centres for AMLA, like Washington, New York and Chicago more streamlined.

This is another feature that AMLA in Dublin can benefit from and one that compliments the access to Asia and Africa that is available through the established continental hubs. Together they make realising a global vision for AMLA more achievable. This unrivalled access is a critical factor that makes Dublin a global city and why so many international decision makers make it the base for their operations and why people advance their careers here.

Dublin has one of the fastest average transit times from plane disembarkation to the city centre, with travel time to the city centre just 20 minutes by car or taxi, 30 minutes by express bus and 40 minutes by standard public bus. Passengers of departing flights can also pre-book a Fast Track facility up to one hour in advance of their flight, which saves waiting time through security in Terminals 1 and 2.

Dublin Airport is well-served by a fleet of licensed taxis which operate 24 hours a day (at a cost of approximately €22 from the airport to the city centre). The average waiting time for a taxi is six minutes as of May 2023, following the approval of an additional 300 permits for taxis servicing the airport. There are approximately 19,500 taxis in operation in Ireland, with 10,337 of those operating in the Dublin area.

Dublin Airport is served by both domestic and international car hire firms with desks located in both Terminals 1 and 2 with connections provided to pick up locations around the airport. There are currently six main operators in Dublin airport providing this service, with a current fleet of approximately 24,000 vehicles operated across these six firms.

Dublin is a relatively compact city, making the travel time from Dublin Airport to Coopers Cross of approximately thirty five minutes by car via the port tunnel.

Public and private bus transport options are both frequent and reasonably priced with fares starting from approximately €7 to travel to the city centre. Over 1,000 bus and

	<p>coach services daily provide direct access to Dublin City Centre (including express transfers to Heuston and Connolly train stations), Greater Dublin and to cities and towns across Ireland.</p> <p>As a compliment to the speed of the air travel options, Dublin has ferry access to northern France and Spain through both Dublin Port and nearby Rosslare and Cork. Ferry travel offers staff and families a different experience, particularly when relocating to Ireland with personal belongings in addition to making other options possible for holiday travel. There is also a comprehensive ferry service to the United Kingdom from Ireland including the port of Belfast which is well served by motorway access.</p>	
2) Availability and types of public transport connections from the closest airport to the premises	Bus	The application indicates the availability of bus connections from the closest airport to the premises with a frequency of 30 minutes and a duration of 45 minutes.
Frequency of bus connections (expressed in minutes)	30	
Duration of bus connections from the premises to the closest Airport (expressed in minutes)	45	
3) Availability and types of public transport connections from the closest international/national train station to the premises	Bus	The application indicates the availability of bus connections from the closest international/national train station to the premises with a frequency of 15 minutes and a duration of 25 minutes.
Frequency of bus connections (expressed in minutes)	15	
Duration of bus connections (expressed in minutes)	25	
<b>Accommodation facilities in the vicinity of the premises</b>		
1) Number of 3 star hotels at walking distance from the premises	25	The application indicates the presence of 25 three star hotels at a walking distance from the premises.
2) Number of 4 star hotels at walking distance from the premises	25	The application indicates the presence of 25 four star hotels at a walking distance from the premises.
3) Number of 5 star hotels at walking distance from the premises	11	The application indicates the presence of 11 five star hotels at a walking distance from the premises.
4) Number of 3 star hotels beyond walking distance in the vicinity of the premises	130	The application indicates the presence of 130 three star hotels beyond a distance of one km from the premises.
5) Number of 4 star hotels beyond walking distance in the vicinity of the premises	65	The application indicates the presence of 65 four star hotels beyond a distance of one km from the premises.
6) Number of 5 star hotels beyond walking distance in the vicinity of the premises	14	The application indicates the presence of 14 five star hotels beyond a distance of one km from the premises.
7) Description of available facilities for events and conferences outside AMLA premises	The material described earlier in the application covers the same detail for this premises	The application indicates that the material described elsewhere in the application covers the same detail for premises 2.
Summary Criterion 2		<b>The application indicates that Ireland's airport offers 1,400 weekly flight options for Europe. It provides information on the transport and travel times from the airport to the city centre by bus (30-40 minutes) or taxi (20 minutes). Moreover, it indicates the availability of a ferry access to northern France and Spain. The application indicates the availability of bus connections from the airport to the premises (frequency of 30 minutes and duration of 45 minutes) and the availability of bus connections (frequency</b>

		<p>of 15 minutes and duration of 25 minutes) from the closest international/national train station to the premises.</p> <p>The application indicates the presence of 25 three star, 25 four star, 11 five star hotels at a walking distance from the premises as well as of 130 three star hotels, 65 four star hotels and 14 five star hotels beyond a distance of one km from the premises.</p> <p>The application refers to information provided on available facilities for events and conferences outside AMLA premises under premises 1.</p>
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