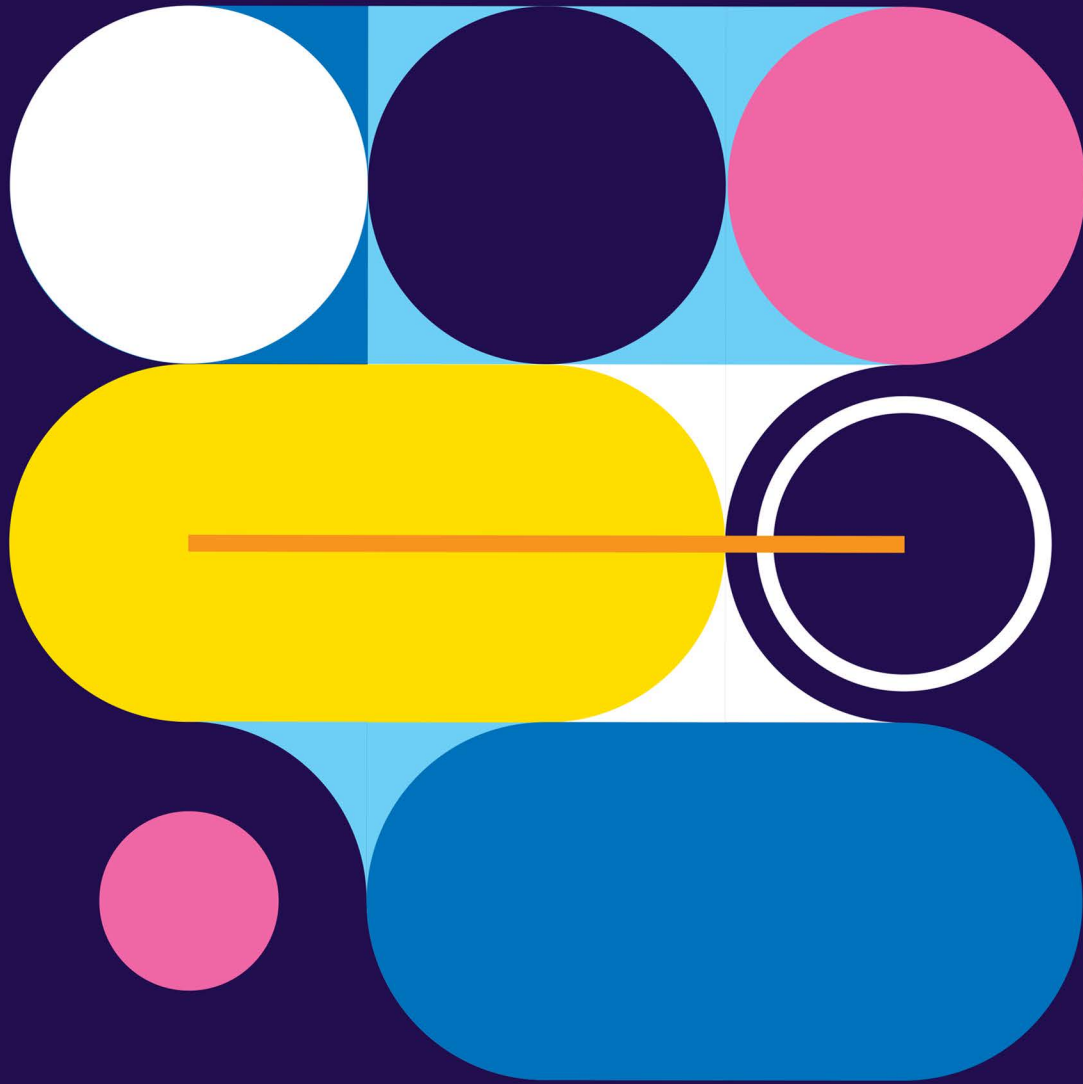




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The Broadcasting Authority of Ireland (BAI), as the body responsible for the regulation of broadcasting in Ireland, is required under the Broadcasting Act 2009 to prepare a strategy for the provision of broadcasting services in Ireland.

Its current Broadcasting Services Strategy¹, published in November 2018, outlines the BAI's approach to the licensing of broadcasting services in the State (in addition to those provided by RTÉ and TG4) and outlines the BAI's vision for the optimum mix of services.

Pursuant to its statutory obligation to produce plans regarding the number, nature and scope of broadcasting contracts that it proposes to enter into (on the recommendation of the Contract Awards Committee), the BAI presents its licensing plan for licensing activity to be commenced in 2022.

This licensing plan comprises the undertaking of the relicensing process for two (2) community sound broadcasting services, as detailed in the table hereunder.

Service Type		Franchise Area
1.	A sound broadcasting contract for one (1) Community Sound Broadcasting Service	Athlone Town and Environs
2.	A sound broadcasting contract for one (1) Community Sound Broadcasting Service	South Dublin

¹ <https://www.bai.ie/en/bai-publishes-revised-broadcasting-services-strategy/>