

# Introduction to Skillnets

Skillnets is an enterprise-led support body. Our mission is to enhance the skills of people in employment in Irish industry in order to support competitiveness and employability. Skillnets is funded from the National Training Fund and its stakeholders include leading employer and employee representative bodies - IBEC, Chambers Ireland, CIF, SFA, ICTU.

Through the creation of enterprise-led Learning Networks, Skillnets supports groups of firms to come together and devise training and development initiatives to meet their collective skills needs. Networks receive grant aid and other forms of assistance from Skillnets through the Training Networks Programme.

Between 1999 - 2005, Learning Networks supported the activities of over 6,100 companies and 35,000 trainees. These networks now encompass a wide variety of sectors and regions in Ireland, with a particular focus on the needs of small and micro-enterprises. Currently 53 Learning Networks are being funded under the 2006-2007 Training Networks Programme.

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ACIST is a mixed sector network across tourism, industry and services.

- It is the intention of the network to assist businesses across the three sectors to meet the human resources, marketing/sales (both international and national), technology, financial, regulatory and business planning/strategy challenges, by giving the management and employees of these businesses access to best in class training and networking interventions.
- The purpose of ACIST is to offer training and networking initiatives through which participating companies can maximize the profitability of their businesses and create other business opportunities that otherwise would not have been seen as achievable.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

ADR - Alternative Dispute Resolution - encompasses facilitation, mediation, arbitration, peer review, ombudspersons, employee hotline services, and all forms of non-litigation dispute resolution.

- The goal of the ADR Skillnet is to address the skills and knowledge gaps that exist among managers in responding to the new challenges posed by the fundamental restructuring of our labour market, specifically as they relate to problem avoidance, problem solving and dispute resolution.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

A network of companies in the Cork area who are members of the local Chamber of Commerce in a variety of sectors. Biznet Cork focuses on:

- Management Training – Softskills
- Technical Training – Focused on a Technical Cluster within the Network
- Retail Training – Retail Cluster
- Networking will form a large part of our focus as will certified programmes.

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The BME Skillnet operates in the counties of Cavan, Monaghan, Louth, Meath, Longford, Westmeath and Leitrim.

- The preliminary focus of the BME has been to establish recognition for the value of training to local Businesses. Its ongoing aim is to continue to deliver high quality training for both employees and owner/managers in order that they can grow their businesses and be individually and collectively more resilient to their competitive threats.
- This focus has resulted in local companies experiencing and recognising the value of training as a business improvement tool, and as a method to identify, develop and access specific training for employees and has ultimately led to the development of new certified training programmes awarded by FETAC.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

A cross-sectoral business network representing over 40 large-scale companies throughout the country, primarily focusing on:

- Fostering the development of new and higher levels of knowledge, skills and competency among the membership.
- Achieving organisational flexibility, organisational change, high performance work practices and advanced management skills.
- Growing the knowledge enterprise.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

To develop and enhance skills base with professional services, manufacturing and retail sectors in the region by developing best practice training and development initiatives.

- Cost-effective regional provision and response to training requirements
- Certified training programmes with progression routes
- Relationship building with educational institutions such as ITC, WIT, and NCI
- Helping towards the sustainability of employment in the region by having solid skills base in the area
- Enhancing the competitiveness of member companies by allowing them access to best practice at a regional and national level.

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- Support chamber-led training networks in developing sector-relevant standards, modules or awards for certification and accreditation by national awarding bodies
- Develop methods of aligning training to business goals, and of helping companies to determine value and return on investment in training
- Devise benchmarking systems to help companies assess and improve their training practice
- Foster individual development, career planning and lifelong learning in the workplace and develop methods for assessing and recognising prior learning
- Build capacity among in-company and external training providers to design and deliver training programmes that meet the needs of companies and learners, and also meet the quality criteria required for national certification.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

The Network is a Sector Based Network which is primarily focussed on growing the skills base of the participating companies and increasing the skill and competence levels of all workers by focusing on:

- Establishing common training programmes for staff at similar grades or with similar skill requirements.
- Initiating a comprehensive information and communication technology (ICT) training program to upskill all knowledge workers.
- Creating common practices procedures and systems to ensure that each network partner can identify, record and report on the training needs of all staff.
- Establishing a network of providers who will be quality tested and assured.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

A Network of companies in the Kilkenny/Wexford and West Cork regions involved in manufacturing with an element of handcraft in their production cycle. The Creative Skillnet is primarily focused on:

- Assisting companies develop a more competitive, energised and professional industry by upgrading skills and providing specialised training across the industry to motivate staff and insure the long term viability of the sector.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- CREST Skillnet is a national Network of retail based companies.
- CREST Skillnet functions to support, consolidate and grow the skills base of the Independent Irish Retail Sector.
- CREST brings owners and senior management of retail stores together to share ideas and build best practices for their businesses.
- CREST primarily uses training, networking, expert intervention, best practice dissemination, mentoring and awards programmes to raise skills standards in the Irish Retail Industry.

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- The main objective is to establish a Network of companies that will form the basis of the 'Design Shannon Skillnet', which will deliver a unique and innovative training programme that will directly address skills gaps in the design elements of Research & Development and Sales & Marketing in the region.
- The mission statement of the Design Shannon Skillnet is 'Design for Innovation'. In order to achieve this, it is planned to deliver a HETAC certified, world-class training programme to the Network group that in turn will allow them to implement a design-led strategy that will drive innovation and future competitiveness.
- From the training needs analysis, skills gaps have been defined and five core training themes developed to address them: Innovation, Product Development, Market & Customer Research, Competitor Analysis and Marketing Communications.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- The Designers' Training Skillnet is made up of the following types of companies: Architecture, Graphic Design, Visual Communications, Product Design, Fashion and Textile Design.
- The size and maturity of each of these companies has led to the creation of two clusters, those who wish to "Continue Business Development" and those who wish to "Trade Internationally".
- The focus of both these clusters is to help designers reduce costs, achieve economies of scale, scope and speed, enhance competitiveness in both domestic and international markets, increase sales and turnover, reduce isolation, learn from others and identify and absorb best practice, through training and networking events.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

A network of 47 companies primarily based in the Digital Hub area of Dublin and expanding to other regions of Ireland, who work in the digital media sector.

- Training focused on: Commercial Business Skills , Sales & Marketing, Technology Training for Digital Media Specialisations: (TV/Film), HR People Management & Developing in-house potential for growth and succession and project management in the digital media industry.
- Objectives: Attain accreditation, build partnerships with academia, and develop commercial acumen to next level. We also wish to provide the identified training, network growth and the building of international links.

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The Network comprises of companies from a wide range of engineering disciplines including construction, consultancy, project management, manufacturing, pharmaceutical and ICT. The primary focus of the Network is:

- To address the skill gap in the engineering profession in Ireland, enhancing the strong technical capabilities with business management skills as identified by the Enterprise Strategy Group Report (2004).
- To equip engineers with the business skill sets to improve productivity within their companies.
- To provide customised enterprise-led training, which has been developed with the engineers' input.
- To ensure that the training specifically caters for the needs of the engineering sector in an increasingly competitive and challenging marketplace.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

A trade union-led partnership network of 20 companies in the construction, manufacturing and services sector. The Enterprise Partnership Skillnet aims:

- To provide a forum for participating organisations to learn, explore, develop and apply new ways of jointly managing change and addressing business challenges.
- The training will largely focus on the delivery of a 6-day FETAC accredited Team-working course, and will concentrate on developing participants ability to work comfortably in a team-working environment.
- Team-working is increasingly being viewed as critical to increasing competitiveness of enterprises.

The network provides participants with the necessary skills to make a comfortable transition from a traditional work environment to one where team-working is the norm.

## Member: Fingal SKILLNET



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Network comprised of small, medium and large companies in the Fingal area in mixed sectors. The network's primary focus is:

- To develop a network of 100 companies in order to address local training needs as per the Training Needs Analysis which has been conducted.

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## Primary Focus of Network:

The Network is comprised of 90 plastic part manufacturers, users of plastic sub-assemblies, suppliers to the plastic processing industry and related companies. The Network will support this industry by developing and delivering training courses to assist the sector:

- Gaining FETAC Certificates in Plastic Extrusion and Plastic Blow Moulding over a four-year timeframe. In addition, the development of a certified clean room manufacturing certificate for operators in medical device supplier companies has been identified as a way of improving manufacturing standards, and this is expected to be developed during the lifespan of the network.
- All training developed by the network will continue to be designed to increase specific skills and to directly increase the competitiveness of the member companies.

## Member: Fresh Produce SKILLNET



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### Primary Focus of Network:

A network of over 70 companies in the Dublin and Mid-east regions in the food production sector primarily focusing on:

- The development and adoption of best practice among the workforce in member companies through competency based training.
- By building on the recommendations of the Employment Strategy Group, the Fresh Produce Network will provide career paths and progression routes for all levels of workers within the sector.
- The members of the network have identified the following target groups for training - Owner Manager Cluster; Management/Supervisor Cluster; Technical/Production Cluster; and the Operative Cluster.
- Over the life of the project it is estimated that over 700 individual trainees will be trained in a range of competencies specific to the industry.

## Member: FSI International Life Insurance SKILLNET



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### Primary Focus of Network:

The objective of the International Life Insurance Skillnet is to develop a professional development training programme for staff employed by member firms which will aim primarily:

- To increase the number of individuals with international life insurance skills/competencies
- To further increase the competitiveness of the Irish international life insurance sector

## Member: FSI Securitisation SKILLNET



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### Primary Focus of Network:

The objective of the Securitisation Skillnet is to develop a training framework to promote competitiveness and innovation within the Irish Securitisation sector. In particular the Network aims to:

- Develop and deliver a professional development programme in Securitisation.
- Increase the number of individuals within member companies with capital markets skills.
- Enhance the competitiveness of the Irish Securitisation Sector.

## Member: Galway Executive SKILLNET



Network Name:	Galway Executive Skillnet
Network ID:	F6019

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### Primary Focus of Network:

Galway Executive is a Network of primarily owner-managed/micro companies in the Galway area in a variety of sectors, whose primary focus is to:

- Provide personal and business development opportunities for our members. We use a Buddy Group system to assist with the transfer of best practice, and we are working to develop a "Mentor the Mentor" programme in 2006.

## Member: Greasán na Meán SKILLNET



Network Name:	Greasán na Meán Skillnet
Network ID:	F6015

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### Primary Focus of Network:

A network of 36 companies in the Gaeltacht area, all of whom work in the multimedia & TV production sector.

- Training and developing the Media industry in the Connemara Gaeltacht.

## Member: Hospitality Management SKILLNET



Network Name: Hospitality Management Skillnet  
Network ID: F6068

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- The Primary Focus of the Hospitality Management Skillnet is to provide accredited training to middle and senior managers in the broad hospitality sector based around the core competencies, which make up the Hospitality Management Competency model. This model has identified key areas as the skills, behaviours and attributes required by hospitality managers to effectively carry out their role.
- The Hospitality Management Skillnet also seeks to provide networking opportunities for middle and senior managers to encourage the exchange of ideas.

## Member: HotBed SKILLNET



Network Name: HotBed Skillnet

Network ID: F6050

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### Primary Focus of Network:

The Network's primary objective is to grow the skills base of participating companies and focus on 'Building Management Capacity' in SME's by:

- Developing the leadership management and operational capacity of owner-mangers and other key staff in those enterprises.
- A combination of knowledge-building activities through small network groups, regular network meetings, residential workshops, peer-to-peer learning and one-to-one expert consulting.

## Member: IASC SKILLNET



Network Name: IASC Skillnet  
Network ID: F6025

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### Primary Focus of Network:

A national network of companies in the fish production and wholesale/retail sales sector focusing on:

- The development and delivery of management and operative training for independent seafood retailers and processors.

## Member: IBEC Retail SKILLNET



Network Name: IBEC Retail Skillnet  
Network ID: F6056

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- This employer-led initiative enables employees to apply their learning in the workplace and encourages the development of a learning culture within retail companies.
- Through the IBEC Retail Skillnet initiative, staff at all levels of retailing have the opportunity to gain a qualification, (at FETAC Level 5 for operational employees and Level 6 for supervisors and managers). The Level 5 modules include Retail Customer Service, Retail Security, Retail Effective Working Relationships, Retail Stock Control, Retail Merchandising, Retail Payment Procedures, Retail Selling Skills, Retail Communications, Retail Work Experience and Retail Health and Safety.

## Member: IFA SKILLNET



Network Name: IFA Skillnet  
Network ID: F6018

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- The primary focus of IFA Skillnet is to provide a broad range of dynamic and relevant training courses in addition to timely networking events to cater for all member companies.
- Training is provided on both the technical and business aspects of member companies to ensure survival and maintain competitiveness. Companies involved in IFA Skillnet include Nursery Stock, Fresh Milk, Poultry and Pig Producers, in addition to those involved in Aquaculture, Landscaping, Forestry and Discussion, Producer and Purchasing Groups.
- The network is committed to attracting new companies and looking outward. Expansion of IFA Skillnet in the period 2006 - 2007 will make this national network stronger by providing a greater stage for interaction opportunities among member companies.

## Member: Impact Measurement SKILLNET



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### Primary Focus of Network:

The main objective of the network is to build capacity within companies to be able to carry out comprehensive measurement of the impact of training and HR interventions right up to and including a full return on investment analysis through:

- Intensive and accredited training programmes, supporting companies implement the proposed methodology, and publishing and dissemination of results of this through case study examples on an ongoing basis.
- In addition, the network has explored the prospect of linking with the Irish Institute of Training and Development (IITD) to build awareness of this methodology among IITD members and to encourage the take-up of the process among training providers generally.

## Member: Irish Greyhound SKILLNET



Network Name: Irish Greyhound Skillnet  
Network ID: F6012

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### Primary Focus of Network:

The main aim of the Greyhound Skillnet is to use training as a mechanism to improve the overall competitiveness of member companies and the Irish Greyhound industry.

Key objectives include:-

- Raising awareness of and promoting the importance of training as a tool for business development.
- Providing training to meet business critical and growth needs of members.
- To engage in shared learning through regular networking events.
- To improve the image of the industry for existing and potential employees.

## Member: ISIT SKILLNET



Network Name:	ISIT Skillnet
Network ID:	F6013

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### Primary Focus of Network:

The Network comprises of small, medium and large companies involved in all aspects of the security provision.

- The Network's primary objective is to provide a national training regime that would complement a new grading structure to enable the establishment of a mature and professional industry to meet potential future opportunities.
- Creation of a new national organisation which will deliver a suite of training programmes to Network members in their own region / locality.
- Over a period of time, the training courses will be accredited by FETAC and HETAC from basic training right through to higher levels for senior security management.

## Member: ISME SKILLNET



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Network ID:	F6005

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### Primary Focus of Network:

The companies involved with this Network are all SMEs employing less than 50 people. The average number of employees is 18, and nearly half the companies are micro SMEs employing less than 10 people.

The Network will focus on:

- The initial creation of a network of SMEs exceeding 110 members and extending to 160+;
- The provision of 25 different training programmes;
- The design and development of 9 new training programmes;
- The delivery of over 75 training courses nationwide to the staff of member SMEs.

## Member: ITAG SKILLNET



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Network ID: F6023

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### Primary Focus of Network:

The primary focus of this training network is to:

- provide high quality, cost effective, customised and “state of the art” training to employees in the member IT companies in Galway, Mayo, Sligo and Donegal;
- make courses available locally that otherwise wouldn't be available in the Galway/Western region;
- up-skill staff on the latest technologies so that the West of Ireland is recognised as a region of excellence for IT staff, making it attractive for new companies to start up here;
- increase the productivity of employees within member companies;
- improve motivation of staff within member companies;
- offer Certification paths to employees who may not otherwise be able to avail of it;
- improve staff retention in member companies;
- provide a forum where IT companies can network together.

## Member: KTN SKILLNET



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Network ID: F6011

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- The mission of the KTN Skillnet is to provide Killarney based enterprises with high quality, affordable training delivered in Killarney and available to all sectors of the private business community.
- The Network objective is to enhance the skills and competencies of member company employees to the benefit of the employees, the enterprises and the community at large.
- A key objective is to create through networking and collaboration a united voice that will work towards further improving the competitiveness of Killarney and increase co-operation amongst all sectors. Our primary focus is to grow talent internally and to impact the skill shortages that currently exist.

## Member: Learning Waves SKILLNET



Network Name: Learning Waves Skillnet

Network ID: F6026

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- Designing and developing training to meet the needs of the Independent Commercial Radio Sector in Ireland.
- Over the next two years, Learning Waves aims to successfully launch and sustain its 'Broadening Horizons' programme for key functional areas (Broadcasting, Sales & Administration), CEO's and Function Heads.

# Member: Limerick Chamber SKILLNET



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Network ID:	F6045

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## Primary Focus of Network:

Limerick Chamber Skillnet will focus specifically on addressing the training needs of SME's in the Limerick Shannon region by focusing on:

- Fostering the development of new and higher levels of knowledge and skills across the workforce
- Upskilling middle and senior management by focusing on the HR, Sales and Marketing and Management challenges. We will also address the challenges of a diverse workforce by providing non-nationals with the skills they need to contribute to the local economy.

## Member: MidMed SKILLNET



Network Name: MidMed Skillnet

Network ID: F6022

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- The MidMed Skillnet comprises companies from the pharmaceutical, medical diagnostic, medical device, chemical, biotechnology and supporting industries.
- The objective is to ensure that our workforce is appropriately skilled and equipped so that we remain competitive while facing ever increasing regulatory demands and pressures from lower cost economies.
- The Network will initially focus on providing specialised technical training to develop the basic scientific skills of operatives and to develop the laboratory skills of staff from entry-level to Ph.D. level. The proposed technical training is not readily accessible in this region, and we propose to develop and deliver the courses requested by healthcare companies in the Midlands.

# Member: NETS SKILLNET

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## Primary Focus of Network:

The primary focus of this Network is to address the skills gap among its members in the maintenance sector due to the introduction of new technologies and work practices by:

- Cross-skilling, re-skilling and enabling craftspeople to build a range of relevant skills to complement their core disciplines.
- Development of the new National Certificate in Maintenance Skills, a recent qualification on which NETS collaborated with TEEU, FETAC and ETS.

## Member: Northside Business SKILLNET



Network Name:	Northside Business Skillnet
Network ID:	F6048

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### Primary Focus of Network:

The overall aim of this Network is to afford local SME members the opportunity of accessing training related to their specific needs which they are currently unable to access due to cost, location or timing issues by:

- Providing tailored training responses, which address the skills gaps at an owner-manager and employee levels within small companies.
- Creating and maintaining a dynamic network environment, which will add value to the shared learning capacity of the Network members.
- Empowering the participating companies with skills and capabilities, which increases their competitive advantage, innovation ability and profitability within their own sectors.

## Member: PharmaChem SKILLNET



Network Name: PharmaChem Skillnet  
Network ID: F6041

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### Primary Focus of Network:

PharmaChem is a Pharmaceutical, Chemical and Medical Devices Sectoral Network mostly in the Southern region. We aim to identify and address the skills deficits in the sector, primarily focusing on:

- Providing training to re-skill, up-skill and (in certain disciplines/functions) to cross-skill employees. We also intend to provide a relevant level of Leadership training across a broad spectrum of employees and to provide Networking opportunities for all categories of employees.

## Member: Positive2Work SKILLNET



Network Name: Positive2Work Skillnet  
Network ID: F6044

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### Primary Focus of Network:

We aim:

- To create a Positive2Work environment
- To improve the quality of working life
- To assist companies to promote better work life balance
- To reduce absenteeism and downtime by managing stress better

We offer training in the following areas:

- Stress Management / Resilience training
- Work Life Balance

- Conflict Management / Problem Solving Skills
- Mediation
- Workforce / people management skills training
- Leadership training
- Communication Skills
- Diversity Management
- Mentoring & Coaching skills
- Partnership training
- Return on Investment

## Member: Print & Packaging SKILLNET



Network Name: Print & Packaging Skillnet  
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### Primary Focus of Network:

- The network is focused on the development of the technical, supervisory and managerial capability of its members.
- The emphasis is on technical skills development outside of the apprenticeship programme; supervisory development and the development of management skills with a view to delivering best practice.
- It is also focused on increasing the awareness and benefits of well-structured, relevant training.

## Member: Private Healthcare SKILLNET



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### Primary Focus of Network:

This network aims to address the urgent and strategic development of service provision and capability within the Private Nursing Care and Private Hospital sectors in the Irish economy by:

- Establishing a cohesive network of enterprises focused on shared development of their key resource – people.
- Promoting the pro-active development of effective training and development initiatives, demonstrating a commitment to enterprise led standards and quality.
- Building a continuing internalised infrastructure capable of defining and resolving future learning needs within the sector.
- Providing the impetus for improved networking and communication between organisations within the sector.

# Member: Refrigeration SKILLNET



Network Name: Refrigeration Skillnet  
Network ID: F6072

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## Primary Focus of Network:

Refrigeration Technology Skillnet is an enterprise-led training network for companies involved in the design, manufacture, installation and maintenance of refrigeration technology in Ireland. The network comprises 150 refrigeration engineering SMEs, mostly contractors, that provide both commercial and industrial refrigeration engineering services to Irish industry.

- Refrigeration Technology Skillnet aims to raise industry standards, develop continuing professional development opportunities for employees within the sector, and improve the competitiveness of our members in the face of increasing international competition. Our primary focus is on technical training for our members.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- To define and respond to the training needs of a broad enterprise grouping, with regional commonality (Roscommon and Leitrim) to improve the accessibility, economies of scale and flexibility of training delivery.
- Provision of innovative and integrated skills development programmes, specifically designed for a rural mixed enterprise context.
- Connect entrepreneurs and companies through networking opportunities.
- To integrate over 130 large & small companies in one network forum to share expertise, ideas, contacts and resources therein.
- To foster an enhanced sense of business community cohesiveness in the Roscommon / Leitrim region.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

The aim of SLM Manufacturers Skillnet is to enhance employability in its sector and beyond and thereby strengthen the viability of its respective businesses through five interlinked objectives:

- Equip a skills pool to positively tackle change issues.
- Develop strategies to shift from long-term low-skilled to flexible/ responsive high-skilled.
- Integrate new entrants to the labour market especially migrant workers - the new Irish.
- Provide greater choice in career paths and second careers for new entrants and returnees.
- Target new skills such as leadership, communication, diversity management, post craft-apprenticeship and adapting to change; and integrate these new skills with traditional industrial skills.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- The Software Skillnet is run by the member companies of the Irish Software Association - the principal trade association representing the software sector in Ireland.
- The Software Skillnet aims to provide a key mechanism for maintaining Ireland's role as a leading edge developer and producer of software product worldwide. The overall strategy and purpose of the ISA Skillnet is to deliver on the specific training needs identified in member Training Needs Analysis conducted in 2005.
- The Software Skillnet aims to build and grow the existing network through the development of sector-specific training programmes.

## Member: South Dublin Kildare SKILLNET



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### Primary Focus of Network:

The network has a clear focus around building the economic competitiveness of the South Dublin Kildare region through enhancing the leadership and management skills of the companies by focusing on:

- Developing the management and leadership capacities of the owner-managers of small firms and the management teams of large firms and MNCs in the region.
- Developing the skills of long-service engineering staff in the manufacturing sector to retain the manufacturing base which is under threat.
- Developing the management skills of firms in the equine sector to sustain employment, and develop greater leisure opportunities in the region.

## Member: South East Micro SKILLNET



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### Primary Focus of Network:

The training programmes to be delivered by the South East Micro Skillnet fall into 3 key categories:

- New Strategic Programmes for owner managers and key staff (for all members) (including; succession planning, applying innovation and creativity, developing satellite / hub teams, recognition of Prior learning mentor training)
- Already developed Strategic Programmes for owner managers and key staff (to be delivered to new members) including: strategic planning and development, strategic marketing, project and contract management.
- Certified Key capacity building Training Programmes for Staff, including: 'Making your experience count', 'Facilitator skills for team leaders', literacy/numeracy training, and computer training.

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## Primary Focus of Network:

The primary focus for the Space Industry Skillnet is the development of the key skills within companies that are required to supply the European Space Agency (ESA) with technology and services at the highest level possible and participate in international collaborations. This will be achieved by focusing on:

- Providing a training platform that caters for specific specialised space industry and general business development needs of network member companies.
- Leveraging the buying power of the Training Network to provide specialised relevant training in Ireland.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- To provide a vehicle for manufacturing focused companies to share their training requirements, discuss alternatives and options with other network participants and ultimately satisfy training needs by delivering tailor-made training locally at substantially reduced costs.
- Focus on operatives in manufacturing businesses and use a training methodology that overcomes barriers to life-long learning for low basic skilled employees.
- Develop and support both the laboratory and food clusters within the network and facilitate groups to identify and deliver training solutions that match their actual requirements.
- Work with neighbouring and associated Skillnets' Networks with a view to increasing cooperation, collaboration and partnership.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

- The overriding purpose of the Western ICT is to promote a culture of learning throughout the ICT industry in the region. This highly competitive sector demands that companies stay up-to-date and in tune with the very latest technological advancements. With increasing threat from emerging economies, it is particularly important that the region becomes pivotal in retaining Ireland as world innovation leaders in the ICT sector. To that end, the region needs to retain the talent and knowledge base and avoid attrition by developing comprehensive training programs.

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### Primary Focus of Network:

This Network of companies is based in Co. Wicklow, and has come together through local Chambers of Commerce in Bray, Greystones, Wicklow town and Arklow to access training across a number of sectors. The primary focus of this Network is to:

- Provide training to a mixed base of companies in Co. Wicklow as a whole, focusing on management development training, instructor training courses and industry specific courses related to the Pharma and hospitality sector.

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Other key objectives include:

- To make Irish wireless companies more competitive in International markets.
- To create and encourage a more dynamic Irish based network of wireless businesses' through offering high quality training and knowledge sharing events.
- To provide a focus for training and excellence in Irish wireless companies.
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