

Ennis Chamber Breakfast Briefing to showcase reward for jobs initiative

Significant financial reward for County Clare people helping to create new jobs – this is the theme of an Ennis Chamber of Commerce breakfast briefing about ConnectIreland, an Irish Government job creation initiative, on Tuesday, 17th July from 7.45 to 9.00 am in The Old Ground Hotel, O’Connell Street Ennis, Co Clare.

Business people from County Clare will have the opportunity to learn how their professional and personal contacts both in Ireland and overseas could help create new jobs with ConnectIreland.

Implementing a unique referral model ConnectIreland is asking individuals to use their contacts, family, friends and business connections, to identify and make introductions between ConnectIreland and overseas companies that are considering international expansion.

Any individual who introduces a company that subsequently invests and creates new jobs in Ireland will receive a minimum reward of €1,500 per job up to a maximum of 100 jobs.

IDA Ireland has appointed ConnectIreland to deliver the Succeed in Ireland initiative as part of the Irish Government’s Action Plan for Jobs 2012 and aims to create a minimum of 5,000 new jobs over five years.

Ennis Chamber CEO, Rita McInerney said, “ConnectIreland is a simple call to action asking people to work together to help create new jobs. Everyone has contacts overseas and now is the time to see if we can draw on these connections to help create new jobs in Ireland. I would urge everyone in Clare to get involved in this initiative. Already many international companies have located here and we can attract more investment through this referral programme.”

ConnectIreland welcomed its first success story in May when US engineering firm Intergeo Services announced the creation of 30 jobs in County Carlow with the establishment of their European Headquarters. The jobs came to Carlow after a local man, Eddie Horkan, heard about the ConnectIreland programme and through his own business contacts made an introduction between Intergeo Services and ConnectIreland. Under the initiative Mr. Horkan will receive a payment of €45,000 from the Irish Government over the next few years for helping to bring the new jobs to Ireland.

Overseas companies expanding to County Clare will be keeping good company as the county hosts a number of multinational corporations such as Intel, Zimmer, Lufthansa Technik, Molex and many others.

For further information about ConnectIreland see www.connectireland.com

To register your attendance to the Ennis Chamber Breakfast Briefing please RSVP to Ennis Chamber by calling 065 6842988 or email events@ennischamber.ie

There will be an opportunity for businesses to network and meet other local businesses at the event.

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