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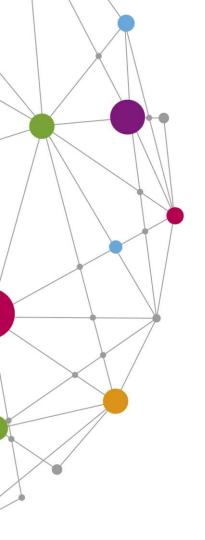
Director of Business Development at Failte Ireland

Business Tourism Overview

Think Global Act Local.





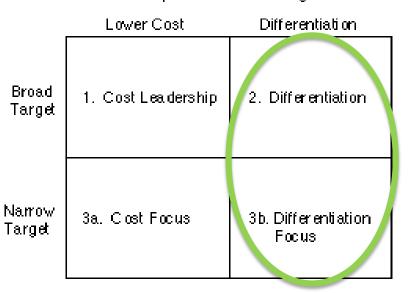


Scope

Competitive

The Development Agenda

Competitive Advantage

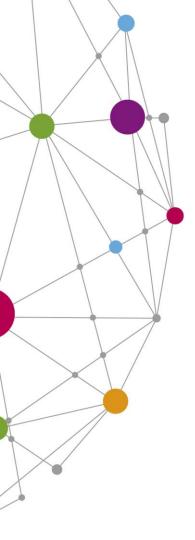


Ireland Inc. Focus:

- The 'must have' product
- Industry capability
- New experiences
- Better business processes





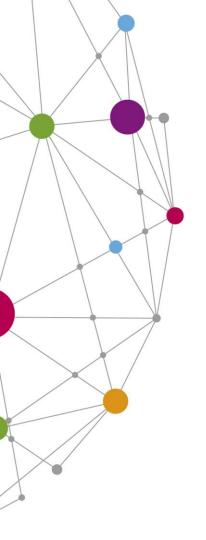


Meet the Business Tourism & Events Teams









Business Tourism Working Group





















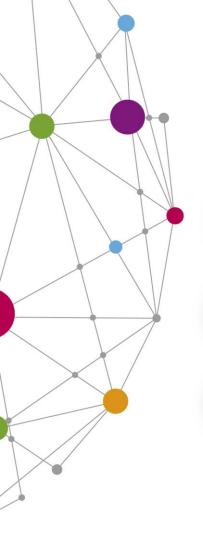






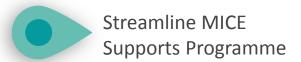


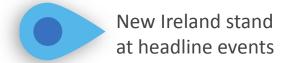




Business Tourism Working Group

Championing Projects







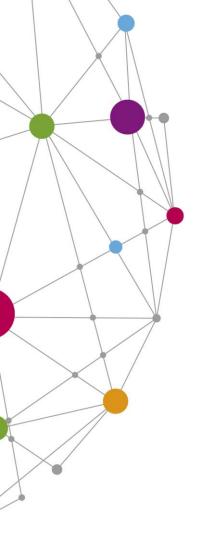










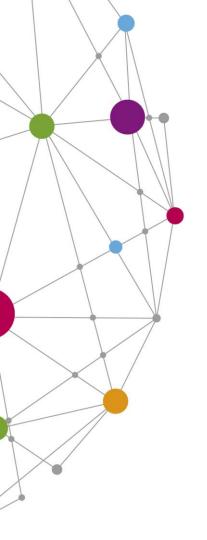


Business tourists (000s) to Ireland 2011-2015

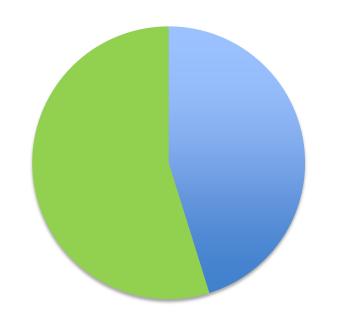








Business tourists (000s) to Ireland 2015



Promotable BT in 2015 worth

€340m

Percentage influenced by BT

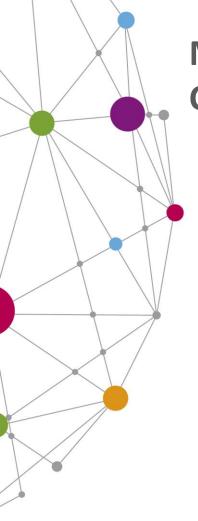
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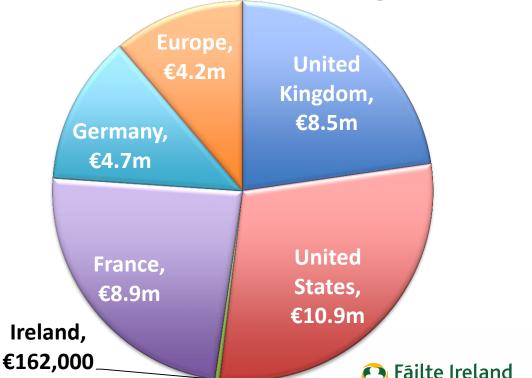








Market of Origin of Meet in Ireland Corporate & Incentive Leads generated

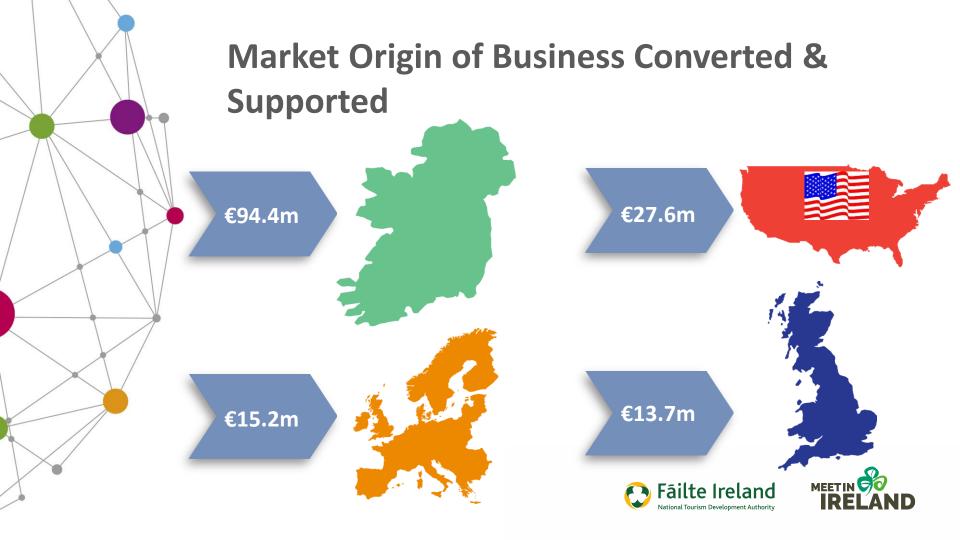




Market of Origin of Meet in Ireland Association Conference Leads generated



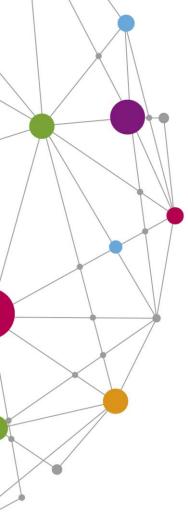




Challenges to Conversion

- Economic & Political uncertainty
- Prices on the rise
- City Availability
- Wow Gala Venues
- Unique Incentive Experiences





Business Tourism & Events Budget

Meet in Ireland

• Fáilte Ireland Leads Generation €1.4m

• Fáilte Ireland Lead Conversion €2m

Tourism Ireland Market based leads generation €1.05m

Dublin Convention Bureau €550K

• Event Ireland €1.47m

Total

€6.55m





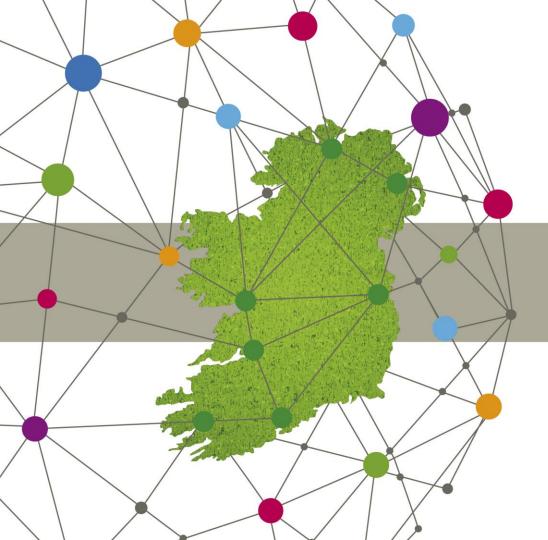


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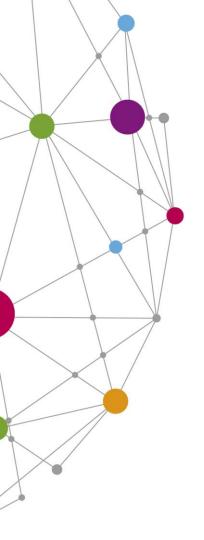
Ciara Gallagher

Head of Business Tourism & Events

Think Global Act Local.







Growing Conference, Meetings& Incentive Travel to Ireland











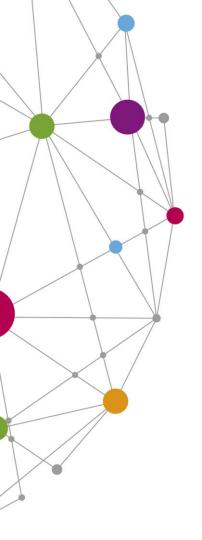
Maximise Lead Generation Activities

Improve Conversion Rates

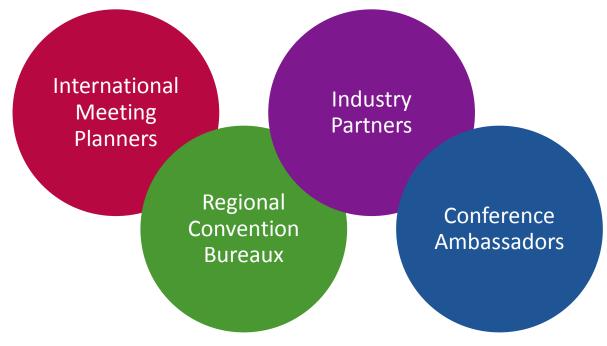
Grow Regional Ireland

Trade Capability Building



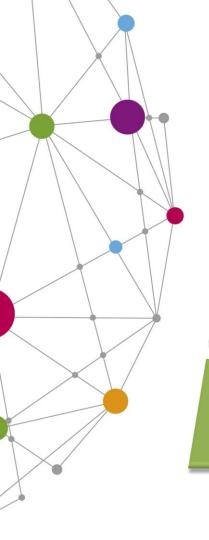


Collaborative Approach









Key Work Streams

1 Business Tourism Strategy 40 International Sales Platforms

1 New Website

7+ FAMs

15 Ambassador Recruit Events 2 Lead Generation Agencies

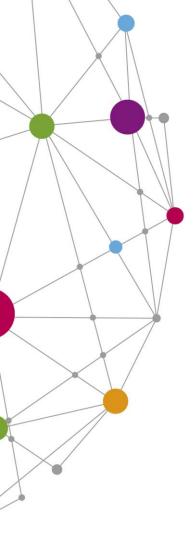
€1.4m MICE Supports 300+ Site Inspections

3 Educational Platforms









40 International Sales Platforms

Focus on best prospects

New stand at Headline Events

More speed dating

Focus on Forum

New channels to market









Conference Ambassador



academia, science, technology, sport, medicine, law and business... who have potential influence over their Authority international Association's choice of conference destination.



2 lead generation agencies

International Researchers research and identify potential conferences and ambassadors

Focus on larger events

Grow Regional Conference Ambassador Club





Conference Ambassador Recruitment Events



Inaugural event at RHK

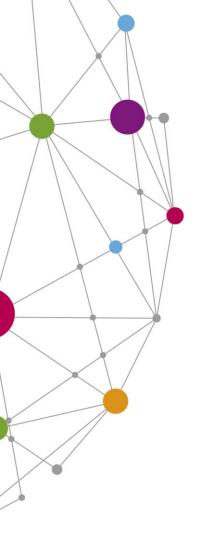
79 Awardees

25 'hotties'

Going national







Targeting Association
Conferences

2015 ICCA Rankings

Galway, Limerick, and Cork all featured Ireland up 1 to 19 in Europe

Ireland up 5 to 32 worldwide

Dublin up 6 to

18
worldwide

Dublin up 3 to 14 in Europe





The Meet in Ireland Brand Promise

ENGAGE. ENERGISE. EXCEL.

Ireland's dynamic people, culture and landscape collectively empower you to create immersive meetings, incentives, conferences, and events that motivate and invigorate.







Digital Platforms

New MICE Website

#MakeItIreland

Online RFP platforms



















Shopping

Spend

14%





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Accomodation





Food & Drink

Spend

23%





Source: Ipsos MRBI Business Delegates Expenditure Survey 2016



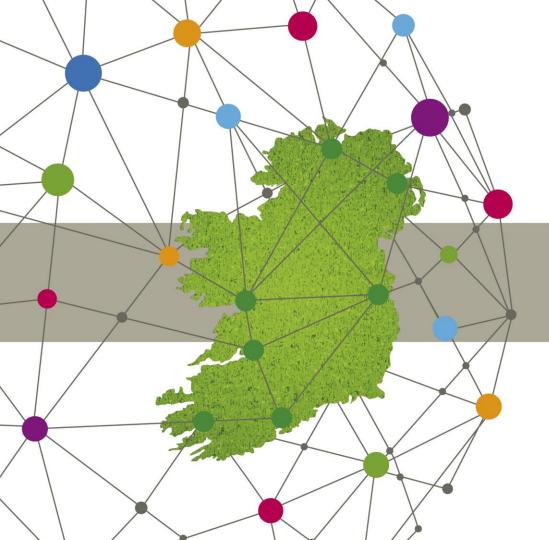


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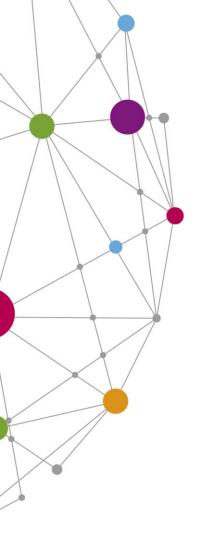
Mark Henry

Tourism Ireland Director of Central Marketing

Think Global Act Local.







Meet In Ireland International Activity

- Providing quality PLATFORMS for Irish Industry matching with qualified MICE buyers in the market through a series of opportunities and events in market.
- Continue to BUILD AWARENESS of Ireland as a world-class destination business tourism destination.
- Gain MARKET INSIGHTS for best prospects for Ireland.
- Focus on the meetings and incentive target segments in relevant markets.
- Continue to build strong relationships with buyers and provide educational visits.
- Continue to ENGAGE and work with leading intermediaries and agencies.
- Maintain successful LEAD GENERATION.













JAN 2016

£100 = €143

\$100 = £64

JAN 2017

£100 = €115

\$100 = £83







Why go to Dublin and pay £5 for a pint of Guinness when you can get one for £3.20 here in London?

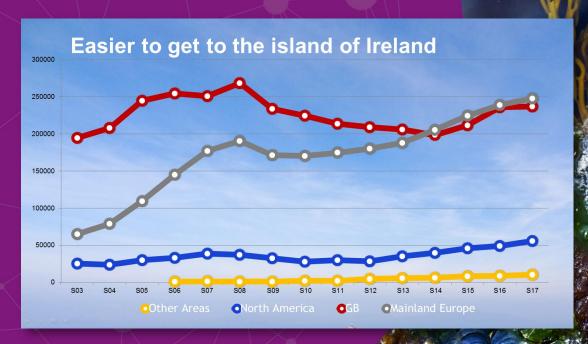




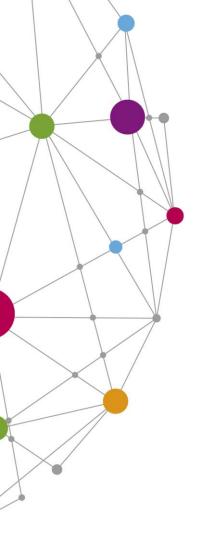












Great Britain 2017

MII Meets in London

Headline event in London, following 6 years success of Ireland Meets the West End.

MII Meets the North of England

Identify best agency and corporate meeting planners in the North of England. Workshop followed by dinner with Irish food and entertainment in a prestigious venue.

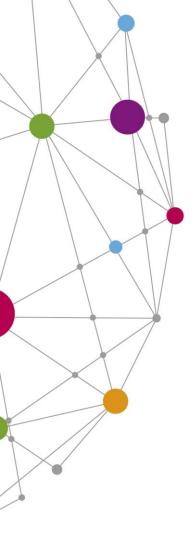
MII Meets Scotland

Following research into potential for Ireland – MII will Identify buyers and agents in Glasgow and Edinburgh. Workshop and dinner. Highlighting regions of Ireland, WAW and IAE as options for incentives and corporate meetings.









Great Britain 2017

Forums and Workshops

Series of face to face promotions and networking events. Including: C&IT Agency Forum, Event 360, Incentive Retreat

Ezines and Newsletters

Monthly ezine to 3000 key contacts in database. Opportunity to create awareness of MICE product outside of Dublin, promoting access into regions and corporate supports available.

Advertorial brand campaign

M⁢ C&IT & Venues and Events. Sponsorships with key industry groups with ability to provide introductions to key buyers. Oysters; SITE; IIBN.

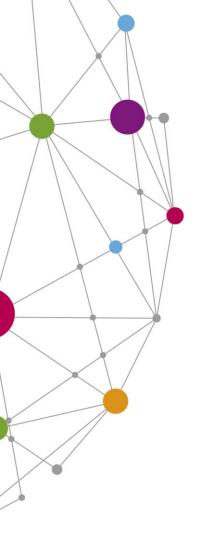
Fam Trips

Recruitment and flights for Regional Fam trip for 10 agents with new potential for Ireland raising awareness of Ireland as excellent MICE destination.









United States 2017

- IMEX America 2017, Las Vegas
- PCMA Convening Leaders Conference, Austin (Jan)
 PCMA Edu Conference,
 New York, New York (Jun)
- Incentive Live, Las Vegas
- SMU, New York
- Meeting & Incentive Forums, Cancun
- Meet in Ireland Networking/Sales Mission
- MICE Fam Trip
- BT Quarterly Ezines
- Customized eblasts to third party/trade
 Publication databases/webinar



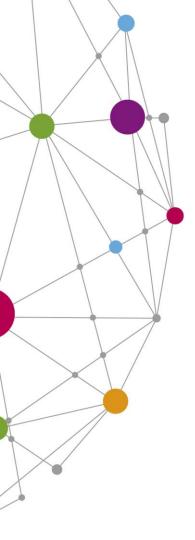












Canada 2017

Canada 2017 Canada sales mission

2 days of sales calls in Toronto and surrounding cities including a Meet in Ireland networking event.

MICE fam trip

Target 8 buyers with new potential for Ireland for a regional fam trip.

Meet in Ireland quarterly e-zine

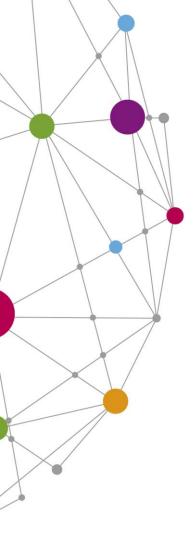
Share industry news and new product developments with targeted database in Canada.











France 2017

In Market Platforms

- MICE Show Pure International Paris Feb.
- MICE Ireland Workshop at the Embassy, Paris Nov.
- MICE Sales missions 'l'Irlande en France' 3x2 days
- Series of 6 days sales missions targeting cities with easy access to Ireland – April, May & Q4.

Familiarsation Visit

- September / October 2017
- 6 Buyers
- Dublin & Gateway.

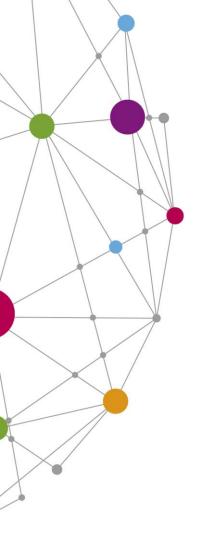
On Line

 Customized e-blasts to third party/trade Publication databases/webinar/improving MII digital visibility, increasing qualified site traffic.









Germany 2017

MICE PEAK 2017 - Malta

4 day Programme including one to one appointments, group presentations & networking events.

Ireland Meets Germany

- Spring & Autumn 2 events
- Workshop & Networking

Ireland at the Proms 2017 – City Tbc

- MII workshop & networking
- MICE BOAT 2017
- 9-12 September 2017
- Educational, appointments, networking

FAMILIARSATION VISIT 2017

- September / October 2017
- Region TBC



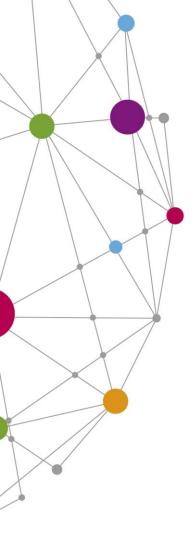












Belgium 2017

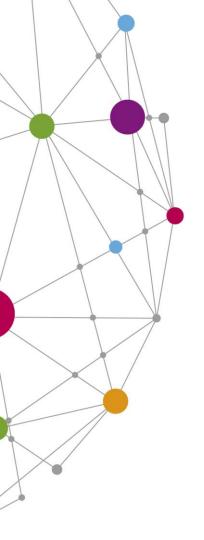
- BT Association Session 2017, Brussels
- European Association Summit, Brussels
- BT Flagship Networking Event, Brussels
- **BT Networking Lunch**, Brussels
- 2 x BT Association sector specific
 FAM'S 2017:
 - IT/Tech Association FAM 14-16 February
 - Agricultural Association FAM Q3
- EZINE Quarterly BT Ezines to warm database
- Strategic Partnership with UIA

 (Union of International Associations) in
 Belgium. UIA Round Table Sponsorship –
 includes participation at Annual Conference
 Workshop for 90 Intl Assoc Buyers in Q4









Meet In Ireland International Activity

- A more challenging year given our resources and the Brexit impact.
- However Ireland has momentum and continued strong air access growth.
- A comprehensive overseas programme is designed to deliver more for less.





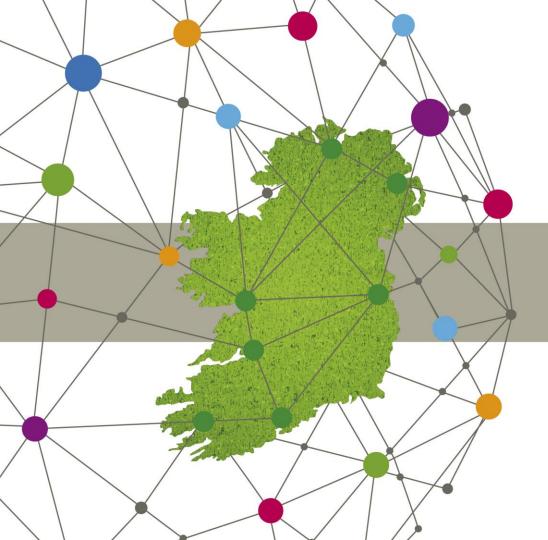


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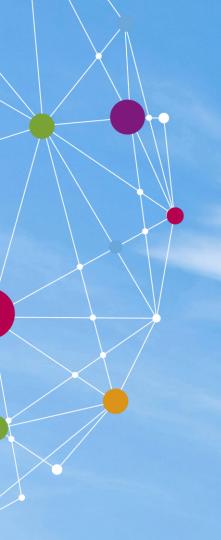
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Outlook



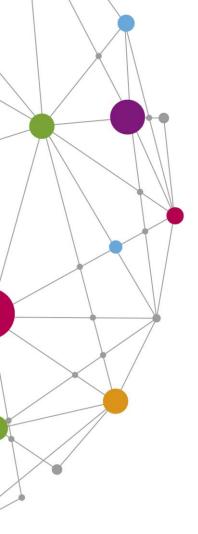
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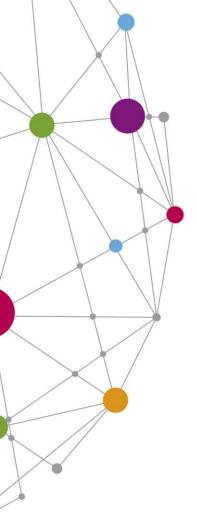
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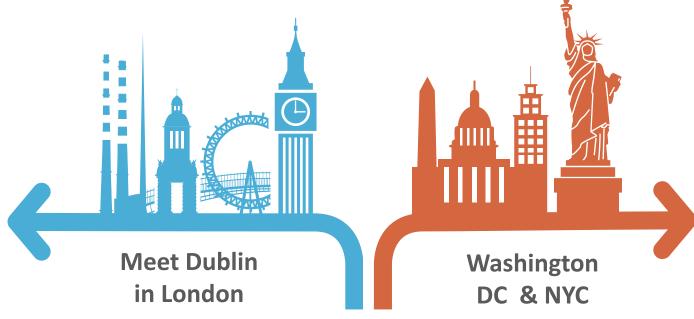
RFP Info	Jan-15 - Dec-15	Jan-16 - Dec-16	% Change YOY
Total RFPs	68	103	51%
Total Room Nights	38,537	70,700	83%
Total RFP Value	\$13,314,615	\$25,358,717	90%
Unique RFPs in City	495	695	40%
Unique Room Nights in City	190,418	260,981	37%
Awarded RFPs in City	150	243	62%
Awarded Room Nights in City	13,415	14,812	10%





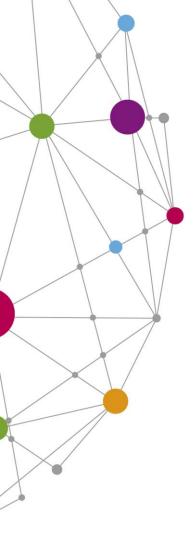


Key Activities









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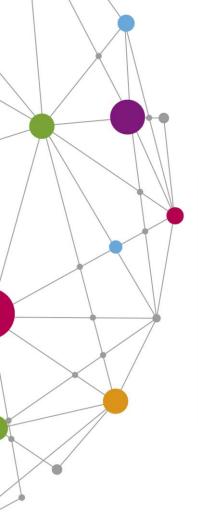
Breakfast Briefings

MakeItDublin









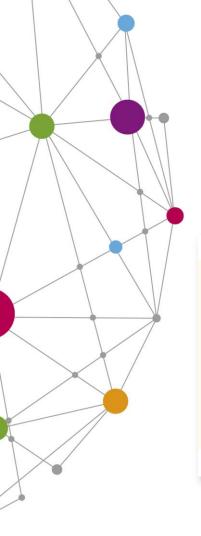
New Collateral – Print











New Collateral – Print

OUR EXPERT PANEL OF DMCs

Entertainment Agencies



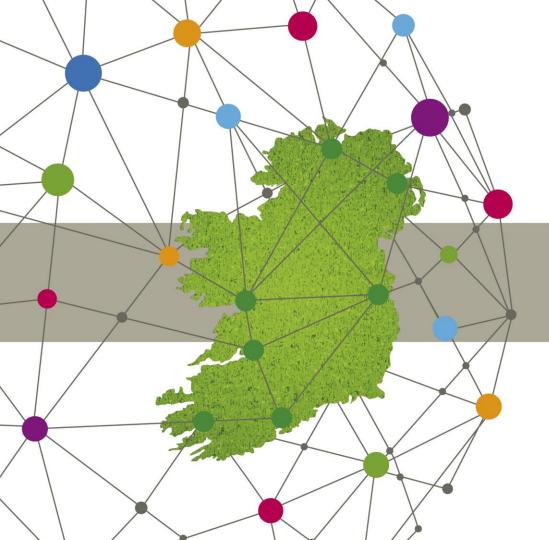




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Azeta Seery

Event Ireland Officer

Think Global Act Local.









Event Ambassador Programme

- 1 Be available for Bidding
- 2 Deliver international bednights
- 3 Significant Economic Impact
- 4 No Infrastructural Additions
- 5 Private Sector Investment
- 6 Sufficient Lead in Time
- 7 Have a local Event Ambassador









2016 Event Ireland Supported events

Bid Material

Bid Travel to preceding event

Fam Trip/Site inspection

Support letters

Introduction to Trade Experts

1,150 visitors

10.5K bednights



Event Ireland wins in 2016

2020

U19 World Lacrosse Championships 5000 bednights

2017

Junior Touch Championships 2,000 bednights 2017

JKA Ireland World Karate Championships 3,200 bednights 2017

Women's Rugby World Cup

2017

World BBQ Championships 1,800 bednights 2017

World Irish Dancing Championships 35,000 bednights 2018

Coupe de la Jeunesse - Rowing Championships 1,800 bednights 2019

U19 World Lacrosse Championships 600 bednights





Event Ireland Events 2017

12 Supported Events

Grand Masters Hockey Celtic Cup – Co. Cork 52nd European Sandyacht Championships - Meath

80,000 bednights

World Youth Course Fishing Championships – Cork

FEI European Jnr Eventing Championship - Cork

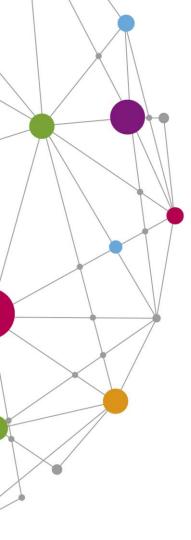
International Taekwondo Federation ITF World Championships – Co. Dublin

Value: €6.7m

Women's Rugby World Cup - Dublin International Karate Union World Championships - Kilkenny







Event Ireland Pipeline

61 events

100,000 International Visitors

Est. €60.5m























EVENT IRELAND 2017 Activity

- Lead Generation Pipeline of events to 2024
- Partnership, Collaboration & Relationship Building
- Recruitment events/ Fam Trips
 IF's / Event Owners
- Research, Review & Refine





