

Title of Report:	Conferences Courses
Committee Report Submitted To:	Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	7 March 2023
For Decision or For Information	For Decision

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)	
Strategic Theme	All themes
Outcome	All outcomes
Lead Officer	Chief Executive

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	Nil
Included in Current Year Estimates	
Capital/Revenue	
Code	
Staffing Costs	

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:

1.0 Purpose of report

The purpose of the report is to inform Elected Members of conferences and courses they may wish to attend.

Elected Members should contact Democratic Services to register interest.

2.0 The following is listed:

2.1 Future Opportunities in the Cross-Border Economy Conference

Venue: Carrickdale Hotel & Spa, Dundalk

Date: Wednesday 8th March 2023

Time: 9 am – 1 pm

Delegate Fee: Free

Programme and Conference Theme attached

3.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that Council consider the Conference listed.

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE CROSS-BORDER ECONOMY CONFERENCE

DATE: Wednesday 8th March 2023
TIME: 9am - 1pm
COST: FREE
VENUE: Carrickdale Hotel & Spa

PROGRAMME

- 08:45** Introduction by MC, Mark Simpson, Broadcaster & Journalist
- 08:50** Welcome by Cllr Conor Keelan, Cathaoirleach of Louth County Council
- 08:55** Welcome by Cllr Michael Savage, Chairperson of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
- 09:00** Address by Simon Coveney TD, Minister for Enterprise, Trade & Employment
- 09:10** Address by Government Representative (UK) - TBC

THEME 1: BUSINESS SUPPORTS

- 09:20** **Cross-Border Trade & Supports Available for Businesses**
Colin McCabrey, Director of Trade, InterTradeIreland
- 09:35** **Supports Available Businesses in the Republic of Ireland**
Riona McCoy, Acting Head of Enterprise, Louth Local Enterprise Office
- 09:45** **Supports Available from Enterprise Ireland**
Deirdre Craven, Senior Regional Development Executive, Enterprise Ireland
- 10:00** **Future Challenges & Opportunities for Businesses in Northern Ireland**
Conor Patterson, Chief Executive, Newry & Mourne Co-operative and Enterprise Agency
- 10:15** **Tea/Coffee Break & Exhibition Area**

THEME 2: SKILLS & PEOPLE

- 10:45** **Stronger Together, Demystifying Employer Engagement with DkIT**
Aidan Browne, Head of Innovation & Business Development, DkIT
- 11:00** **Kaseya - The Story So Far**
Shane Mulholland, Senior VP Operations & Global Head of Recruitment, Kaseya
- 11:20** **Modelling Productivity Levels in NI & ROI Report Findings**
Professor Seamus McGuinness, Trinity College Dublin

THEME 3: SUSTAINABILITY IN ACTION

- 11:40** **The Sustainability Journey at DELI-LITES Ireland**
Cathal McDonnell, Operations & Technical Director, DELI-LITES Ireland

THEME 4: THE ALL-IRELAND ECONOMY

- 12:00** **The Economic Outlook**
Oliver Mangan, Chief Economist, AIB
- 12:20** **Roundtable Discussion on Skills, Productivity, Sustainability & Collaboration**
- 12:50** **Conference Closes**