



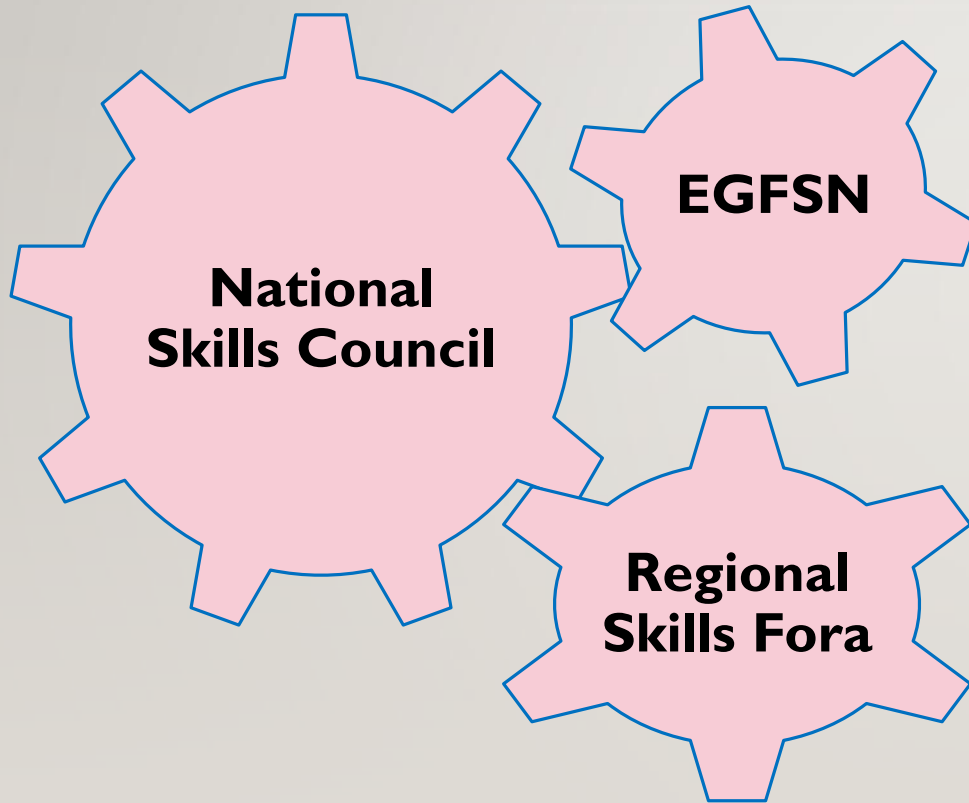
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NATIONAL SKILLS STRATEGY: ARCHITECTURE



National Skills Council: oversee research, advise on prioritisation of skills needs and how to secure delivery.

EGFSN: research and analysis

Regional Skills Fora: structured dialogue on needs, informed by research and local analysis

NATIONAL SKILLS COUNCIL KEY AMBITIONS

- Doubling the number of traineeship and apprenticeship places to 14,000, with 20% of schoolleavers pursuing this route
- Providing for 50,000 upskilling and reskilling places over the next 5 years to meet identified skills gaps in the economy
- Supporting an increase in Lifelong Learning from 6% to 10%
- Accommodating an expected 25% growth in enrolment in HEIs
- Building a skills infrastructure at regional level that can underpin sustainable regional development
- Increasing the numbers of entrants studying on a flexible basis (online, part-time) by 25%
- Increasing the number of students undertaking a work placement or work based project as part of their course by 25%
- Increasing new research enrolments by 30%

LONGFORD UPDATE

- New Apprenticeships – Robotics Technician LWETB
- Cameron – Conversion into Medtech sector – Quality
 - Running in Longford – Skillnets
- Springboard Courses – 3 courses starting Oct 2017
 - Certificate in Operations, Quality and Lean Management
 - Certificate in BioPharmaChem and Med-Technology
- Pilot Commuters Survey in conjunction with Longford Chamber & Longford Council

CENTER PARCS UPDATE

- Skillsets, training and recruitment discussed – May
 - Met with key stakeholders e.g. LWETB, AIT, IDA
- Training courses/modules and recruitment – September
 - Looking at Cavan, Roscommon & Offaly
- Weekly updates with the UK team

MIDLANDS REGIONAL SKILLS FORUM

Sectors 2017



Skills Data



Events



*Midlands Networking
Within Industry Events*

*Longford
Laois
Offaly*

Industry Advisory Groups



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