#WhyIreland is the Global Location of Choice for Talent and Innovation

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Where Talent Wants to Live and Stay

- Irish workers most productive in the world (as reported by the OECD)
- Ireland ranked 4th out of 38 countries for education (as reported by OECD)
- Ireland is ranked 8th in the world for quality of life, according to the United Nations
- 63% of 25-34 year olds have attained third level education (the EU average is 41%) (CSO)
- By 2040 1/3 of the population will be under 25 – one of the youngest populations in Europe (proportionally)
- Ireland has the 4th most international workforce in the EU

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A Stable, Rules-based Democracy at the Centre of Global Trade

- Ireland is the only English-speaking, common law trade and investment gateway to the EU – which is at the heart of the world's largest set of free-trade agreements
- Ireland's National Development Plan will deliver €116bn in public infrastructure and capital works

- Ireland has comprehensive global air connectivity and offers the only US pre-clearance facilities in Europe
- Successive Irish administrations have implemented enterprise-friendly policies including employment laws
- 1 out of every 6 children born in Ireland are born to non-Irish born parents
- Ireland was the first democracy globally to vote for marriage equality
- Ireland saw the largest reduction in income inequality from one generation to the next according to the OECD

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A Country with a Passion for Skills and Innovation

- Ireland offers a 25% Research & Development tax credit
- Ireland is home to 17 world-class research centres
- Ireland is engaged in over 2,700 research collaborations with over 75 countries
- Ireland is ranked 1st in the world for knowledge diffusion and 5th for knowledge absorption



FACTS & FIGURES

About US-Ireland Trade and Investment

- Ireland is the 9th biggest investor in the United States
- Over 650 Irish companies have operations across all 50 States, employing 100,000 people
- US companies employ 209,000 people in Ireland and a further 167,000 indirectly
- Spend of US multinationals in the Irish economy in 2021:
 - €14.1bn on payroll
 - €7.9bn on capital expenditure
 - €8.7bn on goods and services
- 1 out of every 3 US multinationals in Ireland have been here for more than 20 years
- Ireland is home to 9 of the top 10 US technology companies, 9 of the top 10 pharma companies, and 14 of the top 15 MedTech companies
- Over 30 million US citizens claim Irish heritage
- 80% of the goods produced by US multinationals in Ireland are exported to markets outside North America



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#WhyWestNorthWest Region is a great place to live and work

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- · A fantastic quality of life!
- World famous surfing spots in Donegal, Sligo and Mayo
- 29 Blue Flag Beaches
- 76% of people who moved to Galway or Mayo said their work life balance improved since moving (Collins McNicholas Galway-Mayo Relocation Survey)
- Highly educated workforce with over 10,000 students graduating in the region each year
- The population growth estimates for Roscommon (8.4%) were above the 7.6% national average (preliminary results of Census 2022)

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- Ireland West Airport offering connectivity across Europe; Transatlantic connectivity from Shannon Airport; Donegal airport offering connectivity to Dublin
- Some of the world's most scenic and unspoiled landscapes, including the Wild Atlantic Way; the Connemara Coast; the Aran Islands, Croagh Patrick, Lough Key and Europe's tallest sea cliffs at Slieve League
- Rich cultural life Yeats Country; Galway Arts Festival; Glenties Summer School
- · Among the shortest commute times in

the country – with Mayo, Sligo, Donegal, Galway and Roscommon all reported an average commute of less than 26 minutes (CSO 2016)

• House prices below the national average (CSO 2022)

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- World class Higher Education Institutions including National University of Ireland Galway (Sunday Times University of the Year 2022) and Atlantic Technological University (8 campuses and over 20,000 students in 2021)
- Globally leading Research Centres including CÚRAM (with 650+ researchers designing and manufacturing implants to respond to the body's environment); Insight (one of the largest data analytics centres in Europe with 450 researchers and 80+ industry partners)
- Significant multinational presence including global leaders in MedTech; Financial Services; Technology and Gaming
- Award winning and dedicated support agencies including the Western Development Commission and West and Northwest Regional Skills Forums
- A heavy concentration of connected hubs and incubation spaces
- Home to clusters of MNCs driving innovation – i.e. MedTech in Galway



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Global Business Conference 29 March, Croke Park, Dublin

Annual Dinner & US-Ireland Business Awards 19 May, Clayton Burlington Hotel, Dublin

West-North-West Conference & Dinner 15 June, Galmont Hotel, Galway

Independence Day Lunch 4 July, Clayton Burlington Hotel, Dublin

Southern Conference & Dinner 28 September, Maryborough Hotel, Cork

Mid-West Conference & Dinner 19 October Conference: Analog Devices, Limerick Dinner: Thomond Park, Limerick

Thanksgiving Day Lunch 23 November, Clayton Burlington Hotel, Dublin



- US Treasury Secretary Janet L. Yellen | Dublin. Nov. '21

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