



## **Workability International Conference 2010**

**incorporating the Workability Europe  
Conference 2010**

## **Conference Agenda**



**Monday, 27th September 2010**

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| <p><b>17.00 – 20.00</b></p> | <p><b>Conference Venue, Burlington Hotel<br/>         Registration</b></p> <p>Delegates are encouraged to register for the conference at this time to avoid delays on Tuesday morning</p> |
| <p><b>18.30 – 19.30</b></p> | <p><b>Welcome Reception</b></p> <p>Delegates are invited to attend a welcome reception in the Bellini Bar.</p>  |



| Tuesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2010                        |   |   |
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| 8.00  | Registration  | Conference Registration will open at 8.00   |
| <b>Opening Session Chair: Michael Horgan, Rehab Enterprises</b> |   |   |
| Time  | Session   | Speaker   |
| <b>9.00</b><br><b>Lansdowne Suite</b>                           | Official conference opening   | <b>Frank Flannery</b> , President, Workability International                                  |
|   | Opening address<br>Welcome to Ireland   | <b>Angela Kerins</b> , Chief Executive, Rehab Group (host organisation).                      |
| <b>9.55</b>   | Keynote address<br>The Social Enterprise movement and the employment of people with disabilities. | <b>Jerr Boschee</b><br>Founder and Executive Director, The Institute for Social Entrepreneurs |
| <b>10.40</b>  | Break   |   |
| <b>11.15</b>  | Keynote address<br>What does economic recovery look like?   | <b>Dan O'Brien</b><br>Economics Editor, The Irish Times                                       |
| <b>12.00</b>  | Interlude   |   |
| <b>12.05</b>  | Disability and Employment throughout the world today – Understanding where we are now             | <b>Angela Kerins</b><br>Chief Executive, Rehab Group  |
| <b>12.45</b>  | Lunch   | <b>Sussex Restaurant</b>  |



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| Afternoon Session Chair: Ian Terry, Workability Oceania |  |  |
| Time  | Session  | Speaker  |
| 14.00   | Global, economic development – future opportunities in employment  | <b>John Bruton</b><br>Former Prime Minister of Ireland and former EU Ambassador to the US  |
| 14.45   | Break  |  |
| 15.15<br><br>Lansdowne Suite                            | <b>Learning from Experiences:</b><br><br>Countries share their experiences of models of support for the employment of people with disabilities | 1. The Polish Experience<br><br>2. The USA Experience<br><b>Rick Sebastian</b> , Human Technologies Corporation, USA<br><br>3. The Irish Experience<br><b>Mairead Conroy</b> , Rehab Enterprises |
| 16.45   | Rapporteur   |  |
| 17.00 / 17.15   | Close of session   | <b>Ian Terry</b> , Workability Oceania   |
| 20.00<br>Herbert Suite<br>Burlington Hotel              | Informal evening   | Celtic Rising Show<br><br>This show is a celebration of the best of Irish heritage and culture. Dinner will be served during the performance.  |



| Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2010                  |  |   |
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| Morning Session Chair: Jim McClelland, Workability Americas |  |   |
| Time  | Session  | Speaker   |
| 9.00  | Welcome by the chair of this session   | <b>Jim McClelland</b><br>Workability Americas   |
| 9.10<br>Lansdowne Suite                                     | Addressing the barriers to employing people with disabilities: Three initiatives | <b>1. The Doorways Programme</b><br><b>Karen Febey &amp; Steve Daley</b><br>Devonfield Training and Employment Services, Australia<br><br><b>2. The ABLE Awards</b><br><b>Irene Collins</b> , Excellence Ireland<br><br><b>3. Paving the way with ICT</b><br><b>Riita Hellman and Gro Marit Rodevand</b> , Karde AS, Norway |
| 10.15   | Disability at Work - looking to the future                                       | <b>Max Dyason</b> , Bedford Group, Australia<br><b>Sally Powell</b> , General manager, Human Services   |
| 10.55   | Break  |   |



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| 11.15                                      | Experience of Developing a new business model    | <b>Gidget Hopf</b> , The Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired-Goodwill Industries, USA   |
| 11.45                                      | Parallel sessions<br><br><b>New market areas</b> | <b>1. Green economy</b><br>1. <b>Martin Reddy</b> , Rehab Recycle<br>2. <b>Peter Fraher</b> , Abilities Incorporated, New Zealand<br><br>Location: Lansdowne Suite  |
|  |  | <b>2. Technology - The Microsoft Academy</b><br>1. Microsoft<br>2. <b>Sam Humphries</b> , USEL<br>3. <b>David Muldoon</b> , National Learning Network<br><br>Location: Ulster Suite   |
|  |  | <b>3. Public procurement opportunities</b><br>To include the following speakers<br>1. <b>Robert E. Chamberlin</b> , NISH<br>2. <b>Marjatta Varanka</b> , VATES Foundation<br>3. <b>Patrick Maher</b> , NDS Australia<br><br>Location: Munster Suite |
| 13.00                                      | Lunch  | Sussex Restaurant   |



| Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2010                |   |   |
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| Afternoon session Chair: Seikaku Suzuki, Workability Asia |   |   |
| Time  | Session   | Speaker   |
| 14.00   | Parallel sessions<br><br>The employment of people with disabilities | <b>1. Enabling people to access work opportunities</b><br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Alain Couture</b>, FEGAPEI, France</li> <li>• <b>Jason McKey</b>, Job Placement, Australia</li> </ul> Location: Lansdowne Suite |
|   |   | <b>2. Job retention for those with acquired disability</b><br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wolfgang Zimmerman</b>, NIDMAR, Canada</li> <li>• <b>Rolf Salo</b>, SALO Holdings AG</li> </ul> Location: Ulster Suite      |
|   |   | <b>3. Training for the future</b><br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speaker from TBG Learning, UK</li> </ul> Location: Munster Suite  |
| 15.15   | Break   |   |
| 15.30   | The Role of Workability International                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Frank Flannery</b>, President, Workability International</li> <li>• <b>Patrick Maher</b>, Vice President, Workability International</li> </ul>  |
| 16.30 – 17.30   | Workability International AGM                                       |   |
| 19.00   | Travel to Trinity College Dublin                                    | Coach departs from Burlington Hotel for Trinity College   |
| 19.30   | Formal Evening  | Drinks Reception followed by dinner at 20.00  |



| <b>Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> September 2010</b>                         |   |                                       |
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| <b>Time</b>   | <b>Session</b>  | <b>Speaker</b>                        |
| <b>Morning Session Chair: Hans Vrind, President, Workability Europe</b> |   |                                       |
| <b>9.00</b>   | The Road to Recovery in a difficult Environment                           | <b>Birgitta Bohlin</b> , CEO Samhall, |
| <b>9.40</b>   | The Recovery approach to Mental Health- its implications for employment   | Speaker to be confirmed               |
| <b>10.15</b>  | The importance of education to the employment of people with disabilities | Speaker to be confirmed               |
| <b>10.50</b>  | A multi-national company's perspective on the new world economy           | Speaker to be confirmed.              |
| <b>11.30</b>  | Formal Conference Close   |                                       |
| <b>12.00</b>  | Lunch   | Sussex Restaurant                     |

| <b>Agenda for Workability Europe Delegates</b> |  |   |
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| <b>9.40</b>                                    | Workability Europe Strategic Plan and Progress Application 2011-2013 | <b>Brendan Sinnott, Henner Sorg</b><br>Workability Europe |
| <b>10.10</b>                                   | Break out Groups to include morning break of 15 minutes              | Members in Work Groups                                    |
| <b>11.10</b>                                   | Reports/feedback/conclusions from Breakout Groups                    | Rapporteurs   |
| <b>11.30</b>                                   | Formal Conference Close  |   |
| <b>12.00</b>                                   | Workability Europe AGM   |   |
| <b>13.30</b>                                   | Lunch  | Sussex Restaurant   |