

Daniel and Majella O'Donnell endorse “Connect to Your Future” Careers Expo

EURES Cross Border Partnership Hospitality & Catering Careers Expo 2018

The Department Of Employment Affairs and Social Protection (DEASP) together with the Department for Communities (DFC), Northern Ireland and EURES Cross Border Partnership will host a Hospitality and Catering Careers Expo in the Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny, Co Donegal on Thursday 1st March.

The Expo will include both onsite and online events. The onsite event will consist of Employers and Training Providers from across the North West cross border region (Donegal, Sligo, Leitrim, Derry, Fermanagh and Tyrone) coming together to offer individuals the chance to explore new career opportunities in a thriving hospitality and catering sector. Training providers and other support groups will be in attendance offering advice on how best to develop your career in this area.

The **Online** European Jobs Event “**Connect to your Future**” is aimed at attracting hospitality and catering talent from across Europe to join this established and growing sector in the North West region of Ireland. Daniel and Majella O'Donnell have offered their support for the event. Their support is indicative of the contribution Daniel has made to the tourism industry over the course of his career and more recently their joint contribution through their very successful B&B Road Show.

Daniel and Majella are delighted to offer their support to what they feel will be a great event, which brings together employers and employees from across the North West Region and beyond. Commenting on the event they said: ***“We recommend to get yourself along to it and certainly investigate what’s happening because anything that shows what’s going on in our part of the world is certainly worth it.”***

The online event will allow employers who require hospitality and catering expertise to access a wider talent pool. The event focuses on what’s happening in the North West and how the hospitality and tourism sector has developed in this area.

The EURES Cross Border Partnership Ireland – Northern Ireland realises the importance of the Hospitality Industry in this region and the value it adds to the economy and area. It is essential to ensure the many vacancies we have are filled by staff capable of meeting the demands in this area and we look forward to supporting our employers and jobseekers through this event.

Declan Doherty DEASP Employer Engagement/Eures Manager, Donegal said: **“Finding the right job or career can be an exciting and challenging task. With the increase in tourism, the Hospitality and Catering Sector can offer a rewarding and fulfilling career. DEASP are delighted to jointly host this EURES Cross Border event with the Department for Communities, Northern Ireland and EURES Cross Border Partnership. The Careers Expo promises to be an event where employers in this sector can showcase the opportunities for jobseekers to realise their career potential”.**

Sharron Russell, Director, Work and Wellbeing Division, Department for Communities, Northern Ireland said: **“Job Fairs provide an excellent opportunity for jobseekers to speak directly with employers, allowing them to ask questions and gain better understanding of the roles they are applying for. Employers in turn get to meet a wide range of prospective applicants and recruit effectively. Being in the heart of the community, this Expo maximises the benefits for the area and gives the jobseeker a chance to see the recruitment opportunities available to them. The Department for Communities is delighted to be supporting this event which offers real job opportunities to those seeking employment.”**

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