



Communiqué for the Employment Services Advisory Group

19 November 2021

The Employment Services Advisory Group met on Friday 19 November 2021, chaired by the Department of Education, Skills and Employment.

The importance of the probity plan and the requirements to preserve the integrity of the procurement process was reiterated to members.

Members discussed the status of the labour market and the high level of labour demand in various industries. The department advised of a trial of targeted SMS messages to job seekers to raise awareness of in-demand industries and available job opportunities published on the department's Jobs Hub. The trial is progressing well and showing engagement from job seekers.

The department provided members with updates on:

- the progress of the Digital Employment Services Platform;
- the collaborative work being undertaken with stakeholders on the change management aspects of implementing the new employment services model;
- youth servicing under the new employment services model and the role Transition to Work will play in the model.

The next meeting of the Employment Services Advisory Group is proposed to be held in March 2022.