Ireland has a world-class reputation as a significant growth centre for software products and services. More than 700 Irish software companies, and multinational companies with a base in Ireland (including Microsoft, IBM and Oracle) provide innovative solutions to global markets.

Irish software and services companies are delivering innovative solutions and quality services to public sector organisations in Ireland, the UK, the US, and wider overseas markets.

**KEY SECTOR CHARACTERISTICS**

- The European public sector Information & Communications Technology (ICT) market is estimated to be worth €99 billion in 2007 and is expected to grow by 6 per cent annually to reach €118 billion by 2010.
- The UK is by far the largest public sector market for IT products and services in Europe. Use and adoption of IT solutions is at an advanced stage and the market is highly competitive.
- ICT spend in the UK is estimated at €16 billion for 2006/07 rising to €19 billion in 2009/10, while Irish public sector ICT spending is currently €1 billion rising to €1.4 billion over the same period.
- Irish software companies selling to the public sector number almost 300, employing over 3,000 people. These companies are augmented by a significant body of expertise in research and public tendering from third level colleges and from consultants.

**GROWTH AREAS**

Enterprise Ireland has identified the following areas as presenting growth opportunities over the next 5 years:

- Enterprise solutions including records and document management systems.
- Security and privacy solutions including regulatory compliance and legislative applications.
- Business process management, including business intelligence tools.
- Collaboration and productivity tools, including people, time and project management applications.
- Strong opportunities will also exist in the delivery of software through new business models such as software as a service.

**IRELAND**

Because of its emergence as an entrepreneurial and dynamic global economy, Ireland has drawn international recognition as a compelling business proposition.

Irish export levels are over seven times greater per capita than in the USA, and with an average GDP growth rate of 6% from 1995 to 2006, Ireland has consistently topped OECD economic growth tables.

The Irish corporation tax rate on trading income is 12.5%, the lowest rate in the European Union. Ireland also provides a tax credit of 20% of capital and revenue spend on qualifying R&D.

The latest National Development Plan commits over €20 billion investment to enterprise, science and innovation programmes, and a young, vibrant and educated workforce with a high proportion of advanced degree holders fuels Ireland’s strong, knowledge-based economy.

**ENTERPRISE IRELAND**

Enterprise Ireland, the trade and technology board of the Irish Government, is one of the main catalysts for Ireland’s continuing strong entrepreneurship and innovation performance.

Having invested €135 million in Irish companies in 2007 - which leveraged some €600 million of further investment in Ireland - we can demonstrate a solid track record of developing businesses with high-growth potential and improving our clients’ competitive advantage in world markets.

As a global organisation, we have developed a vibrant network of contacts, detailed local knowledge and first-class business relationships with industry leaders all over the world. Our organisation can provide you with unique access to over 4,000 Irish companies.

With 13 offices in Ireland and a network of over 30 international offices reaching into more than 60 countries, we offer world-class expertise and support, including a range of professional services in areas such as international sales, venture capital, technology benchmarking, human resource development and sector-specific knowledge.

**Further information** is available at www.enterprise-ireland.com
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AssetCo plc | Technology solutions | www.assetco.ie
ATFM Solutions Ltd | | www.atfmsolutions.com
Romco Ltd | | www.ronco.ie
Calyx Group Ltd | | www.calyx.ie
Campus IT Ltd | | www.csptech.com
Capxcom Ventis | | www.capxcom.ie
Ceva Logistics Ltd | | www.cevalogistics.ie
Colman Computer Services Ltd | | www.colman.ie
Colombo Global Systems | | www.colombo.com
Core Systems Ltd | | www.corehr.com
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Curam Software Ltd | | www.curamsolutions.com
Culp Software Ltd | | www.dabl.ie
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iQuate | | www.iquest.ie
IT Guarded | | www.itguarded.ie
Keogh Software | | www.keoghsoftware.ie
L & P Financial Trustees | | www.lpgroup.ie
Leasomity | | www.leasecosity.ie
Lease Solutions Ltd | | www.lease.com
Manitex Ltd | | www.manitex.ie
Mapflow | | www.mapflow.com
Moving Media Ltd | | www.moviemedia.tv
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