

**CONSULTATIVE ADVISORY GROUP FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
DIGITAL STRATEGY FOR SCHOOLS 2015-2020, ENHANCING TEACHING,
LEARNING AND ASSESSMENT**

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Consultative Advisory Group will provide a consultative forum for the Education Partners, students, industry and other stakeholders to advise on and support the implementation of the Digital Strategy for Schools.

The Group will:

- Advise on strategies for the promotion of digital technology in teaching, learning and assessment in schools so as to ensure consistent messaging on the Strategy
- Provide a forum whereby Department, schools and industry can explore and develop collaborative models of engagement and partnership including the sharing of knowledge, expertise and resources
- Identify and disseminate examples of good practice in the use of ICT and of innovative approaches to using ICT teaching, Learning and assessment.
- Explore and encourage the development of links and partnerships between schools and the ICT industry at both student and teacher levels.
- Provide advice on the ICT infrastructural development needs of schools and how these can be best met having regard to value for money, procurement and other public sector policies
- Identify opportunities for the promotion of learning experiences which foster positive student attitudes towards STEM subjects through the use of digital technologies in teaching learning and assessment.

It is proposed that the Consultative Advisory Group would meet twice yearly, with the first meeting to take place late quarter 2 2016, q 4 2016, and thereafter in the second and final quarter of each subsequent year of the strategy (up to 2020).

Meetings will be convened by the Department.

Other meetings will be held as and when required.

March 2016

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MEMBERSHIP

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ICT Policy Unit, Department of Education and Skills

Representative: PDST-TiE*

*Representative: ATECI – Association of Teachers/Education Centres in Ireland

*Representative: Department of Communications, Climate Change and
Environment

*Representative: Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation

*Representative: Department of Children & Youth Affairs

*Representative: IBEC/ICT Ireland

*Representative: Computer in Education Society of Ireland (CESI)

*Representative: ACCS

*Representative: ASTI

*Representative: TUI

*Representative: INTO

*Representative: IPPN

*Representative: ISSU

*Representative: ETBI

*Representative: JMB

*Representative: CPMSA

*Representative: An Foras Patrúnachta

*Representative: Educate Together Patron Body

*Representative: National Association of Boards of Management in Special
Education

*Representative: Church of Ireland Board of Education

*Representative: Muslim Primary Education Board

- *Representative: NAPD
- *Representative: NCCA
- *Representative: NPC – Primary
- *Representative: NPC – Post-primary
- *Representative: Gaelscoileanna Teo

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