

# About us

**Technology Ireland** is the leading representative body for the technology sector in Ireland and is the authoritative voice driving effective change for the sector.

Our **vision** is achieved by a rich ecosystem of individuals and member companies, working collaboratively towards our common goals.

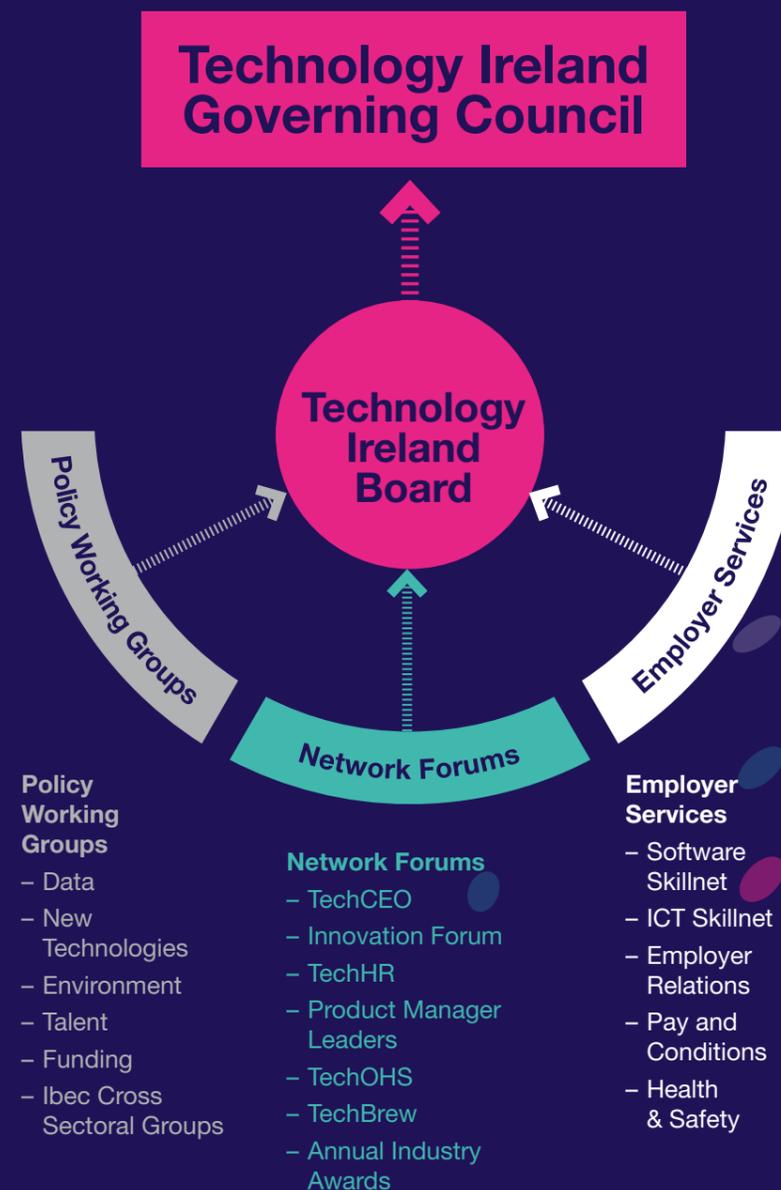
Our **network** is structured around a series of core working groups, member forums and networking events, all of which are the primary enablers of our strategy. By forging close working relationships with government departments, state agencies and governing bodies, the Association ensures the united voice of the Irish technology sector is clearly communicated to the relevant stakeholders and policy makers.



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**Making  
Ireland  
a global  
technology  
powerhouse**



# Our Goals

## 1. Ireland is the best country in the world for talent and skills in technology companies

Technology Ireland will work to promote:

- Investment in education and preparing students for life beyond the classroom
- Continuous training and upskilling which meets industry's changing needs particularly through initiatives such as Skillnets and the ICT Associate Professional
- Development of a new ICT Skills Action Plan which aims to build the supply of talent
- Maintaining strong support for initiatives such as Tech/Life Ireland which promotes Ireland as a location for mobile tech talent

## 2. Ireland is a global digital leader

Technology Ireland will work to promote:

- Digital leadership at the highest levels of Government
- Advancing Ireland as a world leading data economy
- Continuous investment in innovation and R&D that supports FDI and indigenous companies

## 5. Ireland is the best location in the world to start, grow, scale and invest in your business

Technology Ireland will work to promote:

- The introduction of schemes and initiatives which encourage investment in start up technology businesses
- Awareness amongst scaling technology companies of the broad set of funding opportunities that are available
- A new seed enterprise investment scheme to encourage investment in start up technology businesses and a reduced CGT rate for entrepreneurs
- The development of a scheme similar to the EMI scheme in the UK, where share options are afforded relief from income tax and the Universal Social Charge (USC)
- Talent development programmes focused on scaling businesses through our Technology Ireland Skillnets

## 4. Ireland is the preeminent global location for diversity

Technology Ireland will work to promote:

- Ireland as a world leader in correcting the gender imbalance in the technology sector
- Initiatives that encourage careers in STEM
- Training opportunities that attract female IT professionals back into the workplace such as the Technology Ireland Software Skillnet 'Women Reboot' programme
- A diverse workforce where talent can flourish in a vibrant technology sector

## 3. Ireland is the most competitive and collaborative business environment for technology companies

Technology Ireland will work to promote:

- Strong collaboration between industry, academia and research institutions through initiatives such as the Technology Ireland Innovation Forum
- Improved tax supports for technology businesses such as an enhanced employment investment incentive scheme, a stronger R&D tax credit and a competitive corporate tax rate
- Ireland as a location that fosters strategic operations and decision making

## Our Board



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