

Do you need assistance from a graduate to help you develop new products or improve your processes?



Southern Regional College (SRC) through the Fusion programme can provide support by helping you to fund a high calibre science, engineering or technology graduate and partner you with an academic with specific expertise to help your business.

The graduate is employed by you and is based in your company and mentored by SRC and a Fusion consultant from Intertrade Ireland. You can choose from a 12 month project (typically process development) or an 18 month project (typically for new product or service development).

Benefits to Participating Companies

- On average each company taking part in the FUSION programme benefits from over £1 million worth of sales or efficiency savings in the three years following the project
- Improve capabilities in innovation, design & technology
- Increase sales
- Reduce costs
- Develop or improve products, processes or services
- Streamline business processes to increase efficiency and performance

Am I Eligible?

To qualify, your business must:

- Be located in Northern Ireland or Ireland
- Trading for at least 2 years
- 5-249 employees
- A financially viable business in the manufacturing or tradeable services industries
- Able to demonstrate the need for Intertrade Ireland Fusion support
- Have capacity for innovation
- Indigenous to island of Ireland

FUSION Financial Support Package

A comprehensive support package will be made available to your company to fund 50% of the graduate's employment costs.

	12 mths	18 mths
Graduate Employment Costs 50%	€14,600	€21,900
Graduate Training & Development	€2,000	€2,000
Project Related Expenses	€3,300	€4,000
Total	€19,900	€27,900