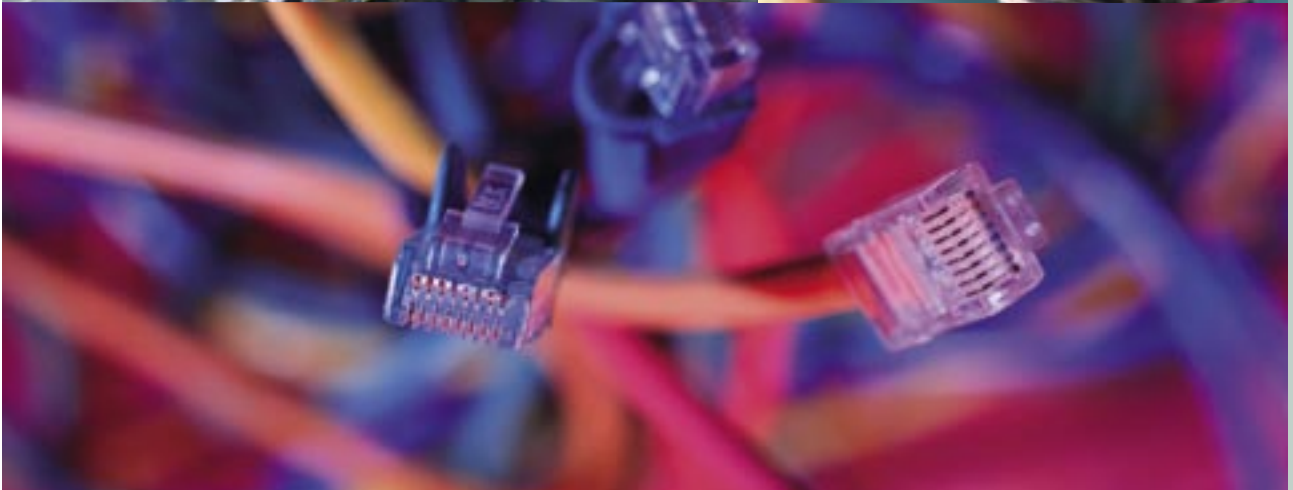


# Economic Development, Innovation and Skills Capacity Implementation Group

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# Priorities for 2006-2008



## Objective 2.5

Provide Clare with improved local access to Third Level Education and Training.

### 2.5.3 Further and Higher Education

By 2008 Clare will have additional / enhanced facilities for Further and Higher Education.

*Lead:* County Clare VEC  
*Linked Agencies:* Clare County Council, Shannon Development

## Objective 2.6

Ensure that businesses in Clare are using IT and e-commerce in the most profitable and effective manner possible

### Broadband

**2.6.4** By 2008 Ennis, Shannon and Kilrush will have Metropolitan Area Networks (MANs).

*Lead:* Shannon Broadband  
*Linked Agencies:* FÁS, Clare County Enterprise Board, County Clare VEC, IBEC

**2.6.5** By 2008 all communities in Clare, outside of Ennis, Shannon and Kilrush, will have completed submissions for the Group Broadband Scheme.

*Lead:* Clare County Council - Community & Enterprise  
*Linked Agencies:* Shannon Connect, Clare Community Forum

## Objective 2.10

Ensure that businesses in Clare have access to the latest R&D in product development, food research and service delivery through linkages with third level institutions

### 2.10.2 Innovation Business Model

By 2008 Clare County Council in partnership with the Private Sector in a specific sub-sector and with a relevant R & D Institute will be supporting a number of SMEs in identifying new products and services in addition to new market opportunities.

*Lead:* Clare County Council - Community & Enterprise  
*Linked Agencies:* IBEC, Third Level Institutes, Shannon Development

## Objective 2.17

Enhance the role of Shannon Airport

### 2.17.1 Shannon International Airport

By 2008 Shannon will be a sustainable International Airport in line with Government Policy and will be an International Hub (passengers and cargo), with particular emphasis on servicing the Western Seaboard, the Mid-Western and Border and Midlands Regions.

*Lead:* Shannon Airport Authority  
*Linked Agencies:* Clare County Council