

Study Visit 3, Belfast, Northern Ireland

21 - 22 February, 2018

AGENDA

Tuesday 20 February - Arrival of participants

Wednesday 21 February

08.15 Meet in Europa Hotel main lobby for transport to Titanic Visitor Centre

09.00 Photo opportunity and PR

09.15 Welcome to Belfast

Noel Lavery, Permanent Secretary, Department for the Economy, Northern Ireland

9:35 - 10.00 Overview of Northern Ireland strategic context and export support structures

Diarmuid McLean, Director Economic Strategy Division, DfE

10.00 - 10.25 Role of Public Sector as a Driver of Innovation

Eoin McFadden, Innovation and Specialisation Branch, DfE

10.25 – 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 - 12:30 Support for SME internationalisation

Presentation on key export and innovation support programmes from Intertrade Ireland – to include experiences of SMEs

12:30 – 14.00 Lunch and transport to Invest NI headquarters.

14:15 16.30 Invest NI support for SME internationalisation

A series of insights into Invest NI export support programmes.

(Bilateral meetings have been arranged as requested with Invest NI and Competence centre)

16:30 – 18.00 Free time

18.00 Meet in Europa Hotel main lobby for Tour of Belfast City Hall

19.30 Dinner – Deanes, Belfast

Thursday 22 February

08.10 Meet in Europa Hotel main lobby for transport to Company Visit

09.00 – 10.30 Company Visit and insights from The Deluxe Group

The Deluxe Group - Portadown

11.30 – 12.30 Visit to NI Immersive Lab (Digital Catapult)

Venue: NI Immersive Lab, Belfast

13.00 - 14.30 Lunch

Venue: Cuffs Restaurant, Crumlin Road Gaol, Belfast

	Main Group	Cross Border Perspectives
14.30	Crumlin Road Gaol, Belfast Tour	Crumlin Road Gaol, Belfast Swedish/Norwegian Delegation meeting InterTradeIreland for a bilateral.
15.00	Bus Tour – Belfast sights (Peace Wall, murals etc)	

15.30 Free Time

19 30 - Meal

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Friday 23 February

Departure