

Galway & Roscommon Education and Training Board Inaugural Review of Quality Assurance in Education and Training Boards 2022

The Review Team



Chair

Maurice de Greef is chair holder of the UNESCO Chair on Adult Education at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel and realized a dissertation (PHD) about the outcomes of education. In cooperation with Maastricht University he realized more than 130 studies in more than 200 communities and 8 countries concerning the impact and success factors of education.

He managed local, regional and European projects in innovating learning-environments, strategic policy-making in education and developing strategies for approaching learners and realizing new courses in local settings.

He was member of the national board of non-formal adult education and responsible for the national conferences about adult education. Besides this he was member of the board of the national organization for civil servants (policy-makers) of education



Coordinating Reviewer

Carol Hanney is an education consultant and served as Chief Executive of City of Dublin Education and Training Board from 2016 to 2021 leading and developing its broad range of second and further education provision. Her role also involved overseeing the national grants-awarding body, SUSI. Prior to becoming CE in CDETB she was Further Education Specialist in the Department of Education and Skills. From 2008 to 2013 she was Chief Executive Officer of Dún Laoghaire VEC and she had previously held the position of Principal of Bray Institute of Further Education from 1999 to 2008.

She holds a BA and HDip in Education from NUIG and a Masters in Education from TCD.

Carol has been involved in curriculum and course development at second and at FE level and is particularly interested in quality in education. She sat on a number of NCCA committees reforming the JC and the LC, worked for a period in the TUI, and during her career she has been a member of many national education bodies and has participated in various international projects and conferences.



Nino Buić holds a University Degree from University of Zagreb, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. He has a strong background in the field of VET having worked over 13 years in this area in Croatia as well as consultant in Southeast, Eastern Europe, and Caucasus region.

Currently holds a position of an Assistant Director for EU Affairs, International Cooperation and Projects in Agency for VET and Adult Education in Croatia.

During his career he gained hands on experience related to the processes of reform and modernisation of VET System in Croatia and other European countries, organization of cooperation between social partners and VET, linking VET and Labour Market, Qualifications and NQF development, VET QA, etc.

He has experience in monitoring and follow-up of EU policies and tools in the field of Education and Training (Education and Training 2020; EQF, ECVET, EQAVET, etc.). He was project manager of various EU and other donors funded projects in Croatia. He acted as a representative of Croatia in various networks and events, i.e., Meetings of DGVT, ACVT, +ECVET UG, EQAVET, etc.

He was author and co-author of a number of articles and publication published in Croatia and EU.



Joanne Sweeney is the CEO of <u>Public Sector Marketing</u>
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A skilled digital marketing consultant and trainer, Joanne's accredited programmes attract students from across the world. She is one of only 14 trainers delivering Google's Advanced Data-Driven Marketing programme to their biggest clients worldwide. She has also briefed Facebook's senior government team and has spoken at Twitter Headquarters in San Francisco on Digital Citizenship.

A former broadcast journalist, she is also a two-time author on digital communications for government and public sector agencies. Her second book *Public Sector Marketing Pro* has been described by former President

Barack Obama's Chief Digital Officer as "the handbook I needed when in the White House, it would have saved me years of learning by error."

She holds two Master's Degrees, one in Journalism and one in Digital Marketing. Joanne's writing has been published on Social Media Examiner, the world's largest social media website and she has spoken on stages in the US, Australia, mainland Europe, the UK and Ireland.



Jeremy Kennedy relocated to Donegal, the family home of his wife, in early 2018. Unsure of which direction or opportunity to pursue, he made the decision to transition from civil construction industry. Jeremy was invited to participate in level 5 "Business and Tourism" studies with Donegal Town VTOS. He found unanticipated resources and support through the ETB.

Upskilling and reskilling allowed Jeremy the chance to apply for a position within the ETB (part-time tutor, FET). Having completed the two-year course, gaining employment, and continuing to take advantage of professional development courses and career guidance he now enjoys being an active participant in the Irish education system



Helen Carroll is an educational counsellor and worked for many years with the Disability Service in the Technological University Dublin (TU Dublin), formerly Dublin Institute of Technology.

She is the author of the book 'A Guide to Assignment Writing', a best-seller in Ireland. She has presented at many international conferences on learning, in particular at third level.

Her background is in Science and she holds a Master's in Education. She has a strong interest in neuroscience and in how the wealth of knowledge we possess in this area can be adapted to help student improve their own learning.