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Louth and Meath Education and Training Board – Inaugural Review of Quality Assurance in Education and Training Boards 2022

The Review Team



Chair

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Elizabeth Shackels is currently Head of Quality & Performance at South West College. In addition to her college responsibilities, she also works as an Education Training Associate Assessor which means she can undertake College and private Training Providers inspections.

Furthermore, she also worked as a QAA reviewer and has undertaken higher education reviews across the United Kingdom. She is passionate about education and promoting opportunities for young people to progress.



Coordinating Reviewer

During the last fifteen years **Keith Brumfitt** has worked as an international consultant for the European Commission, its agencies and contractors. This includes providing expert advice to the ECVET and EQAVET networks; and supporting the European Network of Experts on graduate tracking in vocational and higher education. He is currently evaluating the French Centres of Vocational Excellence and is a Board member of an international body awarding vocational and higher education qualifications.

Before working as a consultant, Keith was a senior manager in three national agencies in the UK, he was the Director of a Sector Skills Body; a National Manager in the government's agency for teacher training, and the Principal Advisor for Vocational Qualifications in the government's qualifications regulator. He has also taught in universities, vocational colleges, a young offenders' centre and secondary schools.



Franz Gramlinger studied Law and Business Education at the Johannes Kepler University Linz/ Austria where he also got his PhD in social and economic sciences in 1997. After almost 10 years as researcher and teacher at the University of Linz he got a Fulbright grant for the CUNY, the City University of New York in 2000 and then went to the University of Hamburg (until 2004). From Germany his next station led him to Greece where to he was seconded as expert for e-skills and LLL to Cedefop, the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training until 2007.

In October 2007 he returned to Austria to build up the Austrian Reference Point for QA in VET in close cooperation with the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education. The reference point is a department in the Austrian Agency for Education and Internationalisation (where Franz is head of the department for quality and transparency) and has been renamed in 2021 to Reference Point for Quality Assurance in General and Vocational Education and Training.



Nikki McGoohan's professional background has involved working with a varied range of SME's. For over 14yrs as a Partner in ProTemp she provided a range of business services including financial & general administration, mentoring business owners and assisting them in their dealings with employees and financial institutions including banks and accountancy firms. Prior to this Nikki worked in areas such as banking, insurance and with a start-up nanotechnology company.

Subsequently Nikki spent 6years as part of the management team of a manufacturing company with responsibility for HR/H&S. Since July 2020 Nikki is the Director of Propel 2Gether Ltd providing services such as business mentoring, executive and personal coaching and training. Nikki also works part-time with CMETB delivering courses such as HR Management, Business Management and Project Management as part of their evening provision. Louth and Meath Education and Training Board – Inaugural Review of Quality Assurance in Education and Training Boards 2022

