About the Skillnet

The ICOS Skillnet is a network of member co-operatives nationwide. Members use the network to avail of grant-assisted training and networking opportunities for their owners, managers and staff. We believe that members need to improve the skills of their workforce if they are to grow and be successful in today's business environment. The ICOS Skillnets application under the Skillnets Training Networks Programme 2014/2015 has been successful and grant aid for 2014 has been secured. The network's long term strategy is to continue in supporting the co-op and agri-business sectors in meeting their training & development needs to sustain competitiveness and growth for the sectors.



The aims of the programme are:

- To provide industry specific, customised and most relevant training to the member companies in order to improve their competitiveness.
- To promote training as a viable strategic tool.
- To improve the quality of training and development activities and provide real opportunities to employees of the member companies.
- To assist in creating a long term future for co-operative businesses in rural areas.
- To contribute to the up-skilling of the unemployed.

A Range of Our Programmes

General Training & Human Resources

- 1. Managing People
- 2. Coaching & Mentoring
- Understanding Responsible Workplace Behaviour
- 4. Equality & Diversity
- 5. Bullying & Harassment
- 6. Human Resource Management
- 7. Performance Management
- 8. High Performance Feedback
- The Secret Life of Groups –Coaching for work performance
- 10. Conflict Resolution
- 11. Interview Skills for the Interviewer

Leadership & Management Training

- 12. Dairy Co-Operative Director Training
- 13. Diploma in Corporate Direction (Food Business)
- 14. Supervisory Management
- 15. Management Development
- 16. Mart Director Training

Retail Training

- Retailer & Suppler Negotiations
- 18. Retail Skills Management
- Merchandising Techniques
- 20. Advanced Merchandising
- 21. Retail Sales
- 22. Retail Security
- 23. Consumer Law for Retailers

Sales & Customer Service Training

- 24. "You Are The Difference"Customer Care Training
- 25. Effective Selling Skills
- 26. Communicating to Influence
- 27. Sales Reps Training

Finance Training

- 28. Finance for Non-Financial Managers
- 29. Credit & Debt Control
- 30. Stock & Cost Control









Other Programmes Include

Safety / Security Training

- 31. Health & Safety Awareness for Staff
- 32. Health & Safety Awareness for Supervisors & Managers
- 33. Security Awareness
- 34. Confined Space
- 35. MEWP
- 36. S.A.F.E.D Driver Training
- 37. Breathing Apparatus
- 38. Hoist Training
- 39. LOTO Hot-Works
- 40. Chemical Safety Awareness
- 41. Forklift Training
- 42. Pallet Truck
- 43. Basic Food Hygiene & HACCP
- 44. Occupational First Aid & Refresher
- 45. Emergency Response Team (ERT)
- 46. Risk & Safety Management
- 47. BRC Global Food Safety Standards
- 48. Fire Awareness / Fire Warden Training

IT Skills Training

- 49. Online MS Excel Levels 1 and 2
- 50. MS Word Levels 1-3
- 51. MS Excel Levels 1-3
- 52. MS PowerPoint Levels 1-2
- 53. Internet & Email
- 54. Digital Skills "I-Can-Do"

Technical Skills Training

- 55. Casein Processing
- 56. Membrane Filtration Processing
- 57. Evaporation
- 58. Spray Drying
- 59. Understanding Dairy Process Components & Principles
- 60. Understanding Milk & Milk Products
- 61. Milk Pasteurisation & Separation
- 62. Energy Management
- 63. Livestock Management Drover Training
- 64. Livestock Auctioneering

Technical Skills Training

- 65. Good Manufacturing Practices
- 66. Responsible Persons for the Issuing of Animal Remedies
- 67. Dairy Science Training
- 68. Milking Machine Technicians Training & Refresher
- 69. Development, Implementation & Verification Processes
- 70. IOSH Explosive Management
- 71. Pesticide Training

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