



CitizenFirst International Conference

Citizen First...
*using Technology to include ALL
Citizens*

**Ennis,
Co. Clare,
IRELAND**

25th - 26th September 2008

Conference Fee ~ €60.00

To register please contact the Mid-West Regional Authority or log onto the CitizenFirst Website: www.citizen-first.net

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Conference Programme

Thursday – 25th September 2008

19.00h – 20.15h **Conference Registration & Civic Reception in Clare County Council Offices
New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare**

Address by **Cllr. Madeline Taylor-Quinn, Mayor of County Clare & Cllr. Bernard Hanrahan, Chairperson of Mid-West Regional Authority**

Display of Mid-West/CitizenFirst ICT eInclusion Projects
Wine Reception & Entertainment

Friday – 26th September 2008

09.00h **Conference Registration
The Old Ground Hotel, Ennis, Co. Clare**

09.30h Welcome by **Cllr. Bernard Hanrahan, Chairperson of Mid-West Regional Authority**

09.40h Keynote address by **Ms. Máire Hocht, T.D., Minister of State with responsibility for the Elderly**

10.00h European Perspective – presentation by **Ms. Michela Marasco, Joint Technical Secretariat, INTERREG IVB North West Europe**

10.20h CitizenFirst Lessons learned through eInclusion projects: recommendations for local & regional policy makers – **Ms. Rebecca Morgan, Cambridgeshire County Council**

10.40h Questions & Answers

11.00h Coffee Break

11.30h **Mr. Liam Conneally, Director, Mid-West Regional Authority**
Introduction to Case-Studies – Setting the Scene

11.45h **CitizenFirst eInclusion Initiatives** – presentations will highlight the issues faced, solutions undertaken & action needed (what can be done at local level)

Themes:

1. Disadvantaged Areas ~ **Limerick City ICT Steering Group, Mid-West Ireland**
2. Young People ~ **Cambridgeshire UK**
3. People with Special Needs ~ **Kortrijk Belgium**
4. eCommunities ~ **Eindhoven The Netherlands**
5. eAgeing ~ **ClareCare, Mid-West Ireland & Cambridgeshire UK**

13.00h Panel Discussion ~ Questions & Answers

13.30h Wrap-up

13.45h Networking Lunch

15.00h Close of Conference – **Closing Address by Mid-West Regional Authority**

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