

## Enhancing student employability for a rapidly changing world *opportunities and challenges for European universities*

Cooperative Education & Careers, University of Limerick  
Erasmus+ Partner Universities' Staff Week

29 April 2024 – 3 May 2024

DAY 1	Monday, 29 April 2024
11.00	<b>Participants Registration, welcome coffee</b>
11.30	<b>University of Limerick Welcome:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Prof Shane Kilcommins, Provost &amp; Deputy President</i></li> <li>• <i>Dr Patrice Twomey, Director, Cooperative Education &amp; Careers</i></li> </ul>
12.00	<b>Introduction to Cooperative Education &amp; Careers Division and University of Limerick.</b>
12.30	<b>Networking lunch</b>
13.30	<b>Introduction by Participants:</b> Getting to know each other; getting to know each other's universities.
15.30 - 16.30	<b>Tour of the University of Limerick campus</b>
DAY 2	Tuesday, 30 April 2024
09.30	<b>Operationalising Cooperative Education</b> The challenges of delivering a successful large-scale placement programme. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engaging with your stakeholder</li> <li>• Preparation</li> <li>• Assessing formative learning</li> <li>• Q&amp;A</li> </ul>
10.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11.00	<b>Workshop: What is my personality at work?</b> Using personality typology to understand ourselves.

13.00	<b>Lunch</b>
14.00	<p><b>Going Global</b> Deploying a work placement programme across five continents. <i>Olga O’Sullivan, Global Cooperative Education Manager.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to the Global Coop Programme</li> <li>• Listening to the voice of the students – “In their words”</li> <li>• Feedback from the employer</li> <li>• Supporting students on placement</li> <li>• Q&amp;A</li> </ul>
15.00	<b>Coffee Break</b>
15.15 - 16.45	<p><b>Regional Development</b> The power of partnership <i>Dr Colm Cunniffe, Cooperative Education Manager, Science &amp; Engineering</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of regional development</li> <li>• Case study to showcase the impact of a partnership</li> <li>• Development agency and employers – moderated panel discussion</li> </ul>
<b>DAY 3</b>	<b>Wednesday, 1 May 2024</b>
08.45 - 17.00	<b>Bus tour to the Cliffs of Moher</b>
<b>DAY 4</b>	<b>Thursday, 2 May 2024</b>
10.00	<p><b>Overview of the Careers Service</b> <i>Gavin Connell, Head of Careers</i></p>
10.15	<p><b>Embedding employability in the curriculum</b> <i>Brendan Lally and Elaine Kiely, Career Advisors</i></p>
10.45	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11.00	<p><b>Workshop: Emotional Intelligence Quotient – EQ-i 2.0</b> The EQ-i is one of the most respected and recognised emotional intelligence assessment instruments worldwide. In this workshop you will gain insights, explanations and practical tips on how to become an effective team member and develop leadership awareness.</p>
12.00	<b>Lunch</b>
13.00	<p><b>Supporting students with disabilities</b> <i>Beth Jennings, Employability Advisor</i></p>
13.30	<p><b>Strategic use of employability data</b> <i>Gavin Connell, Head of Careers</i> <i>Mark Robert, IT Specialist/Analyst</i></p>

14.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
14.45 - 16.30	<b>Roundtable discussion: Applied use of employability data</b> Opportunity for the participants to highlight and exchange their perspectives and experiences on their strategic use of data to advance the employability agenda within their institution.
<b>DAY 5</b>	<b>Friday, 3 May 2024</b>
09.30 - 11.30	<b>Closing Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion</li><li>• Feedback</li><li>• Networking</li><li>• Coffee Break</li><li>• Presentation of certificates</li></ul>