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## Siemens to Expand its Cork Facility Creating up to 60 new jobs

Siemens Limited announced today that it will create an additional 60 jobs in its IT Solutions & Services division in Cork City. The company's expansion is due to its growing business and recent contract wins. The new positions are for highly skilled technical and network specialists.

Siemens attributes the success of its Irish operations to its competitive cost offering and its ability to hire people of the appropriate skills sets. The company recently secured a multi-million euro deal in the face of stiff international competition, to provide IT help desk services to a major multinational in nine languages in 34 countries.

According to Siemens Ireland, CEO, Dr. Werner Kruckow: "Our Cork office's ability to deliver a competitive efficient service, combined with a highly qualified workforce were key factors in securing the contract. It also illustrates Siemens' commitment to Ireland and the importance of our Irish operations and local skills sets within Siemens globally."

Malte Gloth, Division Manager of Siemens IT Solutions & Services Ireland, adds "This deal is a significant cornerstone regarding our growth strategy for Siemens IT Solutions & Services in Ireland. There are further interesting opportunities within the Irish market, both public and private and we anticipate further growth for our business."

IDA Ireland welcomed the announcement today by Siemens Ireland. CEO Barry O' Leary said, "This is terrific news for Siemens and for Cork and the South West Region. Siemens is a significant multinational company in the ICT industry in Ireland and this development is a further endorsement of Ireland as a prime location for highly innovative companies carrying out key strategic activities. Today's news is a strong commitment by Siemens to the growth and development of its Irish operations."

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Siemens IT Solutions & Services employs 270 people in its Penrose Wharf, Cork offices, from where it services customers in 14 languages from 47 countries. The additional jobs will bring the total headcount to 330 people. Recruitment is already underway.

### **About Siemens**

Siemens is a global electronics and electrical engineering company providing products, systems, services and solutions for the industry, energy and healthcare sectors. Siemens has offices in Dublin, Cork and Belfast and employs more than 1,100 people in Ireland. Siemens has a long-standing tradition of delivering key infrastructure projects in Ireland including the first direct Trans-Atlantic cable in 1874 and Shannon hydro-electric scheme which continues to produce green electricity. Siemens recently completed Ireland's largest on-shore wind farm for Airtricity and supplied the world's most advanced CT scanner to the Mater Private Hospital.

Siemens IT Solutions and Services is an internationally leading provider of IT solutions and services. It covers the entire IT service chain from a single source, from consulting to system integration, right through to the management of IT infrastructures.

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