

Expenditure on Consultancy by Department of Education and Skills in 2011

Consultants, Experts, Advisors	Start date	Completion date	Status of Report	Reports/Reviews/Studies	Total Cost 2011
Centre for Cross Border Studies	October-11	December-11	*	2011 annual review paper on Northern Ireland Postgraduate Courses	€2,420.00
Jim Duffy & Pat McLoughlin members of an independent panel	February-11	April-11	No Report	Recommendations to the Minister on the preferred proposal for designation of a single awarding authority together with recommendations considered necessary in relation to modification or development of the preferred proposal for implementation purposes	€1,927.86
Gartner	October-11	October-14	No Report	Subscription for provision of ICT research, advice, guidance & related services 1/10/2011 - 30/09/2012	€35,150.49
Sr. Eileen Randles	May-10	November-10	*	Review in an appeal against an inspection under section 13 (9) of the Education Act 1998	€920.00
Dr Simon Marginson	January-11	March-11	Published by the HEA June 2011	Criteria for the proposed re-designation of amalgamated institutes of Technology Universities arising from the recommendations of the National Strategy for Higher Education to 2030	€9,075.00
Farrell Grant Sparks	October-10	June-11	Completed	Advice on necessary redactions and initial advice on possible updated accounting arrangements	€8,410.71
Forum on Patronage & Pluralism in the Primary Sector-Professor John Coolahan, Dr Caroline Hussey, Fionnuala Kilfeather	April-11	January-12	Published April 2012	Report to the Minister on the Forum on Patronage & Pluralism in the Primary Sector.	€20,000.00
Price Waterhouse Coopers LLP (PWC) Belfast	December-10	March-12	Published March 2012	Evaluation of the Special Education Support Service.	€97,866.01
Goodbody Economic Consultants	April-11	December-11	Published February 2012	Evaluation of the Initial Implementation of Siolta, the National Quality framework for Early Childhood Education	€31,280.92
The PA Consulting Group	July-11	November-11	Published November 2011	Evaluation of the training and education programmes for the unemployed delivered under LMAF 2010	€52,003.38
Fitzpatrick & Associates	February-11	August-11	Published ESF website August 2011	Mid term Evaluation of the Human Capital Investment Operational Programme 2007-2013	€61,589.00
Deloitte	March-11	April-11	*	Audits of the national agencies for the Lifelong Learning Programme in Ireland to serve as the basis for the submission of Declarations of Assurance from International Section to the European Commission	€13,212.99
Public Authority Pension Services Ltd	June-10	June-11	*	Pensions advisory work relating to the establishment of a pension scheme for staff of the NCTE	€4,791.60
Analysis Mason	July-11	April-12	*	Commercial Financial & Technical Procurement advice for Schools Broadband Tender	€63,632.51
Grant Thornton	September-11	October-11	*	External audit of Dell and Waterford Crystal EGF programmes	€5,445.00
			* Internal reports -not for publication	2011 Total:	€407,725.47