

News Release:

Olas starts 2010 winning 3 IT consultancy engagements

Dublin, Wednesday, 21st April, 2010: Olas, Ireland's software training and development specialist, has announced that in the first half of 2010 it has won 3 new IT consultancy contracts.

Olas will take a fresh look at how each client's decision making and employee productivity is being affected by their current ICT and recommend improvements.

The new customers include a major mobile telecoms operator, a major voluntary healthcare organisation (non-government), and a subsidiary of a global Food & Drink brand.

Almost all Irish enterprises have had budget cuts, staff reduction, or strategic change in the past 18 months, and some have had all three," *commented Conor MacManus who is Director of Application Development at Olas*, "Now they're taking a fresh look at how their remaining employees can be more productive with IT, and how they can have the management information to make evidence-based decisions in a business environment where nothing can be taken for granted."

MacManus points out that many customers who have implemented major ERP systems such as SAP are now looking afresh at how to get even more value from the investment, but that they are looking for rapid mini-projects with specific, well defined benefits. Others are exploiting the free databases and development environments they've already licensed such as Microsoft Access, Excel, SharePoint and SQL Server.

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About Olas

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In relation to project team training, Olas is Ireland's sole SAP Education Partner for SAP and SAP Business Objects, providing scheduled SAP and Business Objects training at its Stillorgan training centre, and on-site. Olas services SAP trainees from Ireland and abroad with a SAP's catalogue of specialised technical courses.

SAP, the largest software enterprise in Europe, acquired software giant Business Objects in 2007. Olas will now add the portfolio of SAP Business Objects courses (which range from the popular Crystal Reports to the complex Business Objects enterprise platform) to its scheduled and customer specific courses. Olas will be the only provider in Ireland to offer SAP Business Objects certified trainers and materials, so Irish professionals won't need to go abroad to attain the internationally recognised SAP training certification.