



# The key to efficiency

## Commercial profile CILT

The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport, the leading body for logistics and transport professionals, will present the ILTA Awards at its annual dinner in February, writes Michael Lynham.

**O**n February 11th, 2010 the Irish Logistics and Transport Awards (ILTA) will be presented at the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) annual dinner in the Burlington Hotel.

The Lifetime Achievement, Innovator of the Year, Student Idea of the Year and Transport Journalist of the Year Awards will also be presented on the night.

### The short listed entries are:

#### Environmental Award

Glanbia Foods plc  
GreenAer Mobility  
Metroplex  
Pfizer Ireland  
The **Pallet Network** Ireland

#### Safety Award

C&C Supply (Bulmers Ltd)  
Fleetzone.ie  
Sky Handling Partners

#### Technology Award

Dipetane International Ltd  
DPD Ireland  
Glanbia Foods plc  
Icarus  
Kuehne + Nagel  
Metroplex  
Universal Honda Ltd  
UPS Ltd

#### Logistics Best Practice Award

Boyne Valley Group  
DPD Ireland  
Expeditors Ireland Ltd  
Kuehne + Nagel  
Stena Line  
The **Pallet Network** Ireland

#### Passenger Transport Award

Dublin Taxi  
Irish Ferries  
Stena Line  
Sky Handling Partners

#### Supply Chain Integration Award

Ace Express Group  
Expeditors Ireland Ltd  
Kuehne + Nagel

#### Education Award

Irish International Freight Association  
Limerick Technology Institute  
UCD

#### HR Development Award

Kuehne + Nagel  
Logiskills Group  
Metroplex

CILT Ireland is the recognised body for all professionals involved in the transport and logistics industries in Ireland, offering membership, qualifications and training.

Established in 1919, the institute is today based in its own full-facilities headquarters in Dublin, with a network of over 30,000 members from all over the world, drawn from all business sectors and reaching from young logistics/transport graduates up to business leaders at executive/senior level.

The mission of the Institute is to promote the art and science of logistics and transport in Ireland, upholding professional standards, and improving the skills of logistics and transport people so they deliver exceptional business results for the companies that employ them.

It is clear that in the current economic environment, where companies are looking to increase revenue and profitability, logistician and transport professionals can provide the key to unlocking the opportunities that can result in cost savings for companies.

It has been established without any doubt whatsoever that lean supply chains and efficient logistics systems lead to direct bottom line profits. Companies that want to successfully gain competitive advantage and which are able to implement immediate cost savings are those which possess knowledgeable and skillful logistics and transport

professionals.

As more and more responsibility is placed on the logistics function, the need has intensified for its practitioners to be highly skilled in the various elements of supply chain management and to be completely up to date with best practices in the industry, both nationally and internationally. Logisticians must take their place alongside engineers and accountants as proficient and exceptional, well-trained professionals.

Many Irish companies wishing to up-skill their supply chain personnel have found that there is a glaring lack of structured logistics training available. The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Ireland, the professional body for logistics and transport professionals, is dedicated to bridging this competence gap and to enhancing the professionalism of those involved in the industry.

The Institute's Diploma course in Logistics & Supply Chain Management will up-skill participants and provide them with the necessary expertise to meet the logistics challenges of the future. The course explores and critically examines the latest logistics success recipes with a view to their application in the participant's own organisation.

The course is particularly suitable for logistics and/or transport personnel who require flexible learning to fit around their work commitments. All best practices will be illustrated with videos and case studies from leading Irish and multinational companies.

In the present difficult economic environment, training personnel in supply chain management skills must be intensified to ensure immediate bottom line savings and success for the future.

The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport's Diploma in Logistics & Supply Chain Management is now producing a breed of professionals whose new found expertise has enabled both individuals and the company that they work for to reap benefits in a very short time frame. *For further details on CILT courses and membership log on to [www.cilt.ie](http://www.cilt.ie) or call 01 6763188 ■*

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