



Mary Coughlan TD pictured at the BMW Regional Assembly's tenth annual conference.

## BMW highlights opportunities for jobs and growth

Real opportunities exist for future growth and development in the BMW Region, delegates at the BMW Regional Assembly's tenth annual conference in Cavan heard recently.

The conference, which was addressed by the Tánaiste and Minister for Education and Skills, Mary Coughlan TD, and a distinguished panel of speakers examined the challenges that exist for stimulating growth and employment in the BMW Region in from a local, regional, all-island and higher education perspective.

Tánaiste Mary Coughlan T.D. in her keynote address emphasised the importance of delivering 'real regional development' to the BMW Region. She outlined her vision for a sustained response to the current economic conditions focusing upon export-led growth,

greater levels of innovation and optimisation of existing industry in the BMW Region. She outlined the new objective of IDA to create 100,000 over the next number of years with 50 percent of these being located outside Dublin and Cork.

Mr. Gerry Finn, Director of BWM Regional Assembly presented the contribution that the Assembly is making to stimulate the regional economy. Mr. Finn highlighted the impact of the BMW Regional Operational Programme which has EU contribution of €227m, the €17m Gateway and Hub Fund and the initiatives undertaken in policy development such as those in relation to advocating the development of regional airports and recently published report of the Innovation Taskforce.

### Spring clean in Kingsland

Kingsland National School, Boyle, is set to host a National Spring Clean event on Friday, April 23rd. The focus area of the clean-up will be the school itself and over 30 volunteers are set to take part on the day. For further information on this clean-up contact David Murphy on (094) 98 70608 or email kingslandns@hotmail.com

### Tremane Spring Clean thanks

The organisers of the annual Tremane Spring Clean would like to thank all those who participated in the clean-up which took place in the area recently. They would also like to thank Roscommon County Council for its assistance.



Congratulations to Lee Donoghue, Roxboro, Roscommon, who became the new U11 Champion of Cumann Rince Naisiúnta, after winning the U11 Championship, at the Yvonne Saul Memorial Feis, held in Dublin recently. Lee is a pupil of the Shannon Academy School of Dance.



FITNESS THROUGH DANCE

## Athlone

Wednesday April 21st

The Athlone Springs Hotel,  
Athlone

6.30-7.30 Salsa Fit

7.30-8.30 Zumba Fitness

8.30-9.30 Hip Hop Fit

€80 for gym members

## Roscommon

Thursday April 22nd

BG Designs Dance Studio,  
Racecourse rd.  
Roscommon

6.30-7.30 Salsa Fit

7.30-8.30 Zumba Fitness

8.30-9.30 Hip Hop Fit

10 week course for €110

Early Bird

Book in advance & get

€20

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