



The University of Limerick



Ergoman Project

## *Saving money through ergonomics in SMEs: What are the challenges in-house?*

### **Venue**

Castletroy Park Hotel, Castletroy, Limerick, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 14:00 to 17:00

### **Aim**

To share experiences of best practice ergonomics approaches and to identify obstacles facing small and medium size organisations due to the levels of ergonomics skills in-house.

### **Why should I attend?**

In the first part of the seminar you will hear about ergonomics programs from *large industry internationally*. You will hear how they plan and run their ergonomics programs, how they integrate ergonomics in the design of work, and what *benefits they enjoy*.

In the workshop you will hear about how *small and medium size organisations approach ergonomics in Ireland* with the resources they have, especially in the current financial climate. You will hear from *case studies* which demonstrate *low cost high benefit* ergonomics interventions.

During the workshop you will hear how different types and sizes of organisations implement ergonomics and what their experiences are. We will also chart the challenges facing small and medium industry and discuss the ergonomics skills gulf which many organisations face.

### **Who should attend?**

Specifically the seminar is aimed towards safety and risk policy decision makers in small and medium size enterprises; to include personnel managers, operations managers, engineers, health and safety practitioners, ergonomists, occupational health professionals and risk managers.

### **What is the cost?**

Registration fee & certificate of participation: €30

### **Who is organising the event?**

Dr. Leonard O'Sullivan, Lecturer in Ergonomics, University of Limerick and partner on the Ergoman Project.



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## Agenda

13:30 Registration, coffee and networking.

14:00 Welcoming address: Mr. Frank Power, Inspector at the Health and Safety Authority

### Seminar introduction

Dr Leonard O'Sullivan, University of Limerick &

Dr Emanuela Ovcin, COREP/Turin University: Coordinator Ergoman project

### Large Industry International Perspectives

14:15 The Fiat approach to workplace ergonomics

Mr Massimo Di Pardo, Fiat Research Centre (CRF)

14:30 Best practice ergonomics in the German Automobile Industry

Dr Jurij Wakula, Technical University Darmstadt Germany

14:45 Ergonomics at the work station design stage in the biomedical sector:

Presenter TBC

### Medium/Small industry experiences

15:00 Case study 1: Medium size industry

Ergonomics case study from Novartis Cork

*Mr Liam O'Sullivan.*

15:15 Case study 2: Medium/small size industry

Ergonomics intervention at Reynaers Aluminium Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford

*Ms Anne Ryan*

15:30 Coffee

**Workshop** *Chair Dr. Leonard O'Sullivan, University of Limerick*

15.45 Ergonomics challenges in Irish SMEs

16.30 Round table discussion: All presenters & delegates

17:00 End.



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### **Registration form**

#### **Booking Details:**

To register, send the following details in an email to [Aileen.jackson@ul.ie](mailto:Aileen.jackson@ul.ie) or by fax to 061-202913

Title	
Delegate name	
Organisation name	
Address	
Email address	
Telephone	
Fax number	
Work sector <i>(manufacturing, logistics, safety consulting.. etc..)</i>	
Number of employees <i>(Approximately)</i>	

Closing date: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2010. Availability is limited and places will be prioritised for those who register first.

Registration fee: €30 payable in cash or by cheque on the day.

The registration fee includes coffee, registration pack and certificate of attendance.

#### **Contact details**

Registration & administration queries	Technical/topic queries
Ms Aileen Jackson M&OE Dept University of Limerick Castletroy Limerick  Email: <a href="mailto:Aileen.jackson@ul.ie">Aileen.jackson@ul.ie</a> Telephone: 061-202850	Dr Leonard O'Sullivan M&OE Dept University of Limerick Castletroy Limerick  Email <a href="mailto:Leonard.osullivan@ul.ie">Leonard.osullivan@ul.ie</a> Telephone 061-234249

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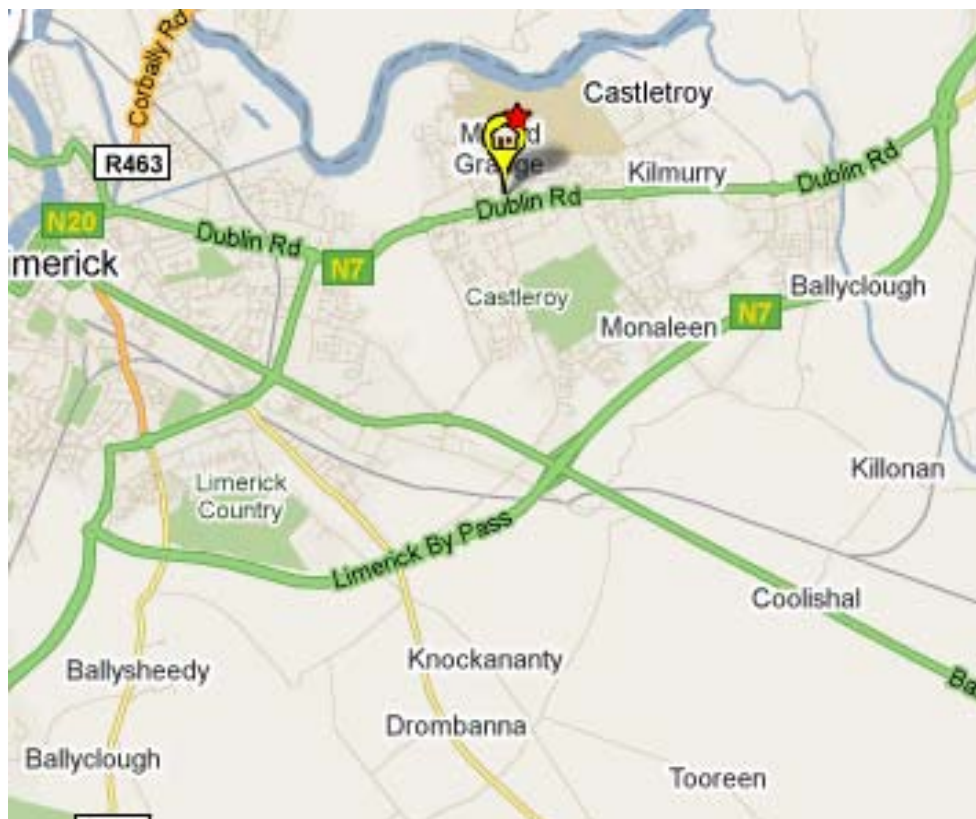
## **Travel Directions**

### **Directions**

The Castletroy Park Hotel is located just beside the front entrance of the University of Limerick. If using a satellite navigation system enter the hotel name, the “University of Limerick” or Castletroy.

For venue details and an interactive map visit <http://www.castletroy-park.ie/location>

To generate a route plan use [http://www2.aaireland.ie/routes\\_beta/](http://www2.aaireland.ie/routes_beta/)



Google map showing the location of the Castletroy Park Hotel

### **Parking**

Parking is free at the back of the hotel or in the underground car park. Note that you will be clamped if you park in front of the shopping complex adjacent to the main road.



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