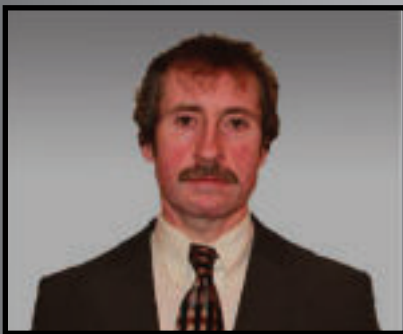


Graduate Winners

The 9th annual graduate of the year (2011) awards took place in Dublin on December 6th. These awards are designed to recognise and honour excellence in project management. They highlight the importance and value placed on Project Management as a recognised discipline, both to the business community and to the public in general. The standards achieved by the Award Winners are testimony, both to the level of competence attained by the individuals themselves and to the contribution that they each make to their individual companies and to the outside interests in which they are involved.



Frank Nash – National Winner

Frank is a mechanical engineer and works with Lufthansa Technik Turbine Technologies in Shannon. He has a wide spectrum of experience that has spanned over 18 years leading projects across different sectors such as Aviation, Manufacturing, Design & Electronics.

At Lufthansa he has acted as project manager on new product introduction projects and on capital acquisition programs.

He is also a Six Sigma black belt.



Regina McKeon - Leinster 1 Winner

Regina McKeon is a Treasury Manager with Bank of America, Dublin. She previously worked in a treasury project role with Pfizer, and in treasury operational roles in Accenture and Omnicom.

Regina has a BA Hons from UCD, a Post Graduate Diploma in Business Studies, Michael Smurfit Graduate School of Business, UCD, and a Higher Diploma in Financial Management from ACCA (ranked 1st in the world in module A, Interpretation of Financial Statements & Performance Management).



Marie Gilsenan Leinster 2 Winner

Marie Gilsenan is a project manager with Irish Life Assurance. She was programme office manager for the permanent TSB transformation programme reporting to the programme director.

Following her accountancy qualification she spent a couple of years working with the group finance, risk and investor relations teams on financial and compliance related projects. She is an associate of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants and holds a BBS degree from DCU.



Neil Murphy – Stryker Southern Winner

Neil Murphy is from Kerry and studied Electronic Engineering in UCC. He worked in the automotive industry with Alps Electric in Japan before joining the R&D department in Stryker Instruments Ireland in Cork in 2007.

His project management experience has been focussed on managing Capital Expenditure projects and new product development projects. He is a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering.