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Why LinkedIn?

- Building Connections
- Meeting Like Minded People
- Networking and Creating Opportunities
- 675 Million+ members
- 66% Irish Working Population have accounts



Today let's look at

Creating / Optimising Your Profile

LinkedIn

What will you use LinkedIn For?

To Communicate with Customers / Potential Customers

To Build up the Image of your Business

To Develop Professional Connections

To Search for a new Employee – or a new Job

A way of building up your Credibility and Profile



LinkedIn

What it is NOT:

A place to Sell, Sell, Sell It's **SOCIAL** media

A please for sharing anything too personal – that's Instagram

A place to hide... show me your face

A place to take, take, take.... Share something please

A place to ask too much from a stranger... build up some rapport



Your Personal Profile



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Providing services

Search Engine Optimization (SEO), Digital Marketing, Marketing Consulting, Social Media Marketing, Blogging, and Email Marketing



Public



LinkedIn

Your Summary is Your Story

Explain it simply but with passion

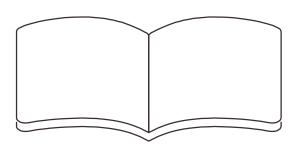
Make your first sentence count

Straightforward language

Frame your past & highlight your successes

Make it relevant to them

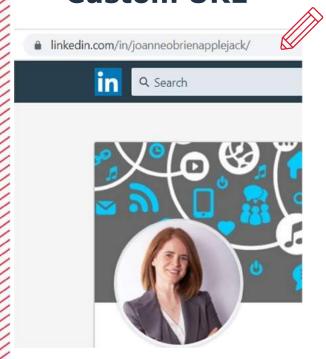
Remember 'What's in it for me?'



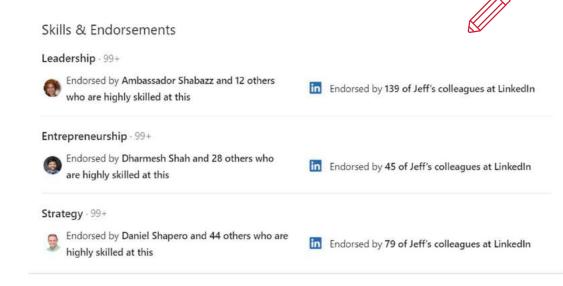


Optimise It

Custom URL



List of Skills





Engage, Engage, Engage

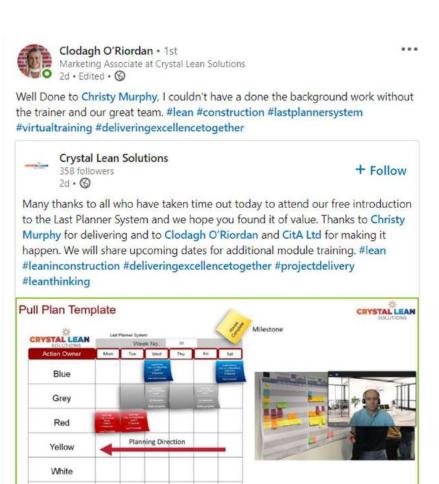
Share Relevant Content

Helps you appear in their feed

People will be reminded of you

Strive to add value

Add your own opinion





Follow the leaders

Find the influencers in your Industry

Add a range of interesting content to your feed

Share what adds value

Gives context to your profile

Demonstrates the passion for what you do

Interests



Digital Marketing Institute 12.752 members



Arianna Huffington in
Founder and CEO at Thrive Global
9.025.827 followers



Institute of Technology, Carlow 25,591 followers



Datascan Document Services 224 followers



Richard Branson in Founder at Virgin Group 17,048,373 followers



SocialMediopolis.com - New H...
1.996.956 members



Your Own Content

What have you got to say?

Show your thought leadership

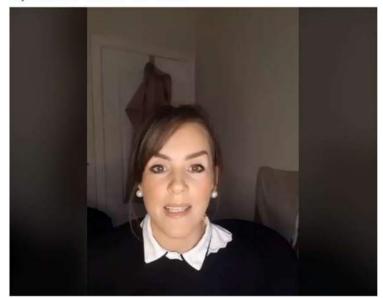
Show your expertise

Start a conversation

Reach out with specific content



Some tips that I can offer for credit in your business at this time of uncertainty. #creditmanagement #mybusiness #collections #workingtogetherfortomorrow #yourbusiness #business #ican #success





Some Ideas for Content

What people find interesting

Your views on what is trending in the business world

New innovations

Upcoming events

Your advice – Top Tips

How you see your industry

Your predictions

Remember – Images!

What about Video?

The Hashtag



Engage

Make the effort

Like

Comment

Reply

Share





Grow Your Network

The more the merrier!

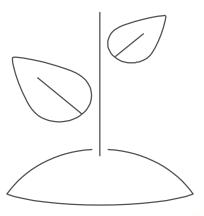
Search - who do you already know?

Accept invitations

Reach out to colleagues, past and present

Follow up meetings with a request

Be consistent in your efforts





Grow your Network

Personalise it

Add a note, it makes it even better.

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Hey Julia!	
It was great meeting you at your project goes!	the conference last week. Let me know how
Henri	



Objectives

Remember why you are doing this:

Harnessing the Reach

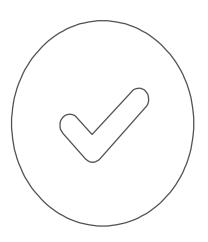
Get in front of people

Build a netowrk

Discover opportunities

Keep up with your industry

Build up your reputation





Don't make the mistakes

It doesn't work if....

You have a bad profile

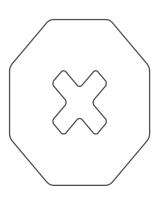
You don't give

You wait until you need something

You are inappropriate

You don't share

You don't care





Groups

A good way to learn and grow

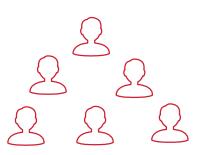
Share content

Find Answers

Post and view jobs

Make business contacts

Establish yourself in the industry





How to Generate Leads

Gently Does It

Reach out with a connection request

Make it personal

Interact with their content

Build Rapport

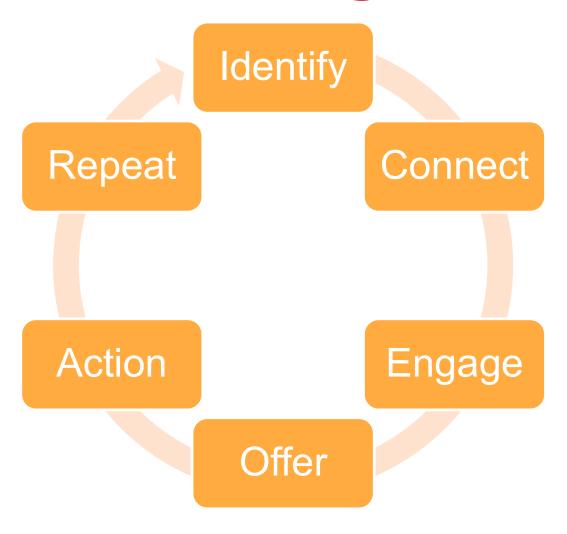
Offer something useful

Gently suggest a call or meeting





Generating Leads



Summary

Here's what to do.....

Optimise your Profile

Reach Out and Connect

Engage on LinkedIn – Share Content

Join Groups

Use this to network online

Be Consistent

Put in the **Effort** to get the **Rewards**





Questions

- What is a company page on LinkedIn?
- Can I use my connection list as a marketing list?
- What do I do with my 500+ connections?
- Should I accept all connection requests?
- What will I 'Say' to my connections?
- Do I include all past roles on my profile?





THANKS!

Any questions?
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