

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ASHE	Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings
BERD	Business Expenditure on Research & Development
BSP	Building Sustainable Prosperity
C & E	Competitiveness & Employment
CAP	Common Agricultural Policy
CSGs	Community Strategic Guidelines
DARD	Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
DCMNR	Department of Communication, Marine & Natural Resources
DE	Department of Education
DEL	Department for Employment and Learning
DETI	Department for Enterprise, Trade and Investment
DfES	Department for Education and Skills
DFP	Department of Finance and Personnel
DHSSPS	Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety
DOE	Department of Environment
DPA	Development Path Analysis
DRD	Department for Regional Development
DSD	Department for Social Development
DTI	Department of Trade and Industry
DWP	Department for Work and Pensions
EAFRD	European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development
EC	European Community
EFF	European Fisheries Fund
EIB	European Investment Bank
EIF	European Investment Fund
EQIA	Equality Impact Assessment
ERDF	European Regional Development Fund
ERINI	Economic Research Institute NI
ESF	European Social Fund
EU15	15 Member States which joined the EU before 2004
EU25	The 25 member states of the European Union
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FE	Further Education
GB	Great Britain
GCE	General Certificate of Education
GCSE	General Certificate of Secondary Education
GEM	Global Entrepreneurship Monitor
GDHI	Gross Disposable Household Income
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GVA	Gross Value Added
HE	Higher Education
HERD	Higher Education Research & Development
HMT	Her Majesty's Treasury
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
IDB	Intermediate Delivery Body
ILO	International Labour Organisation

ISCED	International Standards Classification of Education
JEREMIE	Joint European Resources for Micro to Medium Enterprises
JESSICA	Joint European Support for Sustainable Investment in City Areas
JSA	Jobseekers Allowance
LFS	Labour Force Survey
LTU	Long Term Unemployed
NAP	National Action Plan
NEET	Not in Education, Employment or Training
NISIP	NI Science-Industry Panel
NISRA	Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency
NITB	Northern Ireland Tourist Board
NRP	National Reform Programme
NSRF	National Strategic Reference Framework
NTHSPs	Niche Technology Horizon Scanning Panels
NUTS	Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics
NVQ	National Vocational Qualification
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OFM/DFM	Office of the First and Deputy First Minister
ONS	Office of National Statistics
PE	Public Expenditure
PMC	Programme Monitoring Committee
PSA	Public Service Agreement
R&D	Research and Development
R&TD	Research & Technology Development
RES	Regional Economic Strategy
RIS	Regional Innovation Strategy
Roi	Republic of Ireland
SEA	Strategic Environmental Assessment
SME	Small and Medium Sized Enterprise
SWOT	Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats
TEA	Total Entrepreneurial Activity
TENS	Trans European Networks