



## Irish Medical Organisation Upgrades New Building

No 10 and No 11 Fitzwilliam Place go 21<sup>st</sup> Century

The Irish Medical Organisation (IMO) has completed a major technology refresh of its IT infrastructure, linking its existing Georgian building to a newly purchased building next door on Fitzwilliam square. The new technology delivers a modular LAN solution across both buildings, as well as VoIP telephony and Wi-Fi access. The technology refresh was provided by SecureIT and Kedington.

The IMO is the professional body representing doctors in Ireland. The mission of the IMO is to improve the practice of medicine and the working conditions of doctors and be committed to developing a caring, efficient and effective medical service in Ireland. It is the sole negotiating body on behalf of all doctors in Ireland, recognised for negotiating purposes under the 1941 Trade Union Act.

Susan Clyne, Director of Finance & Administration, IMO, is excited about the new technology configuration. "We are able to subdivide the buildings into modular components, allowing us to rent out floors as and when we need to. Having Wi-Fi also allows visiting doctors to treat the building like their own offices, accessing internet and applications as required."

The technology refresh is underpinned by a CAT6 Cabling, delivering industry strength communications access in support of the demanding applications. Fibre cable provides the connectivity both horizontally between the buildings and vertically between the floors.

Paul Mooney, CEO for SecureIT Solutions was responsible for the smooth implementation of the project. "We have worked with the IMO for more than ten years and found this project to encompass a very broad and diverse range of aspects. Working with Kedington was a great experience as they have a very 'can-do' attitude. I have always found them willing and capable of delivering solutions of the highest caliber under the most demanding circumstances. Indeed on the night of going live, while Kedington had their deliverables on the project, they remained on with the rest of the team until everything went live – that is the kind of professionalism and camaraderie that we enjoy with the Kedington people."

SecureIT Solutions and Kedington worked together to design the LAN running across the five floors, allowing a modular approach to be taken by the IMO. As Matt Porter, managing director of Kedington, explains: "The IMO is able to sub divide the building into different tenants without having to change the technology. Having CAT6 cable also means that technologies such as VoIP run smoothly and the Wi-Fi network provides mobility within the building and flexible access for visiting doctors.

"We also moved the servers across to the new building, testing connectivity with all new and existing PCs. The end result is a very powerful modular IT infrastructure that leverages the IMO's investment in technology: even the VoIP telephony will reduce telecommunications costs, providing a return on investment in a short time period."

Porter adds: "Kedington has always lead the way in Structured Cabling in Ireland, we were the first to install Category 3, 4, 5, 5e, 6 , fibre, wireless and now Category 6a / 10Gig and we have always prided ourselves in future-proofing our clients networks with the fastest products available. However, now that more and more clients are looking to one company to deliver the

passive cabling and active switching, wireless and voice systems, Kedington's leadership in the passive and active areas is proving very attractive

"CAT 6 and CAT 6a represent a major step forward for the Structured Cabling industry. For the first time, network designers can now deploy copper passive networks that will support the current technologies and will also support future demand for speeds of up to 10 G bit."

Porter adds. "In a market where PCs are refreshed every three to five years, but cable can remain for up to 20, it is important to get this piece of IT jigsaw correct!"

### **About Kedington**

Kedington was founded in 1989 and was purchased by Denis O'Brien's Esat in 1999. In March 2003 an MBO, lead by Matt Porter and Colm Lyons was concluded taking the company back into private ownership. Matt and Colm managed to secure the entire Republic of Ireland operation, with offices in Dublin, Cork and Limerick, and kept the original management team together. Its customers have enjoyed a seamless change-over and continue to benefit from a huge wealth of expertise that still resides within the group.

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