

## **MSD officially opens European Shared Business Services Centre in Dublin**

**Shared Business Services Centre is actively recruiting to fill 150 high quality roles in its new state of the art offices**

**(1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2011)** MSD, the global healthcare company, is today officially opening its newly established Shared Business Services Centre (SBS Centre) for its European operations in Leopardstown Co. Dublin. Nearly 50 of the 150 high quality jobs created at the SBS Centre have already been filled by graduates in business, finance and languages and the company is actively recruiting to fill additional roles. Interested candidates should visit [www.msddublincareers.com](http://www.msddublincareers.com)

The Centre is primely located within the new state of the art offices of Red Oak House in South County Business Park in Leopardstown. Devised with the latest in environmental technologies in mind, and combined with cutting edge building design, the space created specifically fosters and encourages team work and interaction. The 3000sq meter development, spread over 2 floors, is comprised of numerous meeting and training suites, employee facilities including a Restaurant and Coffee Bar and generous open plan working environments and informal meeting spaces.

The establishment of the SBS Centre in Dublin, which was announced by An Taoiseach, Brian Cowen in May of last year, is part of MSD's strategy to create a multi-function European Shared Business Services organisation to support key business functions at a regional level.

"We are confident that Ireland offers the best combination of factors to ensure the success of the Centre. Ireland has a strong track record in the successful execution of complex projects such as this. One of the most important reasons for choosing Ireland

as the location for this international centre is the quality of its highly educated workforce which we are currently recruiting for, and also its proximity to European markets." said Mr Chris Scalet, Executive Vice President, Global Services and Chief Information Officer, Merck & Co., Inc., who presided over the ribbon cutting ceremony today.

The new European SBS Centre in Dublin represents a significant investment by MSD in Ireland and builds on the success MSD has experienced through its other business presence in the country which includes manufacturing, clinical research, sales and marketing.

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### **Notes to Editor**

Today's MSD is a global healthcare leader working to help the world be well. MSD is known as Merck in the United States and Canada and MSD elsewhere. Through our prescription medicines, vaccines, biologic therapies, and consumer care and animal health products, we work with customers and operate in more than 140 countries to deliver innovative health solutions. We also demonstrate our commitment to increasing access to healthcare through far-reaching policies, programs and partnerships. For more information, visit [www.msd.ie](http://www.msd.ie).

### **MSD in Ireland**

MSD employs 2,300 people directly in Ireland and provides an additional 9,000 indirect jobs through its operations at sites across Ireland.

In the last four decades the company has invested over €2.2bn in Ireland. MSD is one of Ireland's leading exporters and contributes significantly towards making the pharmaceutical industry the country's leading export sector. MSD is a member of Guaranteed Irish and manufactures or packages many of its leading products for the world market in Ireland.

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