

1. Expand membership

Employer members are at the heart of the Network as their feedback and comments are essential if the Network is to meet the needs of the fish and shellfish industry throughout Northern Ireland.

- *Our goal is to expand the membership of the Network to 20 or more employers by March 2016.*

2. Apprenticeships and education

Apprenticeships and further education are core to the aims of the Seafood Training Network Northern Ireland (NI).

- *Our goal is to register 50 fish and shellfish apprentices at Levels 2 and 3 by December 2016*
- *We will facilitate educational activities for colleges and schools with at least 6 seafood educational events in 2016, attended by at least 60 students and supporting college staff with CPD activities.*

3. Workshops

Industry/ education workshops will be delivered as required to further the aims of the Network and highlight opportunities and resources to Network members.

- *We aim to deliver up to 6 workshops addressing key business opportunities and issues with at least 60 attendees in total, to include two on apprenticeship roadshows, by December 2016.*

4. NI Seafood Industry Training Needs Assessment

Based on the findings of a recent Training Needs Assessment of the seafood industry in NI:

- *We will develop an assessment of the training needs of the onshore sectors and the capacity to deliver those training needs.*

5. Training

We aim to ensure members are better informed about training opportunities in NI.

- *We will publish a short programme of course dates and develop new training courses as required.*

6. NI Seafood Industry Case Studies

Sample case studies developed by Seafish in Northern Ireland have shown the benefit of these documents in disseminating information about the industry.

- *The network will seek to develop profiles of all Network members to better inform employers, trainers and others of the scope of the seafood industry in NI.*