

Noord Holland - ICT



Reference	EGF/2010/012 Noord Holland
Member State	The Netherlands
Sector	Wholesale
Submitted to European Commission	8 April 2010
Total budget planned	€3 934 055
EGF contribution	€2 557 135
Intervention criterion	Article 2 (b) Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006
Period of reference	1.5.2009 to 31.1.2010
Redundancies during period of reference	613 in 2 enterprises in the NUTS II region Noord Holland
Active employment measures	To be provided for 613 workers and include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - coaching from job to job, - mobility centres (active accompaniment) - outplacement, - training, and - employability scan.

BACKGROUND

- The information and communication technologies (ICT) sector, in particular enterprises involved in the development and sales of hardware, has been seriously affected by the crisis. In 2009 the turnover of the two enterprises concerned by this application dropped significantly: for Getronics the decrease was 25 % and for HP it was 17 % for the PC division and 19 % for the printing division.
- The negative impact on employment in the ICT sector of the global financial and economic crisis has been exacerbated by structural changes in the global ICT market, in particular a delocalisation of production to China and India.
- Noord Holland, the province affected by the redundancies, belongs to the Randstad, the most densely populated area in the Netherlands.
- The impact of the redundancies at local level is high due to fact that it will aggravate the employment situation, which had already deteriorated as a consequence of the global financial and economic crisis. In 2009 the number of unemployed in the active population in Noord Holland reached 68 300, of whom 24 500 were located in the larger Amsterdam area.