

IRLANDE - IRELAND**John McGUINNESS, T.D.**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRADE
AND COMMERCE AT THE DEPARTMENT
OF ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT



John Mc Guinness, T.D., was appointed Minister for Trade and Commerce in July 2007.

Born in Kilkenny 1955. Married to Margaret Redmond (Carlow), one daughter, Alva, and three sons: Andrew, MJ and John.

Educated in Kilkenny C.B.S. Diploma in Business Studies.

First elected to the Dáil in 1997. Member of Oireachtas Committee of Finance and Public Services. Vice Chairman of the P.A.C. (Public Accounts Committee), Member of Joint Oireachtas Committees for European Affairs, Enterprise and Small Business (Government Whip), Justice, Equality and Women's Rights.

Elected to Kilkenny Corporation in 1979 and to Kilkenny County Council in 1991. Mayor of Kilkenny in 1996, becoming the third generation of his family to hold the office.