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Irish firms secure €35m of contracts in South Africa

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The Minister for Enterprise, Micheál Martin, has announced that Irish firms who participated in the Enterprise Ireland Trade Mission to South Africa will win €35m worth of contracts over the next two years.

Companies such as Arrantech, Azotel, Changing Worlds, CR2 and ESB International have agreed contracts with South African-based companies such as Motorola, ESCom and Standard Bank.

Mr Martin said: "This mission saw more than 50 Enterprise Ireland-supported firms form important links and partnerships in a region which has a population of 185 million people."

Frank Ryan, CEO of Enterprise Ireland said: "Many of the companies taking part in the Trade Mission, especially in the IT and software sectors, are seeking local partners to expand operations in the region and we see significant scope for new business development."

"I am greatly encouraged that companies such as Butler Manufacturing are playing a role in developing water treatment systems which can be used in remote locations across Africa, while companies such as Audit Diagnostics are supporting humanitarian agencies by donating health analysis systems."

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