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BIM's Skills Development Services (SDS) Unit is committed to the principles and practice of excellence. Using internationally recognised ISO Standards, the National Fisheries Colleges of Ireland (NFCI) based in Greencastle, Co Donegal and Castletownbere, Co Cork has developed an Integrated Quality & Environmental Management System (QEMS). This QEMS provides a framework to achieve quality deliverables, environmental protection and a sustainable continual improvement of our activities based on the following core principles:

- Full compliance with all relevant EU and Irish legal requirements.
- Conformance with requirements of our awarding bodies: Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI) and the Marine Survey Office (MSO) in the Department of Transport, where applicable.
- Provision of the highest possible level of quality education and training to our learners.
- Prevention of pollution and protection of the natural environment from harm and damage as a result of our activities.
- Development of objectives and plans to help us improve our quality and environmental performance and achieve a level of continual improvement.
- Improvement of our waste management practices, reduction of energy consumption, and promotion of environmental sustainability within the two colleges.
- Enhancement of the overall service to learners, ensuring that they are fully satisfied with our training programmes and services.
- Consideration of the requirements of all interested parties, ensuring their needs are clearly understood so that our services can be delivered in a timely and professional manner.
- Development of our entire staff through training, education and supports to ensure competency for their specific area of work, where appropriate.
- Management participation in the monitoring and measurement of the performance of the Quality and Environmental Management System and focus on acting on opportunities for continual improvement.

Signed: 

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