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Patricia Carey, CEO of the Adoption Authority of Ireland, announces the launch of the Authority's new website

The Adoption Authority of Ireland is pleased to announce the launch of our new Website – www.aai.gov.ie.

The design-to-launch process took over 6 months and included input from stakeholders and adoption agencies in Ireland and abroad.

Importantly the new website introduces a contact form to allow the public to email the staff in the Authority they wish to contact directly. This can be found at <a href="http://aai.gov.ie/contact-us.html">http://aai.gov.ie/contact-us.html</a>

The website also introduces the Members of the Authority including personal profiles, their meeting dates and our management team.

The website reflects 3 core activities where the AAI interacts with members of the public on a daily basis: (i) Domestic Adoption, (ii) Intercountry Adoption & (iii) Information & Tracing.

Also included are sections on other activities including (i) Accreditation & (ii) Social Work.

There is also comprehensive information on Corporate Governance including Publications, Freedom of Information, Data Protection, Health & Safety and Statistics.

The Authority has prioritised the use of Plain-English throughout the website and has included a (NALA approved) Glossary of Adoption Terms for ease of use.

Also included - a Latest-News section to reflect developments in Adoption as they unfold.

The Authority would like to thank all stakeholders who provided feedback and opinion on the layout and content of the website.

We have designed the website to be regularly updated by members of Authority staff and the Authority welcomes all future feedback from the public.

For further details on the work of the Adoption Authority of Ireland, please contact Corporate Services at <a href="mailto:corporate@aai.gov.ie">corporate@aai.gov.ie</a>.

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