

# Quarterly Performance Summary

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Quarter 2  
July-September 2012

## Overall organisation summary

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Overall quarter two can be characterised as a period of consolidation, development and preparation, with a particular focus on pushing forward our thinking and proposals for the longer term vision for employer ownership.

Thirty-four successful employer ownership bids from round one were announced by the Secretary of State Dr Vince Cable on 11 September as part of the government's wider industrial strategy. In support of this, Charlie Mayfield gave an interview to the Financial Times outlining the Commission's vision for employer ownership and the need for the UK to make a decisive shift to employer led training. The immediate challenge is to complete the set up work with round one successful employers. The bigger challenge is bringing together employer ownership and the Growth and Innovation Fund for round two applications and scaling up the ambition to support larger scale projects.

Momentum continues on the Youth Employment work following the successful launch of the Youth Employment Challenge last quarter. A Northern Ireland version of the 'Grow your own' leaflet was launched alongside DELNI's new Youth Employment Scheme. Media coverage has been strong, particularly around the decline in Saturday jobs for young people, which underlines the need to reinvent transitions into work.

The Commission has continued to expand its investment portfolio from 77 active investment proposals to 98 investments in quarter 2 and a total projected investment of £94m matched by £93.8m from employers. Through the Growth and Innovation Fund (GIF) we are seeing increased number of applications from Chambers of Commerce and local bodies such as Local Enterprise Partnerships.

# Headline ratings



Proven impact/  
on track to  
deliver in line with  
expectations



Impact not yet proven/  
progress behind  
expectations but can  
get back on track



Impact unlikely/  
progress  
significantly behind  
expectations and unlikely  
to get back on track

Outcome	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1. More employers investing in the skills of their people				
2. More career opportunities for young people				
3. More collective action by employers through stronger sectors and local networks				
4. More employers stepping up and taking ownership of skills				

Assets	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Commissioner insight				
Research				
Investors in People				
Investment				
Standards and Frameworks				