

## Ovation Ireland

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### Why Ovation Ireland

Ovation Ireland forms part of Ovation Global, the international Destination Management Company providing consistent, award-winning services at multiple locations across four continents. Established in 1993, Ovation Ireland draws on the experience of an expert local management team in operating high touch incentives, corporate meetings and association conferences for national and international customers

### Who We Are

Ovation Ireland represents the natural evolution of a destination management company formed in 1993 in Ireland by Patrick Delaney and Padraic Gilligan. Initially a 2 man operation, their niche activity rapidly earned its reputation as Ireland's premier DMC operator growing to the global award winning organization it is today. Throughout this time the Ovation mission statement has remained at the very core of what we do.

***"People and relationships are the DNA of Ovation Group. Through our openness, passion and expertise we develop your vision and make it happen!"***

### What Sets Us Apart

#### Accreditations and Certifications

Our people are member of SITE, MPI, ISES, HSMIAI, PCMA, FICP, ICCA and serve at local, national and international level. Patrick Delaney is the past President of SITE while Padraic Gilligan serves as International President for SITE in 2008. In Belfast Lesley Maltman sits on the board of the Belfast Visitor & Convention Bureau and has sat on the Board of Belfast Visitor & Convention Bureau for the past three years.



#### Awards & Accolades:

- Seven SITE Crystal Awards
- MPI (Meeting Professional International) Global Paragon Award.
- ICCA Best Marketing Award
- Top 25 DMC worldwide' from Special Events Magazine 4 years running
- Listed among Top 50 companies to work for in Ireland 2006 and 2008

**Destination Information**

It's said that **Ireland**, once visited, is never forgotten, and for once the blarney rings true. The Irish landscape has a mythic resonance, the country's history is almost tangible, and its people seem put on earth expressly to restore faith in humanity. The weather may sometimes give you the impression that you're swimming through an airborne ocean, but the emerald green countryside scattered with luxuriant wildflowers, castle ruins, magical mountain and lake vistas will more than console you for the webbed feet you'll need to grow. As beautiful as **Ireland** is, the country's main attraction is its people - their hospitality, their felicitous use of language and their marvelous sense of humour ensure a warm welcome. Enter a pub in **Ireland** on a rainy day, and you'll find a room full of friends. In **Ireland** there are no strangers, only friends who haven't yet met!

**Unique/Popular Venues**

The Guinness Storehouse, Dublin  
Comprising several function and business conference rooms. For large-scale events the venue can be used in its entirety. Alternatively, the Gravity bar hovers above the roof of the storehouse and with an incredible 360-degree view over the Dublin skyline it is the perfect venue for an exclusive, unforgettable party or for corporate entertaining.

SS Nomadic, Belfast

Board the sister ship to the Titanic and the last surviving vessel of the world famous White Star Lin for a unique drinks reception

**A Few Program Highlights**

Delivering an exclusive recital of Handel's Messiah with full baroque orchestra at Dublin Castle for VISA International (Australia)

Privatising a performance by Van Morrison in Dublin to 500 incentive qualifiers of one of the largest Insurance Companies in the United States.

Creating an authentic medieval Irish village for Young Presidents' Organisation (YPO), the international association of high net worth

**Client Testimonials:**

"Thank you for a great job with the Alfa Insurance Super Star incentive program. We made the right choice to partner with Ovation and that decision was confirmed many times as we worked together. Everyone we met seemed to fit our formula for success and exceed every expectation. Executing flawless events is not just some happy accident and it takes teamwork and dedication to get things done in business. We got everything we expected from Ovation and then some! It is this quality of 'and then some' that Ovation does best."  
*David Smart, Director, Destinations Alabama*

"I know a lot of planning and creativity went into making the trip the huge success that it was and we could not have done it without the expertise of Ovation. Planning an international trip can sometimes prove trying yet Carol was responsive to our needs. Thank you for Ovation's expertise and dedication to the Winzer Incentive trip. We hope to work with you again in the future."  
*Gwenna Brush, President The Maxcel Company*