Dear Tánaiste,

We are writing to you following the recent job losses in the wider tech sector.

As the representative body for Irish tech start-up and scaling companies, Scale Ireland believes there is an opportunity to help these highly skilled workers to continue to make a valuable contribution to Ireland's economic success.

The indigenous tech start-up sector has grown significantly in terms of jobs, exports, revenue and innovation. It is widely recognised at EU level that the sector will be a significant driver of future economic growth.

Given this positive background, Scale Ireland sees considerable merit in assisting those impacted by the recent redundancy announcements to direct their skills and experiences into the indigenous tech start-up sector.

Scale Ireland would welcome an opportunity to discuss with you and officials in your Department, the feasibility of a targeted support scheme to incentivise these individuals to either join an existing start-up or scaling company, or to explore the possibility of establishing their own start-up.

We are available to discuss this further, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Martina Fitzgerald, CEO and Brian Caulfield, Chair of Scale Ireland