

The Football Association of Ireland today launches its new Coaches Association. The FAI offers a range of coaching courses beginning from Kick Start 1 and 2 right through to UEFA Pro Licence and sees the Coaches Association as a vital component for future success. Nationally, the FAI has almost 28,000 registered coaches and this number has been increasing steadily year on year as clubs and leagues recognise the benefits of quality coaching in player development.

[www.fai.ie/coaching](http://www.fai.ie/coaching)

The FAI Coaches Association will provide coaches of all levels with access to useful and insightful coaching tips and advice, including session plans (technical, tactical and fitness), video content and interviews. Membership will also include access to a top class Session Planning Software package that allows Coaches design and print their own Session Plans – this software is used by Chelsea, West Ham and Fulham amongst others.

Membership will cost €44.99 per year, including the Software. The cost of membership works out at 12 cents a day and the FAI is committed to providing value for money to its coaches as the service develops over the coming months and years.

Membership sign up will be available through the FAI Coaches Association website at [www.fai.ie/coaching](http://www.fai.ie/coaching) which will go live from 2pm Thursday, 1st December.