

SECTION 7



REFERENCES AND WEBSITES

7.1 Websites

7.1.1 E-commerce support packages for horticulture

www.account2000.co.uk MYOB Accounting is the computerised accounting system, which includes every financial function that small and medium sized businesses need - plus an array of contact and business management tools

www.accounting-software-shop.co.uk Sage Line accounts includes multiple delivery addresses, individual customer price lists, support for online e-banking, Sage WebTrader 50 order processing integration, free Sage Forecasting and Sage Informer 50

www.agrimarches.fr Agro Marches Internationaux is a company specialising in IT and electronic solutions for the technical and commercial organisation of selling fresh produce. It has developed a range of systems and services especially for fruit and vegetables and derived products, as well as fresh, frozen or stabilised produce. For primary markets, products in the IKTUS range can be used to manage stock forecasts, auctions, real time market prices and supplies for major retailers and all downstream operators

www.agromarketplace.com Agromarketplace is a trading site with members including small and medium sized and multinational trading, producing and e-commerce companies. Visitors complete their offers and provide company data through a free service

www.agrinova.co.uk Agrinova UK Ltd has designed information management and traceability systems for the fresh produce sector. E-commerce opportunities also exist and AMI platforms are already bringing together major buyers and sellers across Europe

www.buyitnet.org The BuyIT best practice network is an independent not-for-profit group with a mission to help organisations realise the business benefits from information and communications technology by identifying and promoting best practice in e-business

www.comdaq.net Comdaq operates a trading engine, which is a series of interactive, on-line, business-to-business exchanges for the trading of a number of physical commodities

www.e-centre.org.uk This association offers help and advice on electronic commerce and provides a comprehensive suite of services to its members to help them to adopt best practice in doing business electronically across the extended enterprise. It supports and publicises the EAN-UCC (International Article Numbering Association/Uniform Code Council) standards and electronic commerce standards as required by members

liste-efita@acta-informatique.fr The European Federation for International Technology in Agriculture, Food and the Environment prepares a useful on-line and free newsletter on E-commerce technologies

www.electronicmarkets.org Electronic markets is a key forum for advancing the understanding and practice of electronic markets and commerce

www.e-envoy.gov.uk The office of the e-Envoy (OeE) is leading the drive to get the Government online. It ensures co-ordination across government, tracks progress and manages selected projects that are of cross-departmental benefit, e.g. a government intranet (knowledge network), and a secure gateway for communicating with the public (Government gateway). The office of the e-Envoy has an advisory input into the Treasury's financing decisions

European Union Initiatives/ E-Business Campaign: The Euro Info Centre E-business campaign is being run by Euro Info Centres (EICs) in 18 countries and aims to provide information and advice to SMEs that are keen to adopt and implement e-business or those that feel they still require information about the possibilities it has to offer.

Austria :	http://wko.at/ebusiness/
Belgium :	www.ccib.be
Germany :	http://www.eic.de/e-business/
Denmark :	http://www.e-helvede.dk/ & http://www.hvri.dk
Finland :	http://www.euroneuvontakeskus.com
France :	http://www.industrie.gouv.fr/eic/e-commerce
Greece :	http://www.eic.gr
Iceland :	http://www.icetrade.is/ebusiness
Italy :	http://www.euroinfocentre.it/
Luxembourg :	http://www.euro-info-centre.lu
Netherlands :	http://www.euroinfo.nl (click on e-business)
Norway :	http://www.eic.no
Poland :	http://www.euroinfo.org.pl/e-biznes
Portugal :	http://www.e-vital.pt
Slovenia :	http://www.pcmg.si
Spain :	http://www.eic-ebusiness.org/
Sweden :	www.euroinfo.se
UK:	http://www.go-digital.info

www.farmline.com Farming on-line is probably one of the longest pay to view portals available on-line and has more than 5000 subscribers and a range of services for growers including 24hour weather reports, new articles and market price information

www.freshinfo.com is an online database for producers and suppliers listing current product availability; news and services for the fresh fruit and vegetable industry

www.freshware.co.uk The Freshware trading system is a suite of programmes designed specifically for the fresh food and produce industry and is primarily used to handle consignment/lot trading and tracking. Freshware provides systems for all the market sectors including: importers, wholesalers / secondary wholesalers, catering suppliers, growers, co-operatives, pre-packers and multiple suppliers, third party distribution, transport, distribution and storage companies. The system provides management and operational information with full financial and statistical analysis

www.fruitbusiness.com is an exchange platform for fruit and vegetable buyers and sellers. Fruitbusiness allows members to send purchase requests and/or sale proposals to other buyers and sellers. It has a universal and multilingual produce catalogue and a reference base for all trade negotiations

www.fruitline.com Provides Internet based service that rationalizes the flow of business communications between existing business partners and provides software is as an automated solution that connects a wholesaler with his clients

www.geologistics.com Geologistics is a leading international logistics integrator. Thanks to a worldwide, online network of 700 agents and sophisticated Internet tools, its clients can monitor their consignments 24 hours per day. A combination

of extensive physical resources and information technology skills ensures door-to-door control of the events in the logistics chain

www.hairyape.co.uk is the largest interactive fruit, vegetable and flower search engine in the world and provides a service for importers, exporters, growers, wholesalers and all sections of the fresh produce industry. It allows companies to alter and update their own produce or services at anytime

www.hplgroup.com Hellmann Perishable Logistics is the only global freight forwarder that is 100% committed to the perishable industry. HPL facilities are equipped with the latest state-of-the-art refrigerated storage

www.i2.com is a leading provider of end-to-end supply chain management solutions. i2 design and deliver software that helps customers optimise and synchronize activities for managing supply and demand activities

www.interforum.org InterForum is a not-for-profit organisation that helps businesses to trade electronically. All of *InterForum's* activities are governed by need to raise awareness of the many business opportunities and challenges presented by new information and communication technologies. InterForum works to ensure that education, legislation, and technology are in place to help businesses to profit from the digital economy

www.navision.com Microsoft on line financial accounting packages; Microsoft Business Solutions (Navision, Axapta 3.0, XAL, Solomon)

www.progis.com maintain a number of E-commerce applications useful for supporting horticultural production and marketing

www.ukonlineforbusiness.gov.uk/supply UK online for business is an industry/Government partnership aimed at encouraging businesses, particularly smaller businesses, to exploit the opportunities of IT. The network of UK online for business advisers offers independent help and advice for putting technology to immediate and effective use

www.vfm.net VFM specialises in the development and marketing of trade management and communications technology adapted for the fresh produce industry

7.1.2 International horticultural information

www.codexalimentarius.net The Codex Alimentarius Commission was created by FAO and WHO to develop food standards, guidelines and codes of practice. The main purpose of this Programme is ensuring fair trade practices in the food trade

www.ean-int.org/fresh.html EAN International is a project that aims to facilitate efficient international trade and food safety by developing and promoting global solutions for the fresh produce supply chain. Fresh Produce Traceability Guidelines can be downloaded from the site of EAN International

www.eurep.org EUREP (Euro Retailer Produce Working Group), represents leading European food retailers and use GAP (Good Agricultural Practice) as a framework for verification. It is designed specifically for businesses in the fresh produce supply chain

www.eurofruitmagazine.com Eurofruit Magazine is Europe's leading magazine for decision-makers in the international fresh produce business. It is published by Market Intelligence Limited

www.europa.eu.int Europa is the portal site of the European Union (<http://europa.eu.int/>). Users can also consult all legislation currently in force or under discussion, access the websites of each of the EU institutions.

www.europa.eu.int/eur-lex/en/consleg/reg/en_register_036054.html European Union regulations for fresh fruit and vegetable imports and exports

www.fao.org FAO (The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) is one of the largest specialized agencies in the United Nations system and the lead agency for agriculture, forestry, fisheries and rural development

www.globalfoodsafety.com Global Food Safety Initiative has the following priorities: to implement a scheme to benchmark food safety standards world-wide; to encourage co-operation between the world-wide food sector and national and pan-national governments and authorities; to coordinate good retailing practices

www.ghvi.co.nz The web site contains information specific to commercial vegetable crop production in greenhouse environments and on the principles and processes used in managing greenhouse crop production systems

www.iccwbo.org Incoterms 2000 are standard trade definitions most commonly used in international sales contracts

www.iso.ch The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) is a worldwide federation of national standards bodies International Organisation for Standardisation (1993) Reference: ITC/177/AO/ Export quality management: ISO 9000. Quality management systems

www.organic-europe.net/europe_eu/statistics.asp The Internet site was co-funded by the EU-Commission, Agriculture Directorate-General and has been maintained by the Swiss Research Institute of Organic Agriculture.

www.useu.be/agri/fairs.html The FAIRS reports are market access reports offering detailed overviews of labelling and import requirements for food and agricultural products, food legislation and standards in the European Union and the different member states

www.wto.org The World Trade Organization (WTO) is the only global international organisation dealing with the rules of trade between nations. The goal is to help producers of goods and services, exporters, and importers conduct their business

7.1.3 General training and education

European Union

http://europa.eu.int/comm/education/programmes/leonardo/leonardo_en.html The Leonardo Da Vinci programme promotes trans-national projects based on co-operation between the various players in vocational training - training bodies, vocational schools, universities, businesses, chambers of commerce, etc. - in an effort to increase mobility, to foster innovation and to improve the quality of training.

http://europa.eu.int/comm/education/programmes/socrates/grundtvig/home_en.html GRUNDTVIG, Adult education and other educational pathways, is aimed at enhancing the European dimension of lifelong learning. It supports a wide range of activities designed to promote innovation and the improved availability, accessibility and quality of educational provision for adults, by means of European co-operation.

<http://www.cedefop.eu.int> Cedefop The European agency that helps policy-makers and practitioners of the European Commission, the Member States and social partner organisations across Europe make informed choices about vocational training policy.

www.eurodesk.org Eurodesk is a network of national, regional and local information providers who deliver European information to young people and

those who work with them. The Eurodesk database contains information on more than 150 European funding programmes or budget lines, together with the relevant contacts and documentation.

www.europa.eu.int/comm/dgs/education_culture The European Commission Directorate-General for Education and Culture implements a variety of programmes, policies and regulatory actions that develop a European area of lifelong, preserve and enhance Europe's cultural diversity in the various fields and promotes forms of active participation for citizens, particularly young people.

www.eurydice.org EURYDICE, the information network on education in Europe, produces reliable, readily comparable information on national education systems and policies.

www.trainingvillage.gr The European Training Village (ETV) is an interactive website where you can participate by sending news, taking part in virtual conferences, exchanging information, registering in mailing lists, if you are involved in any aspect of vocational training.

www.unice.org UNICE (Union des Industries de la Communauté européenne) focuses its action in encouraging entrepreneurship, creating space for business, improving labour market flexibility, and promoting a balanced sustainable development policy.

International

www.ciee.org Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE) offers educational programmes abroad for students, faculty and educational administrators. It is the founding institution of the Journal of Studies in International Educational Exchange, a forum for noteworthy efforts to provide quality international educational exchange programmes.

www.cmt-wcl.org The World Confederation of Labour (WCL) is an international trade union confederation uniting autonomous and democratic trade unions from countries all over the world.

www.ei-ie.org Education International is a world-wide trade union organisation of education personnel, whose 26 million members represent all sectors of education from pre-school to universities.

www.ibe.unesco.org The IBE, which is an international centre for the content of education, manages World data on education, a databank presenting on a comparative basis the profiles of national education systems, collects and disseminates through its databank innovations and best practices on education and co-ordinates preparation of national reports on the development of education.

www.iea.nl The International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement (IEA) is an independent, international cooperative of national research institutions and governmental research agencies. It conducts large-scale comparative studies of educational achievement, with the aim of gaining a more in-depth understanding of the effects of policies and practices within and across systems of education.

www.oecd.org Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development best known for its publications and its statistics, its work covers economic and social issues from macroeconomics, to trade, education, development and science and innovation.

www.unesco.org United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization The main objective of UNESCO is to contribute to peace and security in the world

by promoting collaboration among nations through education, science, culture and communication

www.unesco.org/education/uie UNESCO Institute for Education, UIE, is a non-profit international research, training, information, documentation and publishing centre on literacy, non-formal education, adult and lifelong learning. UIE makes a contribution in enhancing access to learning, and improving the environment and quality of learning for all in all regions of the world.

www.unesco.org/iau International Association of Universities (IAU) is the UNESCO-based world-wide association of universities. It brings together institutions and organisations from 150 countries for reflection and action on common concerns and collaborates with various international, regional and national bodies active in higher education.

www.unesco.org/iiep IIEP is a centre for training and research, specialised in educational planning and management, whose primary goal is to strengthen the capacity of countries to plan and manage their education systems. IIEP builds capacity of Member States through training, research and observation.

www.unevoc.unesco.org UNESCO's International Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training is dedicated to developing and improving technical and vocational education and training in UNESCO's Member States. Its focus is on information exchange, networking and international cooperation.

www.waceinc.org The World Association for Cooperative Education is an international non-profit organisation that actively advocates cooperative education (also known as work-integrated learning or co-op) around the world. It also provides technical information and assistance to schools, businesses, and governments that want to establish or strengthen cooperative education programs.

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