

**EMPLOYMENT**

## Oz appeal for 20,000 labourers

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THERE was further hope on the jobs front yesterday with news 20,000 jobs are up for grabs Down Under.

Delegates from Australia will jet into Dublin next week in a bid to attract thousands of skilled workers to make the move.

The visit will come as a huge boost for Ireland's almost 500,000 unemployed.

And the recruitment drive is so important for Australia's Northern Territory that the jobs minister himself Rob Knight, will be making the trip to Dublin to attract staff.

He said: "The Northern Territory has a tight labour market and a low unemployment rate, meaning many skills are needed now to fuel the economy."

