

**Smart Coaching & Training** are pleased to be supporting a new package of activities to help local businesses grow – Gloucestershire’s Accelerated Impact Network (GAIN).

With this programme, which is supported by the European Regional Development Fund, the University of Gloucestershire is building on the very successful national service previously offered by Growth Accelerator. This means SMEs who are serious about their growth plans, can access **40% of the costs of 4 days of high quality business coaching**. They’ll also get offered **free masterclasses** on issues contributing to growth, and **networking events** for learning and support from other businesses with the potential for increasing productivity and profitability.

Gloucestershire’s Accelerated Impact Network Project Manager, Geraldine McCullagh says *“This is a really exciting opportunity for us to offer a Gloucestershire specific programme of support to SMEs to take them to the next level in terms of their turnover, job creation and new products and services. The funding runs until December 2019, so we’ve got 2 and a half years to make a real and measureable difference to over 200 companies in the county”*.

As an Approved Coach under the scheme **Isla Baliszewska** of Smart Coaching & Training says *“If you are an SME owner in Gloucestershire and you want to innovate, grow or scale up your business, this subsidised coaching offering is definitely something to go for.”*

To find out more about Gloucestershire’s Accelerated Impact Network and whether you’re eligible, email [islab@smartcoachingtraining.co.uk](mailto:islab@smartcoachingtraining.co.uk)