SKILLSOFT PUBLIC LIMITED CO Form S-8 POS April 20, 2006 As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 20, 2006 Registration No. 333-83927

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 SkillSoft Public Limited Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

KNOWLEDGE WELL LIMITED

Republic of Ireland

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

107 Northeastern Boulevard Nashua, New Hampshire (Address of Principal Executive Offices) Not Applicable (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

03062 (Zip Code)

1998 SHARE OPTION PLAN KNOWLEDGE WELL GROUP LIMITED 1998 SHARE OPTION PLAN (Full Title of the Plan) **Charles E. Moran President and Chief Executive Officer SkillSoft Public Limited Company 107 Northeastern Boulevard** Nashua, New Hampshire 03062 (Name and Address of Agent For Service) (603) 324-3000 (Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent For Service) Copies to: Patrick J. Rondeau, Esq. **WilmerHale 60 State Street Boston, MA 02109**

Explanatory Note:

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-8, File No. 333-83927 (the Registration Statement) is being filed to deregister certain Ordinary Shares of SkillSoft Public Limited Company (the Company) that were registered pursuant to the Company s Knowledge Well Limited 1998 Share Option Plan (the KWL Plan) and the Company s Knowledge Well Group Limited 1998 Share Option Plan (the KWGL Plan).

The Registration Statement registered 422,889 (as adjusted for stock splits occurring subsequent to the filing of the Registration Statement) Ordinary Shares issuable under the KWL Plan. An aggregate of 420,531 Ordinary Shares were issued to participants under the KWL Plan. The KWL Plan has been terminated, and no additional shares will be issued thereunder. The Registration Statement is hereby amended to deregister the remaining 2,358 Ordinary Shares reserved for issuance under the KWL Plan that remain unsold.

The Registration Statement registered 38,756 (as adjusted for stock splits occurring subsequent to the filing of the Registration Statement) Ordinary Shares issuable under the KWGL Plan. An aggregate of 30,250 Ordinary Shares were issued to participants under the KWGL Plan and options to purchase a total of 88 Ordinary Shares remain outstanding. The KWGL Plan has been terminated, and no additional shares will be issued thereunder. The Registration Statement is hereby amended to deregister the remaining 8,418 Ordinary Shares reserved for issuance under the KWGL Plan that remain unsold.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements of filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Nashua, State of New Hampshire on April 20, 2006.

SKILLSOFT PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

/s/ Charles E. Moran Charles E. Moran President and Chief Executive Officer