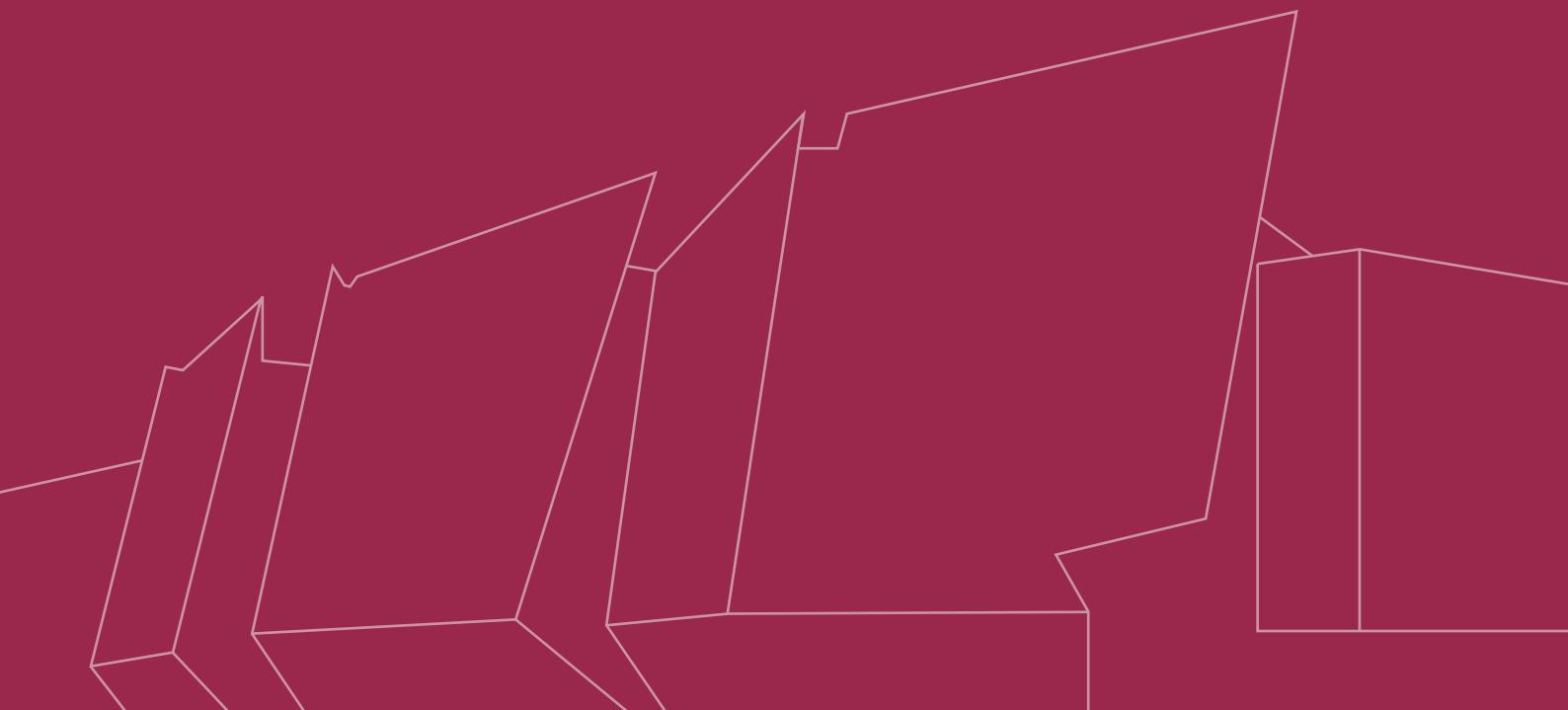


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Réamhrá 1

Ráiteas an Chathaoirligh 1.1

Is onóir agus cúis ríméid dom dul i mbun an róil seo mar Chathaoirleach Bhord Rialaithe GMIT. Ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghlacadh le Des Mahon Uasal, an cathaoirleach atá tar éis éirí as, as na cùig bliana seirbhísé tiomanta a thug sé don Institiúid. Ba bhliain shuntasach í 2015/16 in GMIT nuair a ceapadh an Dr Fergal Barry ina Uachtaráin ar GMIT, in ionad Michael Carmody Uasal. Guím rath ar Michael agus é ar scor agus táim ag súil le bheith ag obair i ndlúthchomhar leis an Dr Barry.

Leanann an Institiúid de dhul chun cinn a dhéanamh san aidhm atá aici na critéir le bheith ainmnithe ina hOllscoil Teicneolaíochta a bhaint amach. Ghlac an tAire Oideachais agus Scileanna le Céim 1 den Ráiteas Spéise ó Chomhghuaillíocht Chonnacht-Uladh. Ach níor chóir an t-ualach oibre a bhaineann le hullmhú na chéad chéime eile den phróiseas a mheas faoina luach.

Ag mé ag breathnú siar ar rath agus éachtaí na bliana seo caite, ritheann méid na rannpháirtíochta gnó-tionscail leis an Institiúid liom. Tugaim faoi deara ach go háirthe an comhoibriú le Coillte agus campas Leitir Fraic; an comhoibriú tréan leis an ngrúpa RPS; agus an Chomhdháil Bhliantúil Foirgníochta a óstaíonn Roinn na hInnealtóreachta Foirgníochta & Sibhialta. Is cúis iontais dom freisin an rath a bhí ar an Institiúid agus í ag mealladh cistíú Springboard ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachas d'fhoinn go bhfaigheadh daoine difhostaithe bealach ar ais chun an oideachais agus an fórsa saothair ar deireadh.

Tá éachtaí na foirne agus na neach léinn fite fuaite sa tuarascáil seo agus cé go bhfuil siad rólionmhar le lúa molaim an rath agus na héachtaí go léir atá liostaithe. De bhrí gur institiúid teagaisc í GMIT go príomha, áit a bhfuil an teagasc faoi thionchar taighde, molaim iarrachtaí na hInstitiúide agus an tsármhaiteas á haithint sa réimse sin aici. Tugaim faoi deara gur bhronn an Institiúid gradaim ar bheirt bhall foirne a roghnaíodh le haghaidh Duais an Uachtaráin don tSármhaiteas si dTeagasc agus gur éirigh le léachtóir amháin Duais Náisiúnta don tSármhaiteas i dTeagasc a bhaint amach.

Mar Chathaoirleach ar Bhord Rialaithe na hInstitiúide, ba mhaith liom mo bhúiochas agus mo mheas a chur in iúl don fhoireann thiomanta, idir lucht acadúil, bainistíochta, riarracháin, teicniúil, a bhfuil moladh mór tuillte acu go léir as a ngairmiúlacht. Ar deireadh is mian liom mo bhúiochas a chur in iúl do mo chomhbhaill ar an mBord Rialaithe a chuidíonn go mór trína gcion suntasach ar an mBord Rialaithe agus ar phochoistí éagsúla le forbairt na hInstitiúide.



Cormac McDonncha
Cathaoirleach, Bord Rialaithe GMIT

Introduction 1

Chairperson's Statement 1.1



It is an honour and a pleasure for me to take on this role of Chairperson of the GMIT Governing Body. I would like to pay tribute to Mr Des Mahon, the outgoing chairperson, for his five years of dedicated service to the Institute, 2015/16 was a significant year in GMIT with the appointment of Dr Fergal Barry as President of GMIT, replacing Mr Michael Carmody. I wish Michael well in his retirement and I look forward to working closely with Dr Barry.

The Institute continues to make progress in its ambition to achieve the criteria to become a Technological University. The stage I Expression of Interest from the CUA was accepted by the Minister for Education and Skills and the workload involved in preparing for the next stage of the process should not be underestimated.

Looking back over the achievements and successes of the past year I am struck by the extent of the business-industry engagement with the Institute. In particular I note the collaboration with Coillte and the Letterfrack campus; the strong collaboration with the RPS group; and the annual Construction Conference hosted by the Department of Building & Civil Engineering. I am also struck by the success of the Institute in attracting Springboard funding from the HEA to enable unemployed people find a pathway to education and ultimately back to the workforce.

Staff and student achievements permeate this report and while there are too many to mention I command all the achievements and successes listed.

As GMIT is predominantly a teaching institution, where teaching is informed by research, I applaud the efforts of the institute in recognising excellence in this area. I note that in 2015/16 the Institute made awards to two staff members selected for the President's Award for Teaching Excellence and one lecturer was successful for the National Teacher Excellence Award.

As chairman of the Institute's Governing Body I would like to extend my gratitude and appreciation to the dedicated staff; academic, managerial, administrative and technical, all of who deserve great credit for their professionalism. Finally I want to extend my gratitude to my fellow Governing Body members, who through their contributions at Governing Body and various sub-committees, contribute significantly to the development of the Institute.



Mr Cormac Mac Donncha
Chairperson, GMIT Governing Body

Ráiteas an Uachtaráin

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Agus athbhreithniú á dhéanamh agam ar mo chéad bhliain ag GMIT, tig liom an obair den scoth a dhéanann an Institiúid s'againe a dhearbhú, a bainistíocht agus a foireann, ar mhaithleis na neacha léinn, an réigiún agus an tsochaí. Is mian liom sa réamhrá seo dár d'Tuarascáil Bhliantúil 2015-2016 blas a thabhairt duit ar éachtaí na hInstitiúide. Cuireann dea-thoil fhoireann na hInstitiúide agus go háirithe ag leibhéal na nuálaíochta atá le feiceáil sna Piléir Straitéiseacha Forbartha: Léann agus Teagasc; Forbairt Taighde agus Nuálaíochta; Idirnáisiúnú; Comhoibriú agus Comhghuaillíochtaí (e.g. Comhghuaillíocht Straitéiseach GMIT agus CLG); agus Rannpháirtíocht Neach Léinn agus Pobail idir ionadh agus áthas orm. Bronnadh dámhachtainí ar 2,000 neach léinn GMIT geall leis ag Bronnta Céimeanna bliantúla GMIT in 2015. Tá an-cháil ar chéimithe GMIT agus bónn rátaí an-arda fostáiochta acu mar a léiríonn an suirbhé bliantúil ar a gcéad cheann scríbe de chuid na hInstitiúide. Ba mhór an pléisiúr dom Gradaim don tSármhaitheas i dTeagasc a bhronnadh ar Celine Curtain agus ar an Dr John Healy agus Comhalaíochtaí Oinigh ar an Dr Donagh O'Donoghue, an Dr Matt Molloy agus ar Michael O'Neill Uas.

Ba chéim mhór chun tosaigh é don Institiúid i nDeireadh Fómhair 2016 nuair a d'fhaomh an tAire Oideachais agus Scileanna, Jan O'Sullivan TD, Ráiteas Spéise Chomhghuaillíochta Chonnacht-Uladh chun bogadh ar aghaidh i dtreo Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta (OT) a chruthú. Gnóthaíodh cistiú go hiomaíoch de €1.599M i mBealtaine 2016 chun Fís na Comhghuaillíochta Chonnacht-Uladh a chur chun cinn. Tacóidh an cistiú seo ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachas le tionscadail thrasinstitiúideacha atá dírithe ar éifeachtacht, forfhás i gngiomhaíocht Taighde agus Forbartha agus raon eagraíochtaí idirnáisiúnta le dul chun cinn mar ollscoil chuimsitheach teicneolaíochta a éascú. Táim ag tnúth leis an Institiúid a stíradh trí na céimeanna breise den phróiseas le bheith ainmnithe mar OT.

D'fhaomh an Institiúid i mí na Nollag 2015 straitéis nua fáis agus coinneála agus raon de bhearta chun tacú le coinneáil neach léinn, agus ceapadh oifigeach lánaimseartha, Carmel Brennan Uas., in Eanáir 2016. Lena chois sin sheol muid Láirionad Foghlama Matamaitice, rud a chomhlánaíonn an Láirionad Tacaiochta Scríbhneoireachta Acadúla atá bunaithe go maith. Fuair an Institiúid an Bhratach Ómra, rud a thug aitheantas do na feachtas rathúla i gcur chun cinn sláinte intinne na neach léinn. Táim ag súil le cur lenár bhfeasacht agus ár dtacaíocht do Shláinte Intinne agus le tuilleadh forbartha a dhéanamh ar champais fholláine agus ghlasa.

Tá ag éirí le straitéis na hInstitiúide maidir le freagairt d'éileamh agus riachtanais scileanna an mhargaidh, faoi mar a léirítear sa méadú suntasach ar an éileamh ar ár sraith clár leibhéal 8, go mór mór sna cláir spreagúla in Eolaíocht Spóirt agus Aclaíochta, Dearadh, agus Oideachas agus Cúram Luathóige agus sa spéis leanúnach sna cursáil Talmhaíochta dár gcuid. I mbliana bhí tóir ar ár sainchéimeanna sa Scoil Ghnó. Fuarthas cistiú de €1M beagnach ón Roinn

President's Statement

1.2



Reviewing my first year at GMIT I can truly attest to the excellent and high quality work carried on by our Institute, its management and its staff for the benefit of students, the region and society. In this foreword to our 2015 2016 Annual Report I want to share with you a flavour of the Institutes successes. I have been overwhelmed by the goodwill of the Institute's staff and particularly by the level of innovation demonstrated across its Strategic Development Pillars of Learning and Teaching; Research Development and Innovation; Internationalisation; Collaboration and Alliances (e.g. the GMIT GAA Strategic Alliance); Student and Community Engagement. Almost 2,000 GMIT students were conferred with awards at the annual GMIT Conferrings in 2015. GMIT graduates have an excellent reputation and enjoy very high employment rates as evidenced by the Institute's annual first destination survey. It was my great pleasure to confer Teaching Excellence Awards on Celine Curtin and Dr John Healy and Honorary Fellowships on Dr Donagh O'Donoghue, Dr Matt Molloy, and Mr Michael O'Neill.

The Institute took a major step forward in October 2016 when Minister for Education and Skills Jan O Sullivan T.D. approved the Expression of Interest of the Connacht Ulster Alliance to progress towards the creation of a Technological University (TU). Competitive funding of €1.599M was won in May 2016 to advancing the Vision of the Connacht Ulster Alliance. This funding from the HEA will support the development of cross institutional projects focused on efficiency, growth in R&D activity and the development of organisational international reach to facilitate advancement as a comprehensive technological university. I look forward to directing the Institute through further stages of the TU designation process.

The Institute approved a new growth and retention strategy and range of measures to support student retention in December 2015 and appointed a full-time retention officer, Ms Carmel Brennan, in January 2016. We also launched a Maths Learning Centre complementing an established Academic Writing Support Centre. The Institute also received an Amber Flag in recognition of GMIT students' successful mental health promotion campaigns. I look forward to increasing both our Mental Health awareness and supports and further developing healthy and green campuses. The Institute's strategy of responding to market demand and skills needs is succeeding as evidenced by the significant increase in demand for our suite of Level 8 programmes, particularly the exciting new programmes in Sport and Exercise Science, Design, and Early Childhood Care and Education and continued interest in our Agriculture courses. This year our specialist degrees in our School of Business have also proved popular. Almost €1m of funding was secured from the Department of Education and Skills toward the refurbishment of our science and computing laboratories. GMIT was pleased to offer with the support of Springboard 136 free places on programmes of study in Medical Device Technology & Quality Management, Construction Management, Culinary Arts and Software Development.

Oideachais agus Scileanna chun na saotharlanna eolaíochta agus riomhairreachta a athchóiriú. Bhí áthas ar GMIT le cabhair ó Springboard 136 ionad saor in aisce a thairiscint ar chlár léinn i dTeicneolaíocht Feistí Leighis agus Bainistíocht Cháilíochta, Bainistíocht Foirgníochta, Ealaíona Cócaireachta agus Forbairt Bógearrá.

Rinne GMIT na príomhcheapacháin bainistíochta seo a leanas in 2015-2016: ceapadh Michael Hannon Uas. mar Leas-Uachtarán do Ghnóthaí Acadúla agus Cláraitheoir; ceapadh an Dr Rick Officer don phost mar Leas-Uachtarán do Thaighde agus Nuálaíochta; ceapadh Cáit Noone Uas. ina Leas-Uachtarán do Rannpháirtíocht Idirnáisiúnta; ceapadh an tOllamh Graham Heaslip mar cheann ar Scoil Ghnó GMIT; ceapadh an Dr Lisa Ryan don phost nua mar Cheann na Roinne Eolaíochtaí Nádúrtha; ceapadh Éamonn Ryan Uas. don phost mar Cheann na Roinne Cuntasáíochta agus Córás Faisnéise; agus ceapadh Justin Kerr Uas. mar Cheann Altranais, Eolaíochtaí Sláinte agus Cúraim Shóisialta.

Maidir le Taighde agus Nuálaíocht, ghnóthaigh an clár SMART atá bunaithe in GMIT príomhdhuais ón tionscal muirí. Foilsíodh an chéad staidéar ar thruailliú microcreaplaisteach in uiscí Artacha ar an Déardaoine, 8 Deireadh Fómhair 2016, in Nature - Scientific Reports leis an eolaí de chuid an Láirionad Taighde Muirí agus Fionnuisce, an Dr Amy Lusher, agus a cuid comhoibreoirí. Is fiú a thabhairt faoi deara freisin seoladh Gateway nua Teicneolaíochta Innealtóireachta Idirdhisciplíneacha a chuireann réitigh den scot ar fáil d'Fhiontar Bheaga agus Mheánacha agus d'egraíochtaí móra thar na hearnálacha MedTech agus déantúsaíochta ginearálta. Tá ár bhfoireann sna iMol le moladh as Clár nua rathúil New Frontiers agus as cistíú a fháil chun an iMol i nGáillimh a leathnú. Fuarthas cistiú de €1.8M ó Fhiontar Éireann don Chláir Forbartha Fiontraí New Frontiers ar feadh 5 bliana an chlár agus túis leis in Eanáir 2016. Fuarthas cistiú de €3M i bhFeabhra 2016 ó Fhiontar Éireann le haghaidh iMol GMIT na Gaillimhe a leathnú. Tá ceapacháin thábhachtacha sa réimse taighde agus nuálaíochta ag soláthar na ceannaireachta chun na caighdeáin an-arda a bhaint amach a bhaineann le cáilíochtaí na foirne agus méid agus aschur an taighde is gá le bheith aimmhithe mar ollscoil teicneolaíochta. Tá ról lárnach á imirt ag ár sain-láirionaid sna réimsí Muirí agus Fionnuisce agus Innealtóireachta Feistí Leighis chun an mhéadach sin a bhaint amach.

Rinne an Institiúid a Máistirphlean Forbartha Caipítíl a athbhreithníu d'fhoinn tosaíocht a thabhairt dár gcuspóirí éadálacha talún agus foirgneamh lena chuintí go mbeidh muid in ann an infheistíocht is gá a aimsiú chun misean agus fis na hInstitiúide a chur chun cinn a chuirfidh ar chumas GMIT deiseanna níos fearr a oscailt dár neacha léinn sa réigiún, don fhioireann atá ag saothrú san Institiúid agus don gheilleagar agus don tsochaí áitiúil i gcoitinne. Thug fógra an Údarás um Ard-Oideachas go rabhthas chun athbhreithniú iomlán a dhéanamh ar an mbealach a maoiníonn siad institiúidí tríú leibhéal misneach dúinn.

GMIT made the following key management appointments in 2015-2016: Mr Michael Hannon was appointed as Vice President for Academic Affairs and Registrar; Dr Rick Officer was appointed to the new post of Vice President GMIT for Research and Innovation; Ms. Cait Noone was appointed as VP of International Engagement; Professor Graham Heaslip was appointed as Head of the GMIT School of Business; Dr Lisa Ryan was appointed to the new post of Head of Department of Natural Sciences and Mr Eamon Walsh was appointed to the post of Head of Department of Accounting and Information Systems; Mr Justin Kerr was appointed as the Head of Nursing, Health Sciences and Social Care.

On the Research and Innovation front the GMIT based SMART programme won a top marine industry award. The first study of microplastic pollution in Arctic waters was published Thursday, 8 October 2016, in Nature's Scientific Reports by GMIT's Marine and Freshwater Research Centre scientist Dr Amy Lusher and her collaborators. Also of significant note is the launch of a new Medical Engineering Technology Gateway with funding of an interdisciplinary Technology Gateway providing world class solutions for SMEs and large organisations across the MedTech and general manufacturing sectors. Our team in the iHubs are to be congratulated on a very successful New Frontiers Programme and on securing funding to extend the iHub in Galway. €1.8M funding was secured from Enterprise Ireland for the New Frontiers Entrepreneur Development Programme for 5 years of the programme starting in January 2016 and €3M in funding was secured from Enterprise Ireland for extension of the GMIT Galway iHub in February 2016. Key appointments in the area of research and innovation are providing the leadership to achieve the very high standards relating to the qualifications of staff and the volume and quality of research output needed for designation as a technological university. Our niche research centres in the areas of Marine and Freshwater and Medical Device Engineering are playing a central role in achieving these metrics.

The Institute revised its Capital Development Masterplan prioritising our building and land acquisition objectives to ensure that we are best placed to secure the necessary investment to advance the mission and vision of the Institute and position GMIT to unlock greater opportunity for students in our region, for our staff working in the institution, and for the broader local economy and society. We were heartened by the announcement of the Higher Education Authority to carry out a full review into the way it funds third-level institutions.

On behalf of the Governing Body I wish to extend a sincere thank you to our staff, students and to all our stakeholders for their contributions to the development of GMIT during the academic year 2015 2016. I want to congratulate all of our staff, graduates and students for the various awards and accolades they have been acknowledged with. I thank them for their engagement work through: our open days; exhibitions such as Creative Wave; festivals such as SCIFEST;

Ar son an Bhord Rialaithe, glacaim buíochas ó chroí lenár bhfoireann, lenár neacha léinn agus lenár bpáirtithe leasmhara uile as a gcion d'fhorbairt GMIT le linn na bliana acadúla 2015-2016. Is mian liom tréaslú lenár bhfoireann agus lenár neacha léinn as na duaiseanna éagsúla agus na gradaim a thug aitheantas dóibh. Glacaim buíochas leo as a bheith rannpháirteach inár laethanta oscailte; i dtaispeántais amhail Creative Wave; féilte amhail SCIFEST; comórtais, ar a n-áirítear CANSAT; na comhdhálacha iomadúla amhail an Chomhdháil Bhliantúil Foirgníochta agus an tAonach Bhliantúil Turasóireachta; aontáí gairme, cuairteanna staidéir agus aoi-chláir léachtóireachta; gníomhaíochtaí fionraíochta agus carthanais. Is fiú aird a thabhairt go sonrach ar an nGradam Náisiúnta don tSármhaitheas i dTeagasc a ghnóthaigh Colm Kelleher agus don Chomórtas Scileanna Idirnáisiúnta a ghnóthaigh Cian Mulligan, arb é an chéad neach léinn freisin a ghnóthaigh trí theideal i Scileanna Uile-Éireann i gCearpeantóireacht, Siúinéireacht agus Caibinéadacht. Is ceart buíochas ar leith a ghlacadh leis an Dr Mark McCarthy agus le Coiste Eagrúcháin ár gClár Comóradh Céad Bliain 1916 agus moladh a thabhairt d'fhoireann Bainistíochta an Choláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaón as an ról a d'imir siad i dtairiscint rathúil na Gaillimhe i Márta 2016 le haghaidh teideal Gastranamaíocht Réigiúnach na hEorpa 2018.

Ar deireadh, is mian liom buíochas a thabhairt do Des Mahon Uas. as a mhaoirseacht ar GMIT agus é ina Chathaoirleach ó 2011-2016 agus guím sonas is rath air sa todhchai.

competitions including CANSAT; the many conferences such as our Annual Construction Conference and Annual Tourism Fair; careers fairs, study visits and guest lecture programmes; entrepreneurial and charitable activities. Of particular note is the National Teaching Excellence Award won by Colm Kelleher and the International Skills Awards Competition won by Cian Mulligan who is also the first student to hold three Ireland Skills titles in Carpentry, Joinery and Cabinetmaking. A special thank you goes to Dr Mark McCarthy and the Organising Committee of our 1916 Centenary Programme and GMIT's College of Tourism and Arts Management Team are to be commended for their role in Galway's successful March 2016 bid for European Region of Gastronomy title for 2018.

Finally, I would like to thank Mr Des Mahon for his stewardship of GMIT as our Chairman from 2011-2016 and I wish him all the very best in the future.

Dr Fergal Barry
President,
Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology.

An Dr Fergal Barry
Uachtaráin,
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo.

Ráiteas Misin agus Físe 1.3

Is mar seo a leanas atá ráiteas misin GMIT:

‘Ag GMIT forbraímid deiseanna don fhoghlaím ar feadh an tsaoil trínár dteagasc agus taighde, trí thacú le forbairt réigiúnach atá ag teacht leis an bpolasaí náisiúnta don ardoideachas.’

Feidhmíonn GMIT thar limitéar leathan tíreolaíoch agus tá campais aici i gCathair na Gaillimhe, Caisleán an Bharraigh (Campas Mhaigh Eo), Leitir Fraic agus an Creagán, agus cláir chreidiúnaithe agus sainchláir foghlama ar aon á seachadadh aici sa raon dámhachtainí ón bprintíseacht go PhD ar Chreat Náisiúnta na gCáiliúchtaí (NFQ). Bíonn GMIT gafa freisin ag taighde, comhairleoireacht tráchtala agus gníomhaíochtaí pobail. Tar éis athbhreithniú lárthéarma in 2013, tá síneadh curtha le Plean Straitéiseach GMIT (2010-2015) d’fhoinn an tréimhse 2013-2016 a chuimsiú, agus is é atá ann ná na cúig philéar straitéiseacha seo a leanas atá mar threoir dá forbairt:

- Foghlaim agus Teagasc;
- Comhoibriú agus Comhghuaillíochtaí;
- Taighde, Forbairt agus Nuáláiocht;
- Rannpháirtíocht Neacha Léinn-Pobail, agus
- Idirnáisiúnú.

Mar institiúid ilchampais, ildisciplín, ildámhachtaine a dhéanann freastal ar chuallacht eagsúl neach léinn, tá mar aidhm ag GMIT a bheith ina heagraíocht neach léinn-láraithe atá thírithe go príomha ar an bhfoghlaím agus ar an teagasc. Tá GMIT bródúil as an bhféiniúlacht sin agus meas aici ar an bhfoghlaím agus ar an teagasc atá bunaithe ar an taighde.

Is mar seo a leanas atá físe GMIT:

- Is croíghníomhaíocht de chuid na hInstitiúide atá agus a bheidh san fhoghlaím, a thugann neacha léinn, lucht foirne agus an réigiún le cheile chun eolas a chur i ngníomh, a tháistíl agus a chruthú;
- Leanfaidh GMIT de bheith ag forbairt mar eagraíocht réigiúnach ag a bhfuil fócas idirnáisiúnta, atá tiomanta do shaibhriú pearsanta agus gairmiúil a cuid neach léinn, do riachtanaí a réigiún, agus do na tosaiochtaí náisiúnta agus deiseanna domhanda;
- Déanfaidh GMIT freagairt do pheirspictiochtaí agus ionchais a cuid páirtithe leasmhara chomh maith le iad a mhúnlú agus comhoibreoidh sí leo chun freastal ar a gcuid riachtanas;
- Is éard a bheidh in GMIT ná eagraíocht ag a bhfuil na tréithe solúbthacht, cruthaitheacht, sofhareagracht agus an cumas chun í féin a oiriúnu.’

Mission and Vision Statement 1.3

GMIT’s mission statement reads as follows:

‘At GMIT we develop life-long learning opportunities through our teaching and research, by supporting regional development consistent with national higher education policy.’

GMIT operates across a wide geographical area with campuses in Galway City, Castlebar (Mayo Campus), Letterfrack and Mountbellew, delivering both accredited and customised programmes of learning, ranging from apprenticeship to PhD awards on the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ). GMIT is also involved in research, commercial consultancy and community activities. GMIT’s Strategic Plan (2010 to 2015), following a mid-term review in 2013, has now been extended to cover the period 2013-2016 and consists of the following five strategic pillars to guide its development:

- Learning and Teaching;
- Collaboration and Alliances;
- Research, Development and Innovation;
- Student-Community Engagement and
- Internationalisation

GMIT, as a multi-campus, multi-discipline, multi-award Institute serving a diverse student body, aspires to be a student-centred organisation with a primary focus on learning and teaching. GMIT is proud of this identity and values learning and teaching informed by research.

The vision of GMIT’s reads as follows:

- Learning is and will be the core activity of the Institute, bringing students, staff and the region together to share, apply, test and create knowledge;
- GMIT will continue to develop as a regional organisation with an international focus committed to the personal and professional enrichment of its students, the needs of its region, national priorities and global opportunities;
- GMIT will both shape and respond to the perspectives and expectations of its stakeholders and will work in collaboration with them to meet their needs;
- GMIT will be an organisation characterised by its flexibility, creativity, responsiveness and a capacity to adapt.’

Rialachas 2

Bhord Rialaithe

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Governance 2

Governing Body Members 2.1



Bord Rialaithe Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo, Aibreán 2015 – Aibreán 2020.

Taoibh Thiar, Clé go Deas: Declan Gibbons Uas., Mary Rogers Uas., Gareth Roe Uas., Michael Geoghegan Uas., An Comh. Niall McNelis, Sam O'Neill Uas., An Comh. Karey McHugh, Joseph Cunningham Uas.

Chun Tosaigh, Clé go Deas: An Comh. Mary Howard, Amy Kelly Uas., Jim Fennell Uas., Des Mahon Uas. (Cathaoirleach), An Comh. Michael Maher, Máire Ní Chionna Uas., Celestine Rowland Uas.

Stair Bhaill an Bhord Rialaithe Aibreán 2015 –Aibreán 2020

Des Mahon Uas.	Cathaoirleach
An Dr Fergal Barry	Uachtaráin, GMIT
David Leahy Uas.	BOO na Gaillimhe-Ros Comáin
An Comh. Neil McNelis	BOO na Gaillimhe-Ros Comáin
An Comh. Michael Maher	BOO na Gaillimhe-Ros Comáin
An Comh. Karey McHugh	BOO na Gaillimhe-Ros Comáin
Celestine Rowland Uas.	IBEC
An Comh. Mary Howard	BOO Luimnigh & an Chláir
Seosamh Mac Donncha	BOO Mhaigh Eo, Shligigh & Liatroma
Gareth Roe Uas.	Ionadáí Foirne Acadúla
Mary Rogers Uas.	Ionadáí Foirne Neamh-Acadúla
Michael Geoghegan Uas.	Ionadáí Foirne Neamh-Acadúla
Máire Ní Chionna Uas.	Innealtóirí Éireann
Siobhán Burke Uas.	Irish Hotels Federation
Declan Gibbons Uas.	Lárionad Scannáin na Gaillimhe
Michael Kerrigan Uas., Amy Kelly Uas. ina ionad	Ionadaí Neacha Léinn
Mark O'Brien Uas., Sam Ó Néill Uas. ina ionad	Ionadaí Neacha Léinn

Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology Governing Body, April 2015 – April 2020.

Back Row, Left to Right: Mr Declan Gibbons, Ms Mary Rogers, Mr Gareth Roe, Mr Michael Geoghegan, Cllr Niall McNelis, Mr Sam O'Neill, Cllr Karey McHugh, Mr. Joe Cunningham.

Front Row, Left to Right: Cllr Mary Howard, Ms Amy Kelly, Mr Jim Fennell, Mr. Des Mahon, Cllr Michael Maher, Ms Máire Ní Chionna, Ms Celestine Rowland.

History of Governing Body Members April 2015 – April 2020

Mr Des Mahon	Chairman
Dr Fergal Barry	President, GMIT
Mr David Leahy	Galway & Roscommon ETB
Cllr Neil McNelis	Galway & Roscommon ETB
Cllr Michael Maher	Galway & Roscommon ETB
Cllr Karey McHugh	Galway & Roscommon ETB
Ms Celestine Rowland	IBEC
Cllr Mary Howard	Limerick & Clare ETB
Mr Seosamh McDonagh	Mayo, Sligo & Leitrim ETB
Mr Gareth Roe	Academic Staff Representative
Ms Mary Rogers	Non-Academic Staff Representative
Mr Michael Geoghegan	Non-Academic Staff Representative
Ms Máire Ní Chionna	Engineers Ireland
Ms Siobhán Burke	Irish Hotels Federation
Mr Declan Gibbons	Galway Film Centre
Mr Michael Kerrigan replaced by Ms Amy Kelly	Student Representative
Mr Mark O'Brien replaced by Mr Sam O'Neill	Student Representative

An Comhairle Acadúla 2.2

Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo: Ballraíocht na Comhairle Acadúla

Jim Fennell Uas. (Cathaoirleach), An Dr Fergal Barry ina ionad ó 1 Deireadh Fómhair 2015
Michael Hannon Uas. (Rúnaí)
Carmel Brennan Uas.
Tom Burke Uas.
John Carty Uas.
Terry Casey Uas.
An Dr Damien Costello
An Dr Patrick Delassus, An Dr Carine Gachon ina ionad ó 1 Meán Fómhair 2016
An Dr Seán Duignan
An Dr Larry Elwood, an tOllamh Graham Heaslip ina ionad ó 1 Feabhra 2016
Deirdre Fahy Uas.
An Dr Jennifer Farrell
Maura Fitzsimons Uas.
An Dr Des Foley
An Dr Deirdre Garvey
An Dr Carine Gachon
Michael Gill Uas.
An Dr Seamus Lennon
Deirdre Lusby Uas.
Phil Lydon Uas.
Gerard MacMichael Uas.
Hugh McBride Uas.
An Dr Mark McCarthy
Kevin McDonagh Uas.
An Dr Séamus McGuinness
Ivan McPhillips Uas.
An Dr Oliver Mulryan
Mary Nestor Uas.
Cait Noone Uas.
Jim O'Connor Uas.
An Dr Ian O'Connor
Sinéad O'Connor-Lomas Uas.
Orla O'Doherty Uas.
Dermot O'Donovan Uas.
Aedin Ó hEocha Uas.
Gerry O'Neill Uas.
An Dr Rick Officer
Des O'Reilly Uas.
Margaret O'Riordan Uas.
An Dr Eleanor Rainsford
An Dr Gareth Roe
Mary Rogers Uas.
An Dr Paddy Tobin
John Scahill Uas.
Margaret Waldron Uas.

Academic Council 2.2

Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology: Academic Council Membership

Mr Jim Fennell (chair), replaced by Dr Fergal Barry on 1st October 2015
Mr Michael Hannon (Secretary)
Ms Carmel Brennan
Mr Tom Burke
Mr John Carty
Mr Terry Casey
Mr Damien Costello
Dr Patrick Delassus, replaced by Dr Carine Gachon on 1 September 2016
Dr Sean Duignan
Dr Larry Elwood replaced by Prof Graham Heaslip on 1 February 2016
Deirdre Fahy
Dr Jennifer Farrell
Ms Maura Fitzsimons
Dr Des Foley
Dr Deirdre Garvey
Dr Carine Gachon
Mr Michael Gill
Dr Seamus Lennon
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Ms Phil Lydon
Mr Gerard MacMichael
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Ms Mary Rogers
Dr Paddy Tobin
Mr John Scahill
Ms Margaret Waldron

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Michael Kerrigan Uas., Uachtaráin CnaNL
Mark O'Brien Uas., Leas-Uachtaráin CnaNL

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Mr Michael Kerrigan, SU President
Mr Mark O'Brien, SU V-President

An Fhoireann Shinsearach 2.3

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Baill Foirne Shinsireacha: 31 Lúnasa 2016**Uachtaráin**

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Ceann Campas GMIT Mhaigh Eo:
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Mayo

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An Dr Fergal Barry ceaptha ina Uachtarán Nua ar GMIT

D'fhaomh Bord Rialaithe GMIT ceapachán an Dr Fergal Barry mar Uachtarán. Tá PhD i gCeimic Fhisiceach ó Ollscoil Luimnigh agus MBA ó Choláistí Ollscoile Chorcaí ag an Dr Barry, a bhí ina Leas-Uachtarán ar Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh (LIT) roimhe seo. Chuaigh an Dr Barry i mbun dualgais i nDeireadh Fómhair ar chonradh cúig bliana. Tagann sé i gcomharbacht ar Michael Carmody a chuaigh ar scor níos lúaithe sa bhliain. Ina ról in LIT, bhí an Dr Barry freagrach as Taighde, Fiontraíocht agus Forbairt. "Táim ag tnúth le bheith ag obair leis an mBord Rialaithe, leis an bhfoireann, leis na neacha léinn agus le páirtithe leasmhara GMIT chun tógail ar a stair oideachasúil den scoth." Rinne Des Mahon Uas, Cathaoirleach Bhord Rialaithe GMIT, comhghairdeas leis an Dr Barry ar a cheapachán agus thairg gach cabhair agus tacaíocht dó agus é ag iarraidh GMIT a fhorbairt tuilleadh.



Dr Fergal Barry appointed new President of GMIT

The Governing Body of GMIT approved the appointment of Dr Fergal Barry as President. Dr Barry, formerly Vice President of Limerick Institute of Technology (LIT), holds a PhD in Physical Chemistry from University of Limerick and an Executive MBA from University College Cork. Dr Barry (41) took up duty in October on a five year contract. He succeeds Mr Michael Carmody who retired earlier in the year. In his role in LIT, Dr Barry had responsibility for Research, Enterprise and Development. "I look forward to working with the Governing Body, staff, students and stakeholders of GMIT and building on its excellent educational history." Mr Des Mahon, Chairman of GMIT Governing Body, congratulated Dr Barry on his appointment and offered him every help and support in achieving the further development of GMIT.

Faigheann an Chomhghuaillíocht Chonnacht-Uladh cead oibriú i dtreo bheith ina hOllscoil Teicneolaíochta

Thug an tAire Oideachais agus Scileanna, Jan O'Sullivan TD, faomhadh do Chomhghuaillíocht Chonnacht-Uladh (CCU) chun dul ar aghaidh go dtí an chéad chéim eile den phróiseas a bhaineann le hOllscoil Teicneolaíochta a chruthú d'iarthar/Iar-Thuaisceart na hÉireann. Rinne an tAire O'Sullivan comhghairdeas leis an gcuibhreannas ar an rath a bhain le Céim 1 den phróiseas a chur isteach le bheith ainmnithe mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta agus ghuigh gach rath ar CCU sa todhcháí ina cuid iarrachtaí sa phróiseas.

I Márt 2015, ag teacht le mian Bhoird Rialaithe na dtrí Institiúid, chuir CCU Léiriú foirmiúil Spéise faoi bráid an Údarás um Ard-Oideachas (ÚAO) le haghaidh breithnithe ag an Údarás. Bhí cinneadh an Aire bunaithe ar chomhairle bhord an ÚAO. Is é atá i gceist le Céim 2 den phróiseas ná plean a ullmhú chun na critéir a chomhlíonadh. Is é atá i gceist le Céim 3 ná measúnú ar an bplean sin ag painéal seachtrach agus is iarratas le bheith ina hOllscoil Teicneolaíochta atá i gCéim 4. Creideann CCO go mbeidh an Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta a bheidh bunaithe go réigiúnach agus ar ilchampais mar atá beartaithe ina hinstiúid láidir agus an cumas inti forbairt eacnamaíochta a spreagadh thar an réigiún is scaipthe go tireolaíoch sa tir.

Buaileann neacha léinn leis an Taoiseach & le hUachtarán GMIT

Chuir an Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD agus Uachtarán nua GMIT, an Dr Fergal Barry, fáilte chroíúil roimh neacha léinn céad bhliana chuití champas Mhaigh Eo i gCaisleán an Bharraigh le

Connacht-Ulster Alliance gets go-ahead to work towards becoming a Technological University

The Connacht-Ulster Alliance [CUA] was granted approval by the Minister for Education and Skills, Jan O'Sullivan TD, to proceed to the next stage of the process of building a Technological University for the West/North-West of Ireland. Minister O'Sullivan congratulated the consortium on its success in submitting Stage 1 of the process for Technological University designation and wished the CUA the best in its future endeavours in the process.

In March 2015, in accordance with the stated ambition of the Governing Bodies of the three Institutes, the CUA submitted a formal Expression of Interest to the Higher Education Authority (HEA) for consideration by the Authority. The Minister's decision was informed by the advice of the HEA board. Stage 2 of the process involves the preparation of a plan to meet the criteria. Stage 3 is an evaluation of this plan by an external panel and Stage 4 is the application to become a Technological University. The CUA believes that the proposed regionally-based multi-campus Technological University will be a strong institution with the capacity to stimulate economic growth across the most geographically dispersed region in the country.



Students meet Taoiseach & GMIT President

First year students in GMIT Mayo received a warm welcome to the Mayo campus in Castlebar from An Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD and GMIT's incoming President, Dr Fergal Barry, during a welcome-induction

linn imeacht ionduchtaithe ag túis téarma an choláiste. Labhair an Dr Barry and an tUasal Kenny le cruinniú na neach léinn in Halla Naomh Muire agus bhí léachtóirí, lucht foirne tacaíochta agus roinnt tuismitheoirí i láthair. Dúirt an Dr Barry go raibh cuma mhaith ar an todhchaí do dhaoine óga a oibríonn go crua agus a mbíonn aidhmeanna arda acu. "Tugann teilgín fostaíochta le haghaidh eacnamaíochtaí elasbhunaithe ar nós na hÉireann le tuiscint go mbeidh cáilíochtaí ardleibhéal nó céim ag 67% den líon lucht oibre sa todhchaí, rud a chiallaíonn go mbeidh deiseanna fostaíochta feabhsaithe go mór ag na neacha léinn i gceann cheithre bliana eile i ndiaidh céim a bhaint amach".

An tUasal Kenny agus an Dr Barry ag bualadh le neacha léinn tríu bliain agus le Leas-Uachtaráin Aontas na Neach Léinn Declan Murphy ó Moorehall, Caisleán an Bharraigh. Chuir Leas-Uachtaráin Aontas na Neach Léinn fáilte roimh an Acadamh Náisiúnta um Imeachtaí Amuigh faoin Spéir, á rá dó: "Tá Aontas na Neach Léinn i gcomhar lenár gcomhgleacaí Nigel Jennings, Oifigeach Spóirt GMIT, ag óstáil imeachtaí spóirt áitiúla agus náisiúnta ar an gcampas agus i dtimpeallacht Chaisleán an Bharraigh leis na blianta, amhail cadhcáil agus surfáil idir-ollscoileanna. Is cùis giondair dúinn an t-acadamh spóirt nua a bheith ar leic an dorais againn. Is infheistíocht é sa cheantar áitiúil agus bainfidh sé leas as buanna ár gcuid neach léinn."

Sa phictiúr (ar dheis) Tá an Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD agus é ag bualadh le hUachtaráin nua GMIT, an Dr Fergal Barry (ar chlé) in éineacht leis an neach léinn céad bhliana in Oideachas Allamuigh & Áineasa Saoirse Ni Bhroin as Cuinche, Co. an Chláir, an neach léinn céad bhliana Cuntasáiochta Marita Molloy as Béal an Átha, Co. Mhaigh Eo, agus an neach léinn céad bhliana in Oideachas Allamuigh & Áineasa Louise Kenneally as Cathair Chorcaí.

Bronnadh an Páipéar Acadúil is Fíorr ar GMIT agus RPS ag Comhdháil an Construction IT Alliance

Bronnadh an Páipéar Acadúil is Fíorr ar GMIT agus ar an nGrúpa RPS as "A collaborative Academia-Industry Approach to Programme-Wide Implementation of Building Information Modelling Processes using a Reciprocal Learning Framework" ag comhdháil dhébhliantúil an Construction IT Alliance i mBaile Átha Cliath.

Mar thoradh ar an gcomhoibriú acadúil/tionsclaíoch idir GMIT agus an Grúpa RPS tá forbairt ar an Ard-Dioplóma in Innealtóireacht atá thírithe ar an tionsclaíocht in BIM (Leibhéal Onóracha 8 ar an gCreat Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí).

Tugadh an tArd-Dioplóma in Innealtóireacht in BIM do bhaill foirne de chuid RPS ar bhonn píolótach ó 2013. Chuir sé sin ar chumas GMIT táistíl, breis forbartha agus measúnaithe a dhéanamh ar dhul chun cinn an chláir seo ar sheachadadh tionscadal mór infrastruchtúir agus

event at the start of the college term. Dr Barry and Mr Kenny addressed the gathering of new students in St Mary's Hall, which was also attended by lecturers, support staff and some parents. Dr Barry said that the future is looking very bright for young people who work hard and aim high. "Employment projections for advanced knowledge-based economies like Ireland indicate that 67% of those in the workforce of the future will have higher level qualifications or a degree, meaning students' chances of employment will have significantly improved in another four years' time upon graduation."

Mr Kenny and Dr Barry met three first year students and GMIT Students Union Vice-President Declan Murphy from Moorehall, Castlebar. The SU Vice-President welcomed GMIT's proposed involvement in the planned new National Outdoor Pursuits Academy, saying: "The Student Union together with our colleague Nigel Jennings, GMIT Sports Officer, have been hosting local and national sports events on campus and around Castlebar for many years such as the kayaking and surfing intervarsities. We're delighted to have this new sports academy on our doorstep. It's an investment in the local area and will also harness the talents of our students."

Picture (right) An Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD meeting GMIT's incoming President, Dr Fergal Barry (left) with first year Outdoor Education & Leisure student Saoirse Ni Bhroin from Quinn, Co Clare, first year Accounting student Marita Molloy from Ballina, Co Mayo, and Outdoor Education & Leisure student Louise Kenneally from Cork City

GMIT and RPS awarded Best Academic Paper at the Construction IT Alliance (CITA) Conference

GMIT and the RPS Group have been awarded Best Academic Paper for "A Collaborative Academia-Industry Approach to Programme-Wide Implementation of Building Information Modelling (BIM) Processes using a Reciprocal Learning Framework" at the Construction IT Alliance biennial conference in Dublin.

This academic/industry collaboration between GMIT and the RPS Group has resulted in the development of an industry orientated Higher Diploma in Engineering in BIM (Honours Level 8 on the National Framework of Qualifications). The Higher Diploma in Engineering in BIM has been delivered to RPS staff on a pilot basis since 2013. This has enabled GMIT to test, further develop and measure progress of this programme on the delivery of large infrastructure and building projects in the UK and Ireland while working in a collaborative BIM environment. This programme has resulted in RPS offering professional services on projects in the UK and Europe resulting in the award of major highways, water and gas projects.



foirgníochta sa RA agus in Éirinn le linn bheith ag obair i dtimpeallacht chomhoibritheach BIM. Tá mar thoradh ar an gclár seo RPS a bheith ag tairiscint seirbhísí gairmiúla ar thionscadail sa RA agus san Eoraip agus tá mórhionscadail mótarbhealaí, uisce agus gáis á mbronnadh dá bharr.

Is iad údair an pháipéir ná Mark Costello as RPS agus an Dr Mark Kelly, Jim O'Connor agus Gerard Nicholson as GMIT. Cuireadh an tionscnamh seo ar an ngearrliosta le haghaidh Cuideachta na Bliana um Fhorbairt Leanúnach Gairmiúil agus Dámhachtainí don tSármhaiteas 2014 de chuid Innealtóirí Éireann le haighneacht dar teideal "The RPS BIM Revolution". De bharr an tionscnaimh chomhoibrithigh seo tá RPS anois in a príomhfhostaí áitiúil ag céimithe GMIT as an Roinn Innealtóireachta Foirgníochta & Sibhialta.

Sa phictiúr tá Mark Costello Grúpa RPS, an Dr Mark Kelly, Jim O'Connor agus Gerard Nicholson as GMIT.

Bronnann GMIT Comholtachtaí Oinigh ar thriúr sárdhaoine: Rinneadh Donagh O'Donoghue, Matt Molloy agus Michael O'Neill a onórú ag na searmanais bronnta

Bhronn Uachtaráin GMIT, an Dr Fergal Barry, Comholtachtaí Oinigh ar thriúr sárdhaoine a thug cion dá gcuid pobal agus don fhorbairt réigiúnach san Iarthar: Donagh O'Donoghue, Cathair na Gaillimhe, Matt Molloy, Bealach a' Doirín, Co. Ros Comáin agus Cathair na Mart, Co. Mhaigh Eo, agus Michael O'Neill, Tulaigh, Rinn Mhaoile, ag na searmanais bronnta i nGaillimh agus Maigh Eo.

Rinneadh Donagh O'Donoghue, ball suntasach de phobal gnó na Gaillimhe ar feadh na mblianta, a onórú as ucht a chion suntasach don oideachas, gnó agus forbairt réigiúnach; rinneadh Michael O'Neill, Stiúrthóir bunaidh Chonamara Thiar, a onórú as ucht a thiomantas d'fheabhsú a phobail agus réigiúnach Iarthuaisceart Chonamara tríd an mbaint a bhí aige leis an oideachas agus cur chun cinn cultúr agus spóirt; agus rinneadh an ceoltóir atá molta go hidirnáisiúnta Matt Molloy a onórú as ucht a chion suntasach do cheol agus do chultúr na hÉireann.

Tá teist agus oidhreacht gan sárú ag Michael O'Neill, rúnaí agus ball bunaidh Chonamara Thiar, i ngníomhafocht pobail. Bhí sé ina Rúnaí i gComhairle Pobail Mhuintir na Tíre, ina Chathaoirleach ar Chónaídhm Chontae na Gaillimhe de na Comhairí Pobail, Stiúrthóir Bunaidh agus Cisteoir i gComhar Creidmheasa Chrois na Tulaí, Stiúrthóir Bunaidh agus Rúnaí i bhForbairt Chonamara Thiar, agus Stiúrthóir Ceardlanna Dearaidh Chill Chainnigh, chomh maith lena bheith tofa mar bhall de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe ó 1991 go dtí 1998.

Rugadh Matt Molloy i mBealach a' Doirín, Co. Ros Comáin isteach i dteaghlach ag a bhfuil traidisiún láidir sa cheol traidisiúnta. Cuireann sé síos ar conas a "shúigh sé isteach an ceol agus é ina leanbh". Sheinn a sheanathair agus uncail leis an fhlíúit agus mhúin athair Matt dó conas an fhlíúit a sheinm ó aois a hotha mbliana. Faoi aois 18, bhí Craobh Fliúite na hÉireann Uile buaite aige agus d'éirigh leis go minic sa bhFleá Náisiúnta Cheoil.

The authors of the paper are Mark Costello from RPS and Dr Mark Kelly, Jim O'Connor and Gerard Nicholson from GMIT. This initiative was shortlisted for the 2014 Engineers Ireland Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Company of the Year and Excellence Awards with a submission titled "The RPS BIM Revolution". Through this collaborative initiative RPS have become the leading local employer of GMIT graduates from the Building & Civil Engineering Department.

Pictured, Mark Costello RPS Group, Dr Mark Kelly, Jim O'Connor and Gerard Nicholson from GMIT.



GMIT presents Honorary Fellowships to three outstanding individuals: Donagh O'Donoghue, Matt Molloy and Michael O'Neill honoured at conferring ceremonies

GMIT has awarded Honorary Fellowships to three outstanding individuals for their contribution to their communities and to regional development in the west; Donagh O'Donoghue, Galway city, Matt Molloy, Ballaghaderreen, Co Roscommon and Westport, Co Mayo, and Michael O'Neill, Tully, Renvyle, were presented with their Honorary Fellowships by GMIT President Dr Fergal Barry at the GMIT Conferring Ceremonies in Galway and Mayo.

Donagh O'Donoghue, a prominent member of the Galway business community for many decades, was honoured for his significant contribution to education, business and regional development; Michael O'Neill, founding Director of Connemara West, was honoured for his dedication to the betterment of his community and the region of Northwest Connemara through his involvement in education and promotion of culture and sport; and internationally acclaimed musician Matt Molloy of The Chieftains, was honoured for his significant contribution to Irish music and culture.

Michael O'Neill, secretary and founding member of Connemara West, has an unparalleled record and legacy in community activism. He has held the position of Secretary of Muintir Tire Community Council, Chairman of the Galway County Federation of Community Councils, Founding Director and Treasurer of Tullycross Credit Union, Founding Director & Secretary of Connemara West Development, and Director of Kilkenny Design Workshops, as well as being an elected Member of Galway County Council from 1991 to 1998.

Matt Molloy was born in Ballaghaderreen, Co Roscommon into a family with a strong history of traditional music. He describes how he "soaked up music as a child". His father, grandfather and his uncle played the flute and Matt's father taught him to play the flute from the age of eight. By the age of 18, he had won the All-Ireland Flute Championship and had a string of successes in National Fleadh Cheoil.



Ar Chlé: An Dr Michael O'Neill (sa láir), le Dermot O'Donovan, GMIT Leitir Fraic (ar chlé) agus Uachtaráin GMIT an Dr Fergal Barry, ar bronnadh Gradam Comháltachta Oinigh air as a chion don oideachas, cultúr, spórt agus forbairt réigiúnach.

Ar dheis: An Dr Donagh O'Donoghue ar bronnadh Gradam Comháltachta Oinigh air as a chion don ghnó, oideachas agus forbairt réigiúnach (sa láir) le Rínaí agus Rialtóir GMIT, Jim Fennell agus Uachtaráin GMIT an Dr Fergal Barry.

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Ar barr: An Dr Matt Molloy, ball de na Chieftains ag an searmanas bronnta i gCampas GMIT Mhaigh Eo i gCaisleán an Bharraigh nuair a bronnadh Comháltacht Oinigh air.

An-éileamh i gcónaí ar chéimeanna STEM ag GMIT

Rinne GMIT beagnach 20% níos mó ofrálacha ag leibhéal na céime onóracha i mbliana (2015) i gcomparáid leis an mbliain seo caite, faoi mar a léirigh figiúirí POI. Agus iad ag teacht le treochtaí in 2014, bhí an-éileamh ar na cláir a bhaineann leis an Eolaíocht, chomh maith leis an Talmhaíocht, Innealtóireacht Mheicniúil, Ríomhaireacht agus cláir Eolaíochta Sláinte.

Tháinig méadú de 35 pointe ar an gcúrsa Baitsiléir i gCuntasáocht Ghnó i gcomparáid le 2014, rud a léiríonn méadú ar an éileamh ar chláir Ghnó. Thairg an Institiúid sraith nua sainchláir chéime i nGnó a ligeann do chéimithe gradaim a bhaint amach i bhFiontraíocht, Airgeadas & Eacnamaíocht, agus Margaíocht.

D'fhoinn freastal ar an éileamh ar chéimithe ríomhaireachta, ofráileann GMIT céim nua onóracha Leibhéal 8 anois i bhForbairt Bogearrai, a bhí á tairiscint ar 320 pointe. Comhlánaíonn an clár seo an chéim Leibhéal 7 i bhForbairt Bogearrai atá ann faoi láthair.

Ar na cláir nua in 2015 bhí céim onóracha in Ealaín Chomhaimseartha ar 300 pointe. Ceann de na gnéithe uathúla a bhaineann leis an gclár seo is ea nach gá do na hiarrthóirí filteán saothair a chur isteach mar riachtanas iontrála. I gcoitinne, léiríonn cláir Foirgníochta treocht



Left: Dr Michael O'Neill (centre), with Dermot O'Donovan, GMIT Letterfrack (left) and GMIT President Dr Fergal Barry, who received a GMIT Honorary Fellowship Award for his contribution to education, culture, sport and regional development. [Photo: David Ruffles. No fee]

Right: Dr Donagh O'Donoghue (centre) with GMIT Secretary and Financial Controller Jim Fennell and GMIT President Dr Fergal Barry, who received a GMIT Honorary Fellowship Award for his contribution to business, education and regional development. [Photo: David Ruffles. No fee]

Top: Dr Matt Molloy, a member of the Chieftains at the GMIT Mayo Campus Conferring ceremony in Castlebar where he received an Honorary Fellowship. [Photo: Keith Heneghan / Phocus. No fee].

STEM degrees still in high demand at GMIT

GMIT made up to 20% more offers at honours degree level this year (2015) compared to last, the CAO figures showed. Reflecting CAO trends in 2014, demand remained strong for Science related programmes, as well as Agriculture, Mechanical Engineering, Computing and Health Science programmes.

The Bachelor of Business in Accountancy course increased by 35 points compared to 2014, reflecting an overall increase in demand for Business programmes. The Institute offered a new suite of specialist degree programmes in Business that allow graduates obtain awards in Entrepreneurship, Finance & Economics, and Marketing.

To satisfy demand for computing graduates, GMIT now offers a new Level 8 honours degree in Software Development, which was on offer at 320 points. This programme complements the existing Level 7 Software Development degree.

Also new in 2015 was an Honours degree in Contemporary Art at 300 points. One of the unique features of this programme is applicants were not required to submit a portfolio as an entry requirement.

náisiúnta an élimh mhéadaithe, agus na pointí ag fanacht mar a bhí siad nó ardaithe de beagnach 60 pointe le haghaidh chúrsaí áirithe. Ag an Lárionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha agus na Meáin, bhí éileamh láidir ann i gcónaí ar an mBaitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i Scannán agus Clár Faisnéise, ar tháinig ardú de 30 pointe air go dtí 350.

Mar a dúirt Cláraitheoir GMIT Michael Hannon: “Ta tóir ar straitéis GMIT breis clár Leibhéal 8 a chur ar fáil i measc na neach léinn. Cé go bhfuil beartaithe againn leanacht de bhrefis céimeanna Leibhéal 8 a thairiscint chun freastal ar riachtanais an réigiúin, ba chóir do na hiarrthóirí a thuiscint go bhfuil réimse chuimsitheach céimeanna Leibhéal 7 á dtairiscint againn agus go ligean agus siad go léir do neacha léinn dul chun cinn go dtí dámhachtain Leibhéal 8”.

Plé ag an 6ú Comhdháil Idirnáisiúnta Foirgniochta de chuid GMIT dirithe ar an ngéarchéim tithíochta

Bhí an 6ú Comhdháil Idirnáisiúnta Bainistíochta Foirgniochta lae de chuid GMIT ar siúl Dé Máirt, 8 Márta 2016 in GMIT Gaillimh, an ócaid foirgniochta ba mhó iniarthar na hÉireann.

Chuir sí deis chruinnithe ar fáil don lucht gairmitíúil, conraitheoirí agus lucht acadúil chun bualadh le chéile agus cúrsaí a bhain leis an tionscal a phlé. Meallann an t-imeacht toscairí as Éirinn agus thar lear. Labhair cùig phríomhchainteoir déag as Éirinn agus an RA ar réimse gnóthaí teicniúla agus ginearálta. Dhírígh príomhghhné ar an ngéarchéim tithíochta atá ann ar cús cruatain í do chuid mhaith daoine, iniarthar na hÉireann agus go náisiúnta araoí.

Chuir Marian Finnegan, príomheacnamaí agus ceann taighde le Sherry Fitzgerald dearcaí difriúla ar an ngéarchéim i láthair. Rinne POF Ned Brennan as Respond! Cumann Tithíochta breithníú ar an ngéarchéim i dtéarmaí sóisialta agus riachtanais tithíochta inacmhainne, agus rianaigh Hubert Fitzpatrick, Stiúrthóir Tithíochta le Cónaídham. Tionscaill Tithíochta an ról is féidir leis an tionscal tithíochta a imirt sa ghéarchéim, agus é ag smaoineamh ar na baic agus ar na tiománaithe a bhíonn ag feidhmíú san earnáil. Dúirt cathaoirleach na comhdhála agus léachtóir de chuid GMIT Martin Taggart: “Ba léir le roinnt blianta go raibh géarchéim shuntasach tithíochta ag fás in Éirinn. Tá fuíollacmhainn shuntasach ag an tionscal foirgniochta chun freastal ar an éileamh ach faoi láthair ní mheallann tógáil tithe an tionscal ar chúiseanna áirithe praiticiúla agus eacnamaíochta i mórán áiteanna.”

Sa phictiúr thuas: Ceann Roinn na hInnealtóireachta Foirgniochta & Sibhialta GMIT Mary Rogers agus Cathaoirleach na Comhdhála & Léachtóir Martin Taggart.

In general, Construction programmes reflect the national trend of increased demand, with points either remaining the same or increasing by up to 60 points for some course offerings. At the Centre for Creative Arts and Media, strong demand continued for the popular Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Film and Documentary, increasing by 30 points to 350.

GMIT Registrar Michael Hannon said “The Institute’s strategy of providing additional Level 8 programmes is proving popular with students. While we plan to continue to offer more Level 8 degrees to meet the growing needs of the region, applicants should also be aware that we offer a comprehensive range of Level 7 degrees, all of which allow progression to a Level 8 award.”



Housing crisis focus of discussion at GMIT's 6th annual International Construction Conference

The 6th Annual GMIT International Construction Management Day Conference took place on Tuesday, 8 March, 2016, in GMIT Galway, the largest construction event in the west of Ireland. It provided a meeting place for professionals, contractors and academics to meet and discuss matters of concern to the industry. The event draws delegates from Ireland and abroad.

Fifteen leading industry speakers from across Ireland and the UK spoke on a range of technical and general matters. A key element focused on the prevailing housing crisis that is causing hardship to many people, both in the west of Ireland and nationally.

Different perspectives on the crisis were provided by Marian Finnegan, chief economist and head of research at Sherry Fitzgerald. CEO Ned Brennan from Respond! Housing Association reviewed the crisis in terms of social and affordable housing needs, whilst Hubert Fitzpatrick, Director of Housing at the Construction Industry Federation, outlined the role the construction industry can play in solving the crisis, considering the barriers and drivers at play in the sector.

Conference chair and GMIT lecturer Martin Taggart, says: “It has been clear for a number of years that a significant housing crisis has been growing in Ireland. The construction industry has significant spare capacity to meet the demand but, currently, house building is not an attractive proposition to the industry for a number of practical and economic reasons in many locations.”

Picture above: GMIT Head of Dept of Building & Civil Engineering Mary Rogers and Conference Chair & lecturer Martin Taggart.

Rinneadh Mná GMIT san Eolaíocht a onórú ag imeacht in Áras an Uachtaráin

Rinne léachtóirí Eolaíochta GMIT agus taighdeoirí freasal ar cheiliúradh "Mná san Eolaíocht" arna óístáil ag Uachtaran na hÉireann, Micheál D Ó Huiginn, agus Sabina Higgins Uas. in Áras an Uachtaráin.

Ag labhairt dó ag an bhfáiltiú, dúirt an tUachtarán Ó hUiginn: "I láthair inniu tá mná a bhain barr feabhas amach, a thug treoir san eolaíocht agus ina feidhmiú ar mhaithleis an gcine daonna. Tá macalla scéal Naomh Bríd le sonrú, ar bhealaí, le cuid agaibh atá anseo inniu. Tá deireadh curtha le cuid mhaith de na constaíci a sheas idir mná agus slí bheatha san eolaíocht le blianta anuas. Forbairt é sin a bhfuil fáilte roimpi, ach i réimse na heolaíochta – nó roinnt réimsí eolaíochta ar a laghad – tá constaíci ar an dul chun cinn. Ach tá athrú ag teacht ar an scéal sin agus is é sin an fáth a bhfuil muid anseo inniu: chun na hurfhuascailtíte atá déanta agus an ról ceannródaíoch atá á imirt ag mná anois i dtáighde eolaíochta agus tionsclafocht a cheiliúradh. Agus é sin á dhéanamh agaínn tá geallúint á tabhairt agaínn go ndéanfaimid gach dícheall a chinntí go ndéanfar níos mó fiú amháin d'fhonn breis rochtana agus ranpnpháirtíocha a chumasú ag mná ag gach leibhéal den eolaíocht.

Is luachmhaire cion na mban fiú amháin agus muid ag saothrú chun an eolaíocht a shuíomh laistigh de pharaidímní na hinbhuanaitheachta. Déantar é sin a threisiú dúinn ag ceisteanna amhail athrú aeráide, ocras domhanda agus díghrádú comhshaoil. Is sa réimse feidhmeach den eolaíocht a fheictear leibhéal dhíomácha agus dhoghlaetha ranpnpháirtíocha ag mná.

Lean an tUasal Ó hUiginn leis: "Is disciplín tábhachtach í an eolaíocht a imríonn tionchar – a bhfuil ról maighdeogach le himirt aige i gngáithí móra an chine dhaonna lenár linn, agus ceann a bhfuil an cumas ann an cion is mó a dhéanamh chun an domhan s'againe a fheabhsú. Is é sin an fáth go gcaithfimid fiafraí dínn féin i gcónaí cén fáth a bhfuil a laghad sin ban san eolaíocht agus cén fáth a gceilear ar an tsochaí an cion intleachtach an oiread sin díobh a d'fhéadfadh a bheith le feiceáil i saol na heolaíochta, lón ach nach bhfuil ann?"

Ba iad Mná GMIT san Eolaíocht a bhí i láthair ag an ócáid: Ala El Helali, taighdeoir i Lárionad GMIT GMedTech Dáire Ní Chatháin, neach léinn den chéad bliain sa chlár Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onórácha) i bhForbairt Bogearraí An Dr Jean Hughes, léachtóir i gCeimic Annette Cosgrove, léachtóir in Eolaíocht Ríomhaires An Dr Heather Lally, léachtóir i mBitheolaíocht Fhionnuisce agus Muirí



GMIT Women in Science honoured at Áras an Uachtaráin event

GMIT Science lecturers and researchers attended a "Women in Science" celebration hosted by the President of Ireland, Michael D Higgins, and Mrs Sabina Higgins in Áras an Uachtaráin.

Speaking at the reception, President Higgins said: "Present today are women who have excelled, given a lead in science and in its application for the betterment of humanity. St Brigid's is a story that resounds, in ways, with some of you here today. Many of the obstacles that once stood between women and the pursuit of a career in science have been removed in recent decades. That is a welcome development, but the field of science – or at least in some areas of science – barriers remain to advancement. However, that situation is changing and that is why we are here today: to celebrate the breakthroughs that have been made, and the leading role that women are now playing in scientific research and in industry. As we do so we are committing to make every effort to ensure that even more must be done to enable even greater access and participation by women at all levels of science.

The contribution of women in science is all the more valuable as we work to locate science within a paradigm of sustainability. That is emphasised in the challenges set to us by issues such as climate change, global hunger and environmental degradation. It is in the applied area of science that we see disappointing and unacceptable levels of female participation.

Mr Higgins added: "Science is an important and influential discipline – one which has a pivotal role to play in the great concerns of humanity in our time, and one which has the potential to make the greatest contribution to improving our world. That is why we must keep asking ourselves why are there so few women in science and why is society being denied the intellectual contribution of so many who could be, but are not, represented in the world of science?"

The GMIT Women in Science who attended the event are:

- Ala El Helali, researcher in GMIT's GMedTech Centre
- Dáire Ni Chatháin, first year student on the Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Software Development degree programme
- Dr Jean Hughes, lecturer in Chemistry
- Annette Cosgrove, lecturer in Computer Science
- Dr Heather Lally, lecturer in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology
- Dr Deirdre Brophy, researcher and lecturer in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology.

An Dr Deirdre Brophy, taighdeoir agus léachtóir i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Phionnusce agus Muirí.

Sa phictíúr in éineacht leis an Uachtaráin agus Bean Úi Uiginn tá C go D: Ala El Helali, taighdeoir i Láirionad GMIT GMedTech, Dáire Ní Chatháin, neach léinn den chéad bhliain sa chlár Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhForbairt Bogearraí, An Dr Jean Hughes, léachtóir le Ceimic, Annette Cosgrove, léachtóir in Eolaíochta Ríomhaire, An Dr Heather Lally, léachtóir i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Phionnusce agus Muirí, An Dr Deirdre Brophy, taighdeoir agus léachtóir i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Phionnusce agus Muirí.

Cúrsa nua Springboard i bhFiontar Cruthaitheach

Ghlac GMIT le hiarratais ar chúrsa nua i bhFiontar Cruthaitheach a bhí lánmhaoiithe tríd an gclár Rialtais Springboard. Bhí mar sprioc ag an gclár fionntraithe ionchasacha a dhéanamh inniuil leis an eolas, scileanna agus deis chun a gcuid smaointe le haghaidh táirge chruthaithigh nó seirbhísé a fhorbairt agus a tháistíil. Chuir sé raon scileanna fiontair ar fáil ar a n-áirítear bainistíocht tionscadail, margaocht agus na scileanna meán digiteach is gá le haghaidh gnó chruthaithigh nua-aimseartha. Tá forbairt pleán iomlán gnó le haghaidh fiontair chruthaithigh ina príomhghné den chlár.

D'oibrigh na rannpháirtithe i gcomhar sa 'Mol Cruthaitheach' atá bunaithe sa Láirionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha agus na Meáin (CCAM). Bhí an cursa ar siúl ó Dheireadh Fómhair 2015 go dtí Bealtaine 2016. Tar éis é a chur i gcrích go rathúil, d'fhéadfadh na rannpháirtithe cur isteach ar Chónaitheacht Samhraidh GMIT chun leanacht den obair ag an Mol Cruthaitheach in CCAM go dtí deireadh Lúnasa 2016.

Míníonn an Dr Paddy Tobin, Ceann an Láirionaid, go bhfuil cur i bhfeidhm na foghlama go praiticiúil leabaithe sa chlár le déshláin tionscadail ón bhfiorshaol agus comhtháthú tionscail agus aoichtainteoiri cleachtóra agus rannpháirtithe isteach sa chlár. Cinníonn rannpháirtíocht i dtionscadail foirne gur cuireadh eolas malartach, tacair sainscileanna agus peirsípticíochtaí faoi bhráid na rannpháirtithe. Ba é an Láirionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha agus na Meáin a rinne an clár a sheachadadh go príomha. Forbraíodh an clár i gcomhairle le 'Design Network West', a bhíonn gafa freisin i meantóireacht agus comhairle le haghaidh na rannpháirtithe ar an gcúrsa. (www.designnetworkwest.ie)

Pictured with the President and Mrs Higgins, L to R: Ala El Helali, researcher in GMIT's GMedTech Centre, Dáire Ni Chatháin, first year student on the Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Software Development degree programme, Dr Jean Hughes, lecturer in Chemistry, Annette Cosgrove, lecturer in Computer Science, Dr Heather Lally, lecturer in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology, and Dr Deirdre Brophy, researcher and lecturer in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology.

New Springboard course in Creative Enterprise

GMIT accepted applications for a new course in Creative Enterprise which was fully funded through the national Government funded Springboard programme. The course aimed to equip aspiring creative entrepreneurs with the knowledge, skills and opportunity to develop and test their ideas for a new creative product or service. It provided a range of new venture skills including project management, marketing and digital media skills required for a modern creative business. A major feature of the programme is development of a full business plan for a creative enterprise.

The participants also worked collaboratively in the 'Creative Hub' based at the Centre for Creative Arts and Media (CCAM). The course ran from October 2015 to May 2016. After successful completion, participants could apply for the GMIT Summer Residency to continue to work at the Creative Hub in CCAM until the end of August 2016.

Dr. Paddy Tobin, Head of Centre, explains that the practical application of learning is embedded in the programme with real-life project challenges and the integration of industry and practitioner guest speakers and contributors into the programme. Participation in team projects ensure participants were exposed to alternative knowledge, skills sets and perspectives. Delivery of the programme was led by the Centre for Creative Arts and Media. The programme was developed in consultation with 'Design Network West', who are involved in mentoring and advice for course participants. (www.designnetworkwest.ie)

Foghlaim agus Teagasc 3.1

Gradaim bronnta ar bheagnach 2,000 neach léinn de chuid GMIT

Bronnadh céimeanna ar bheagnach 2,000 neach léinn ag Bronnta bliantúla GMIT i nGaillimh agus Maigh Eo i mí na Samhna, agus cuireadh críoch leo le bronnta i gcampas Mhaigh Eo ar an Aoine, 27 Samhain, sa Royal Theatre Hotel, Caisleán an Bharraigh.

Bhí an chéad searmanas bronnta ar siúl ag campas GMIT Leitir Fraic, Conamara, ar an Aoine, 13 Samhain, nuair a bronnadh dámhachtainí céime ar 83 neach léinn na bliana deiridh i nDearadh Troscáin, Teicneolaíocht agus Déantúsaíocht. Bronnadh dámhachtainí ar beagán níos lú ná 1,600 neach léinn as an dá champus i nGaillimh sa Radisson Blu Hotel, Cathair na Gaillimhe, ar an Déardaoine agus Aoine, 19 agus 20 Samhain. Cuimsíonn na dámhachtainí sin Gnó, Ealaíona Cruthaitheacha & Meáin, Innealtóireacht, Daonnachtaí, Teangacha Feidhmeacha & Cumarsáid, Turasóireacht agus Ealaíona agus Eolaíocht.

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Bronnadh dámhachtainí ar 318 neach léinn as campas Mhaigh Eo ar an Aoine, 27 Samhain, sa Royal Theatre Hotel, Caisleán an Bharraigh, Co. Mhaigh Eo. Baineann na dámhachtainí sin leis na disciplíní Gnó, Daonnachtaí, Teicneolaíocht, Altranás, Cúram Sóisialta agus Oideachas Allamuigh.

Agus comhghairdeas á dhéanamh aige le Rang Céimithe 2015, chuir Uachtaráin GMIT, an Dr Fergal Barry, ceist amháin dheiridh ar na céimithe, agus é ag fiafraí díobh ar chreid siad go raibh sé in am don Bhanc Domhanda, Banc Infheistíochta na hEorpa nó NDFA tacáiocht airgeadais aguscreat iasachtaíochta a thabhairt d'Earnáil Ardoideachas na Teicneolaíochta agus earnáil na nInstitiúidi Teicneolaíochta, agus luaih sé forbairt na gColáistí Teicneolaíochta Réigiúnacha sna luath-1970aidí mar chás-staidéar agus conas mar a thug an cur chuige sin beagnach 50 bliain ó shin cion suntasach d'fhorbairt shoch-eacnamaíoch na hÉireann.

Pictiúr: Céimithe de chuid GMIT Mhaigh Eo ag ceiliúradh a mbronnta.

Tugann an spásaire Iodáileach Paulo Nespoli a bhfuil cáil dhomhanda air caint phoiblí in GMIT do 500 dalta scoile.

Thug an spásaire Paulo Nespoli ESA a bhfuil cáil dhomhanda air cuairt ar GMIT Dé Céadaoin, 11 Samhain, chun caint a thabhairt do 500 dalta meánscoile mar chuid den 18ú Féile Eolaíocha agus Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe. Thug Oifig

Learning and Teaching 3.1



Almost 2,000 GMIT students conferred with awards

Almost 2,000 GMIT students were conferred with awards at the annual GMIT Conferrings in Galway and Mayo this month (November), concluding with the Mayo campus conferrings on Friday, 27 November, in the Royal Theatre Hotel, Castlebar.

The first conferring ceremony took place at the GMIT Letterfrack campus, Connemara, on Friday, 13 November, when 83 final-year students were conferred with degree awards in Furniture Design, Technology, and Manufacture. Just under 1,600 students from the two Galway city campuses were conferred with awards in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Galway city, on Thursday and Friday, 19 and 20 November. These awards cover disciplines in Business, Creative Arts & Media, Engineering, Humanities, Applied Languages & Communications, Tourism and Arts, and Science.

318 students of the Mayo campus were conferred with awards on Friday, 27 November, in the Royal Theatre, Castlebar, Co Mayo. These awards are in disciplines such as Business, Humanities, Technology, Nursing, Social Care and Outdoor Education.

On congratulating the Graduating Class of 2015, the President of GMIT, Dr Fergal Barry, set the graduates one final question, asking them if they believed it was time for World Bank, European Investment Bank or NDFA financial support and a borrowing framework for the Technological Higher Education Sector and Institutes of Technology sector, sighting the development of the RTCs in the early 1970s as the case study and how that approach almost 50 years ago has made a significant contribution to the socio-economic development of Ireland.

Picture: GMIT Mayo graduates celebrating their conferring



World famous Italian astronaut Paolo Nespoli gives a public talk in GMIT to 500 school children

World famous ESA astronaut Paolo Nespoli visited GMIT on Wednesday, 11 November, to deliver a talk to 500 secondary school students as part of the 18th Galway Science and Technology Festival. Mr Nespoli's visit to Galway was supported by The European Space Education Resource Office (ESERO) in Ireland which is based in Science Foundation Ireland.

Acmhainne um Oideachas Spáis na hEorpa in Éirinn atá bunaithe i bhFondúireacht Eolaíochta na hÉireann tacáocht do chuairt an Uasail Nespoli ar Ghaillimh. Beidh aghaidh á tabhairt ag an spásaire Iodáileach ASI ar an spás den tríu huair i mBealtaine 2017 mar chuid de Expeditions 52 agus 53 ar an Stáisiún Idirnáisiúnta Spáis.

Seolfar é ar fheithicil Soyuz ar mhisean cúig mhí mar chuid de chomhaontú babhtála idir NASA agus gníomhaireacht spás ASI na hIodáile a bhfuil spásairí ESA bainteach léi. Beidh sé sin ar an tríu heitilt fadtréimhse de chuid ASI, i ndiaidh Volare le Luca Parmitano in 2013 agus Futura le Samantha Cristoforetti i mbliana.

Ba í céad spáseitilt Paolo ná a mhisean coicise Esperia ar an Spástoínteáil STS-120 in 2007, an dara heitilt ghearrthréimhse de chuid ASI faoin gcomhaontú babhtála. Ceann de na príomhthascanna a bhí aige ná cuidiú chun an modúl Node-2 a shuiteáil sa Spás-stáisiún. Anuas ar chuid mhaith turgnamh, bhí baint aige le nascaí dhá shoiteach lastais: an dara Feithicil Aistrithe Uathoibrithe de chuid na hEorpa agus an dara Feithicil Aistrithe HII de chuid na Seapáine.

D'inis an tUasal Nespoli faoina eispéaraí uathúla sa spás lasmuigh do 500 dalta meánsoile chomh maith le neacha léinn agus baill foirne an tseachtaí dár gcionn. Bhí fáilte roimh an bpobal freisin.

Pictiúr: Spásaire ESA Paolo Nespoli, a thabharfaidh caint phoiblí in GMIT ar 11 Samhain.

Ceapadh an tOllamh Graham Heaslip ina Cheann ar Scoil Ghnó GMIT

Is cúis áthais do GMIT ceapachán an Ollaimh Graham Heaslip a fhógairt mar Cheann Scoil Ghnó GMIT, ag tosú i bhFeabhra (2016). Tá an tOllamh Heaslip ag teacht go dtí GMIT as Ollscoil New South Wales na hAstráile, áit a raibh post aige mar Ollamh Comhlach Lóistíochta. Roimhe sin bhí sé ina Leas-Cheann ar an Scoil Ghnó in Ollscoil Mhánuad. Sula ndeacaigh sé leis an acadúlacht, chaith Graham ceithre bliana déag ag obair leis na fórsaí cosanta sa bhaile agus i gcéin ar cheapacháin éagsúla lóistíochta agus chaith sé tamall ar iasacht le gníomhaireachtaí daonnacha i mbun lóistíochta.

Is comhalta den Institiúid Chairte Lóistíochta agus Iompair (FLILT) é Graham agus Ball Caire d'Innealtóirí Éireann (C.Eng). Tá doctúireacht aige i mBainistíocht Slabhra Soláthair ó Ollscoil Hull, céim M.Eng.Sc o Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Gaillimh, Dioplóma P.G. in Ardoideachas ó Ollscoil Mhánuad, Dioplóma P.G. in Oiliúint Taighde ó Ollscoil Hull agus B.E. ó Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Gaillimh.

Bhronn Institiúid Chairte Lóistíochta agus Iompair (CILT) ar Graham agus Ball Caire d'Innealtóirí Éireann (C.Eng) James Cooper ar Graham as an PhD ab fhéarr. Fuair a chuid taighde aitheantas ó Phondúireacht Bainistíocha agus Forbartha na hEorpa (EFMD) áit a bhfuair sé rangú a fuair ardmholadh.

The Italian ASI astronaut will be heading for space a third time in May 2017 as part of Expeditions 52 and 53 to the International Space Station.

He will be launched on a Soyuz vehicle on a five-month mission as part of a barter agreement between NASA and Italy's ASI space agency involving ESA astronauts. It will be ASI's third long-duration flight, following Luca Parmitano's Volare in 2013 and Samantha Cristoforetti's Futura this year.

Paolo's first spaceflight was his two-week Esperia mission on the Space Shuttle's STS-120 in 2007, ASI's second short-duration flight under the barter agreement. One of his main tasks was to help install the Node-2 module on the Space Station. He returned to the Station in 2010 for ESA's 160-day MagIStra mission as part of Expeditions 26 and 27. In addition to his many experiments, he was involved in the dockings of two cargo craft: Europe's second Automated Transfer Vehicle and Japan's second HII Transfer Vehicle.

Mr Nespoli shared his unique experiences in outer space with some 500 secondary school pupils as well as GMIT students and staff next week. Members of the public are also welcome to attend.

Picture: ESA Astronaut Paolo Nespoli, who will deliver a public talk in GMIT on 11 November



Prof Graham Heaslip appointed Head of GMIT School of Business

GMIT is pleased to announce the appointment of Professor Graham Heaslip as Head of the GMIT School of Business, commencing February (2016). Prof. Heaslip comes to GMIT from the University of New South Wales, Australia, where he held the post of Associate Professor of Logistics. He was formerly Deputy Head of the School of Business in Maynooth University.

Prior to entering academia, Graham spent fourteen years working in the Irish Defence Forces both at home and abroad in a variety of logistical appointments, as well as spending time seconded to Humanitarian agencies in a logistical capacity.

Graham is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (FCILT) and a Chartered Member of Engineers Ireland (C. Eng). He has a doctorate in Supply Chain Management from the University of Hull, an M.Eng. Sc. degree from the National University of Ireland, Galway, a P.G. Diploma in Higher Education from Maynooth University, a P.G. Dip. in Research Training from the University of Hull and a B.E. from the National University of Ireland, Galway.

Baineann sainspéisíanna taighde Graham leis na trasnuithe idir an lóistíocht dhomhanda/bainistíocht slabhra soláthair, lóistíocht dhaonnúlach agus forbairt bainistíochta eagraíochtúla. Tugann a theagasc taighdebhunaithe téamanna a bhaineann le teoiric chórás casta, an nuálaíocht, athléimneacht agus riosca le disciplíni praiticiúla bainistíochta amhail bainistíochta slabhra soláthair, bainistíochta oibríochtaí, agus leanúnachas gnó.

Tá foilsithe aige go forleathan in irisí éagsúla bainistíochta, lóistíocha agus oideachais agus comhdhálacha idirnáisiúnta le blianta beaga anuas. Trasnáonn a shainspéisíanna taighde agus comhairleoireachta comhthéacsanna príomhshrutha tráchtála, cosanta agus comhthéacsanna seirbhísé poiblí eile ag scrúdú bainistíochta slabhra soláthair agus saincheisteanna bainistíochta oibríochtaí a imríonn tionchar ar éifeachtacht eagraíochtúil nó cleachtas nuálacha.

Pictiúr: An tOllamh Graham Heaslip, Ceann nua na Scoile Gnó ag GMIT.

Ceann nua don Roinn Altranais, Eolaíochtaí Sláinte & Cúraim Shóisialta Ceaptha ag GMIT

Cheap GMIT Justin Kerr Uas. mar Cheann nua don Roinn Altranais, Eolaíochtaí Sláinte & Cúraim Shóisialta ag campas GMIT Mhaigh Eo. Bhain an tUasal Kerr taithí leathan amach i gcleachtas altranais in Éirinn, sa RA agus san Astráil agus bhí postanna bainistíochta aige in altranais, bainistíochta riosca agus bainistíochta ginearálta. Is altra Ginearálta Cláraithe é agus faoi láthair is ball d'fhoireann cigireachta suímh é do Bhord Altranais agus Cnáimhseachais na hÉireann.
Díreach sula ndeachaigh sé le GMIT, bhí sé ag obair mar Stiúrthóir Cúnta Altranais in Ospidéal Ginearálta Mhaigh Eo áit a raibh freagracht air as comhshaol foghlama cliniciúla na neach léinn fochéime onóracha in altranais in Ospidéal Ginearálta Mhaigh Eo, Ospidéal Bhéal an Átha agus Béal Átha na Muice, Ospidéal Ros Comáin, Ospidéal Bons Secours i nGaillimh agus Clinic na Gaillimhe. Ar a chuid freagrachtaí bhí tacú le haltráí cláraithe agus iad i mbun forbartha gairmiúla agus caighdeán chleachtas altranais.

Bhí baint aige le, agus threoraidh sé, an-chuid tionscnamh náisiúnta agus réigiúnach laistigh d'Fheidhmeannas na Seirbhise Sláinte (HSE). Bhí sé ina Chomh-Chomhordaitheoir Réigiúnach le haghaidh Ghéar-Sheirbhísí Ospidéil do HSE an Iarthair agus freagrach as forbairt a chomhordú seirbhísí géarchúraim ar feadh chósta an iarthair. Threoraidh sé tionscnamh chun an Lónra Galra Siomptómach Broillaigh idir Ospidéal Ginearálta Leitir Ceanainn agus Ospidéal Ollscoile na Gaillimhe a bhunú.

Pictiúr: Justin Kerr, Ceann na Roinne Altranais, Eolaíochtaí Sláinte & Cúraim Shóisialta.

Graham was awarded the James Cooper Memorial Cup for best Ph.D. by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT). His research has also been recognised by the European Foundation for Management Development (EFMD) where it received a highly commended ranking.

Graham's research interests are broadly in the intersections between global logistics / supply chain management, humanitarian logistics and organisational management development. His research-based teaching brings together themes of complex systems theory, innovation, resilience and risk with practical management disciplines such as supply chain management, operations management, and business continuity.

He is widely published in various management, logistics and educational journals and international conferences over the past few years. His research and consultancy interests span mainstream commercial, defence and other public service contexts examining supply chain management, and operations management issues which impact on organisational effectiveness or innovative practices.

Picture: Professor Graham Heaslip, the new Head of School of Business at GMIT.



GMIT appoints new Head of Nursing, Health Sciences & Social Care Dept

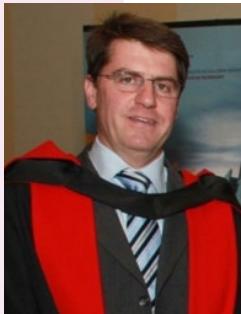
GMIT appointed Mr Justin Kerr as Head of the Nursing, Health Sciences and Social Care Department at the GMIT Mayo campus. Mr Kerr has extensive experience in nursing practice in Ireland, the UK and Australia and has held management positions in nursing, risk management and general management. He is a Registered General Nurse and is currently a member of the undergraduate site inspection team for the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland.

Immediately prior to joining GMIT he worked as Assistant Director of Nursing in Mayo General Hospital where he had responsibility for the clinical learning environment of undergraduate honours degree nursing students in Mayo General Hospital, Ballina and Swinford District Hospitals, Roscommon Hospital, the Bons Secours Hospital in Galway and the Galway Clinic. His responsibilities included supporting registered nurses in ongoing professional development and nursing practice standards.

He has been involved in, and led on, numerous national and regional initiatives within the Health Service Executive (HSE). He was Regional Co-ordinator for Acute Hospital Services for HSE west with responsibility for coordinating the development of acute care services along the western sea board. He led a project to establish the Symptomatic Breast Disease Network between Letterkenny General Hospital and University Hospital Galway. Picture: Justin Kerr, Head of Nursing, Health Sciences & Social Care Dept.

An Dr Rick Officer ceaptha ina Leas-Uachtarán don Taighde agus Nuálaíocht

Ceapadh an Dr Rick Officer ina Leas-Uachtarán don Taighde agus Nuálaíocht. Chuaigh an Dr Officer, a chuir túis lena phost nua in Eanáir, le GMIT in 2008 mar Léachtóir Sinsearach i Scoil na hEolaíochta agus rinneadh ceannaire é ar an Láirionad Taighde Muirí agus Fionnúisce de chuid GMIT ag campas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath (Gaillimh).



Dúirt an Dr Fergal Barry, Uachtarán GMIT: "Cuirim fáilte roimh cheapachán an Dr Officer mar Leas-Uachtarán don Taighde agus Nuálaíocht. Leanfaidh an cheapachán seo de bheith ag tógáil ar theist láidir GMIT i dtaihghe feidhmeach a bhaineann go lárnach le pleananna GMIT forbairt ina hOllscoil Teicneolaíochta. Táim cinnte go gcuirfidh an Dr Officer le fás na ndeiseanna taighde iarchéime dár gcuid neach léinn agus go dtabharfaidh sé cion suntasach do chlár taighde feidhmeach agus nuálaíochta GMIT, clár atá lárnach chun tacú le gníomhaiocht maidir le postanna a chruthú ar fud larthar na hÉireann."

Sula ndeachaigh sé le GMIT, ba Cheannaire Eolaíochta é ar Thaighde ar Iascaireachtaí agus Uisceachaothrú de chuid Rialtas Queensland, agus é freagrach as bainistíocht comhordaithe Chlár um Leathnú, Forbairt agus Taighde an Stáit; ba cheannaire freisin é ar fhoirne taighde agus measúnaithe le haghaidh Institiúid Mhuirí na hÉireann agus gníomhaireachtaí rialtais na hAstráile sa Tasmáin agus in Victoria.

Bhí taighde an Dr Officer dírithe ar inbhuanaitheacht a chumasú agus ar tháirgíúlacht acmhainní nádúrtha sábháilte a fheabhsú. Tá taithí leathan aige mar Chomhordaitheoir, Príomh-Imscrúdaitheoir ar thionscadail agus chlár taighde náisiúnta agus idirmáisiúnta atá maoinithe go hiomaíoch.

Pictiúr: An Dr Rick Officer.

Beirt Cheann Roinne i nGnó agus Eolaíocht Ceaptha ag GMIT

Tá an Dr Lisa Ryan ceaptha ag GMIT don phost nua mar Cheann na Roinne Eolaíochtaí Nádúrtha agus tá Éamon Walsh ceaptha don phost mar Cheann na Roinne Cuntasáiochta agus Córas Faisnéise ag campas na Gaillimhe GMIT (Bóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath).



Pictiúr: Éamon Walsh Ceann na Roinne Cuntasáiochta agus Córas Faisnéise, Scoil Ghnó GMIT.

Tá an Dr Ryan ag dul i mbun poist úrnua mar cheann na roinne nua laistigh den Scoil Eolaíochta agus Ríomhaireachta. Bunaíodh an roinn nua chun freastal ar an lín neach léinn Eolaíochta, atá ag dul i líonmhaire, in GMIT: tagann an tUasal Walsh i gcomharbacht ar Carmel Brennan, iar-Cheann na Roinne atá laistigh den Scoil Ghnó.

Dr Rick Officer appointed Vice President for Research and Innovation

Dr Rick Officer has been appointed to the post of Vice President for Research and Innovation. Dr Officer, who commenced his new position this month (January), joined GMIT in 2008 as a Senior Lecturer in the School of Science and became leader of the GMIT Marine and Freshwater Research Centre at the Dublin Road (Galway) campus.

Dr Fergal Barry, President of GMIT, says: "I welcome the appointment of Dr Officer as Vice President for Research and Innovation. This appointment will continue to build on GMIT's strong applied research track record which is central to GMIT plans to develop into a Technological University. I am confident that Dr Officer will grow the postgraduate research opportunities for our students and that he will make significant contributions to the applied research and innovation agenda of GMIT, an agenda which is central to support action on job creation across the West of Ireland." Prior to joining GMIT, Dr Officer was Science Leader for the Queensland Government's Fisheries and Aquaculture Research, with responsibility for the co-ordinated management of the State's Research, Development and Extension Programme; he was also leader of research and assessment teams for Ireland's Marine Institute and Australian government agencies in Tasmania and Victoria.

Dr Officer's research has focussed on enabling sustainability and improving productivity of harvested natural resources. He has extensive experience as Co-ordinator, Principal Investigator and Co-investigator on competitively funded national and international research projects and programmes. Picture: Dr Rick Officer.

GMIT appoints two new Heads of Dept in Business and Science

GMIT has appointed Dr Lisa Ryan to the new post of Head of Department of Natural Sciences and Eamon Walsh to the post of Head of Department of Accounting and Information Systems at GMIT's Galway (Dublin Road) campus.

Picture: Eamon Walsh, Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems, GMIT School of Business.

Dr Ryan takes on the brand new post as head of the new department within the School of Science and Computing. The new department was established to cater for the growing numbers of Science students in GMIT; Mr Walsh succeeds Carmel Brennan, former Head of the existing Department within the School of Business. Ms Brennan has been appointed GMIT Retention Officer.

Eamon Walsh was formerly a lecturer in Software Development

Tá an tUasal Brennan ceaptha ina hOifigeach Coinneála.

Roimhe seo bhí Éamon Walsh ina léachtóir le Forbairt Bogearraí sa Roinn Eolaíochta Ríomhaire agus Fisice Feidhmi. Ar na sainréimsi teagaisc atá aige tá Teicneolaíochtaí Gréasáin, Néal-Ríomhaireacht agus Ailtireacht Ríomhaire. Tá breis is 20 bliain taithí tionsclaíochta ag Éamon, agus é ag obair do chuideactaí ilnáisiúnacha in Éirinn agus thar lear agus Fiontair Mheánacha agus Bheaga ar a n-áirítear a ghnó féin a riadarh ar feadh deich mbliana; in 2009 ghnóthaigh a chuideacta duais ITAG don nuálaíocht i ngníomhá i réimse an Léirshamhlaithe Ríomhaire. Tá céim onóracha céad ghrád aige i bhFisic Fheidhmeach & Leictreonaic agus céim Máistir i Riarachán Gnó ó NUI Gaillimh. Ar na sainspéiseanna taighde atá aige tá Teicneolaíochtaí Taighde agus Idirlíon na nEarraí. Is feachtasóir é Éamon ar feadh a shaol ar mhaithle le cearta níos fearr do dhaoine atá míchumasaithe agus bhí roinnt post boird aige le blianta beaga do charthanás cláraithe míchumais.

Tá céim le céad onóracha ag an Dr Lisa Ryan in Eolaíochtaí Cothaithe agus PhD i mbithcheimic Chothaithe ó UCC. Ba é an chéad taithí iardhochtúireachta a fuair sí ná tionscadal a bhí maoinithe ag Fiontar Éireann a bhain le comhoibriú idir roinn na Ceimice agus an roinn Chothaithe ag UCC. Ina diaidh sin chuaigh sí i mbun comhalaíochta iardhochtúireachta a bhí maoinithe ag Fondúireacht Eolaíochta na hÉireann agus í á treorú ag an Ollamh Nora O'Brien, UCC.

Bhog an Dr Ryan go dtí an RA mar Léachtóir Sinsearach i gCothú Daonna ag Ollscoil Bournemouth sular bhog sí go dtí Léachtóireacht Shinsearach ag Ollscoil Brookes Oxford in 2008 áit a ndeachaigh sí leis an Lárionad Feidhmeach Bia, láirionad taighde atá tiomanta do mheasúnú ar eifeacht bianna feidhmiúla ar shláinte dhaonna, agus bhunaigh sí an Grúpa Taighde Fiteacheimiceach. In 2010 iarradh uirthi an Lárionad Feidhmeach Bia a reáchtáil mar Stiúrthóir Oibríochtaí agus d'athraigh sí an láirionad taighde isteach i gceann den bheagán d'eagraíochtaí bhrabúsacha san ollscoil.

Tugadh cuireadh don Dr Ryan chuig Ollscoil Monash in Melbourne na hAstráile chun Áisínteacht Taighde BASE (Be Active Sleep & Eat/Bí Gniomhach, Déan Codladh & Ith) a bhunú agus chun bheith ina ceann ar an bhfoireann taighde Bia Feidhmeach. Mheall an Dr Ryan cuid mhaith ioncaim taighde sa réimse Fiteacheimiceach agus bianna feidhmeacha. Go dtí seo tá obair déanta aici le breis is 50 compháirtí tionsclaíochta, ar a n-áirítear tionscadail bheaga scoite agus trialacha cliniciúla níos mó agus mheall sí maoiniú freisin ó ghníomhaireachtaí maoinithe iomaíocha, amhail an Chomhairle Taighde Leighis (MRK, RA), an Nuffield Trust (RA) agus an Welcome Trust (RA).

Pictiúr (thuas): An Dr Lisa Ryan, Cheann na Roinne nua Eolaíochtaí Nádúrtha, Scoil na hEolaíochta GMIT.



at the Department of Computer Science and Applied Physics in the GMIT School of Science. His specialist teaching areas include Web Technologies, Cloud Computing and Computer Architecture. Eamon has over 20 years' industry experience, working for both multi-nationals in Ireland and overseas and SMEs in technical and management roles including running his own business for ten years; in 2009 his company won an ITAG award for innovation in business in the area of Computer Virtualisation. He has a first class honours degree in Applied Physics & Electronics and a Masters in Business Administration from NUI Galway. His research interests include Learning Technologies and the Internet of Things. Eamon is also a long-time campaigner for better rights for people with disabilities and has held a number of board positions over the past decade for registered disability charities.

Dr Lisa Ryan has a first class honours degree in Nutritional Science and a PhD in Nutritional Biochemistry from UCC. Her first postdoctoral experience was an Enterprise Ireland-funded project involving a collaboration between the Chemistry department and the Nutrition department at UCC. She subsequently embarked on a Science Foundation Ireland (SFI)-funded postdoctoral research fellow led by Professor Nora O'Brien, UCC.

Dr Ryan moved to the UK to a Senior Lectureship in Human Nutrition at Bournemouth University before moving on to another Senior Lectureship at Oxford Brookes University in 2008 where she joined the Functional Food Centre, a research centre dedicated to the evaluation of the effect of functional foods on human health, and established the Phytochemical Research Group. In 2010 she was asked to take over the running of the Functional Food Centre as Operations Director and turned the research centre into one of the few profit-generating organisations within the University.

Dr Ryan was invited to Monash University in Melbourne, Australia, to help establish the BASE (Be Active Sleep & Eat) Research Facility and lead the Functional Food research stream. Dr Ryan has attracted considerable research income in the area of phytochemicals and functional foods. To date she has worked with over 50 industry partners including small discrete projects and larger clinical trials and has also attracted research funding from competitive funding agencies such as the Medical Research Council (MRC, UK), The Nuffield Trust (UK) and The Wellcome Trust (UK).

Picture (top): Dr Lisa Ryan, Head of the new Department of Natural Sciences, GMIT School of Science

Taighde agus Nuálaíocht 3.2

Tuairisc eolaithe GMIT ar thruailliú Micreaplaisteach foilsithe in 'Nature's Scientific reports'

D'fhoilsigh eolaithe de chuid GMIT agus a gcomhoibrithe an chéad staidéar ar thruailliú micreaplaisteach in uiscí Artacha Déardaoin, 8 Deireadh Fómhair, i d'Tuairisci Eolaiochta an Nádúir. Tá brúscar muiri pláisteach le fáil i méideanna agus cainníochtaí éagsúla ar fud na cruinne ó uiscí dromchla go dríodar mara doimhne. Ach níor foilsíodh suirbhé riamh roimhe seo ar thruailliú micreaplaisteach in uiscí Artacha.

Mhínigh an príomheolaí, an Dr Amy Lusher, an rud a spreag a suirbhé: "De réir mar atá laghdú ag teacht ar oidhir mara, d'fhéadfadh breis loingseoir eachta agus gníomhaíocht iascaireachta cur le truailliú muiri in uiscí Artacha. Tá meastachán bhonn líne ar leibhéal truaillithe mhicreaplaistigh agus tuiscint ar dháileadh micreaplaistigh ríthábhachtach. Cuideoidh an t-eolas chun éifeachtaí an truailleáin nua ar an gcomhshaol agus ar orgánaigh a aimsiú".

Fuair foireann an Dr Lusher amach go raibh micreaplaistigh fairsing in uiscí dromchla agus fodromchla. Bhí na cáithní míreaplaisteacha snáithíneach ar an iomlán, rud a chuirfeadh in iúl gur eascair siad as briseadh síos ar mhíreanna níos mó nó as séarachas agus uisce dramhaíla ó cheantair chósta. Ní thugtear fós an fhoinsí agus na conairí a thugann micreaplaisteach go dtí an tArtach ach dealraíonn sé go bhfuil baint ag iompar aigéin ar mhórscála agus ionchur áitiúil leis an scéal.

Ta imní ar an gcomhoibritheoir Iodálach, an Dr Valentina Tirelli, faoi éifeachtaí féideartha an truaillithe mhicreaplaistigh ar an mbeatha mhuirí san Artach: "Cuireann flúirse an mhicreaplaistigh in uiscí dromchla in iúl go bhfuil dochúlacht ard ann go dtiocfaidh orgánaigh mhuirí i dteagmháil le micreaplaistigh. Má bhriseann micreaplaistigh síos ina bpíosaí níos lú, d'fhéadfadh sé go dtóigfadh súphlanctón agus orgánaigh mhuirí eile cáithní míreaplaisteacha in ábhabhácht a gcuid bia agus na pláistigh a ionghabháil trí dhearmad. Tá gá lena thuilleadh taighde le fáil amach an bhfuil cur isteach ar fheidhmiú bonn na slabhraí bia Artacha".

Rinneadh taighde Artach an Dr Lusher mar chuid dá taighde PhD ag GMIT i gcomhar le OGS, an Institiúid Náisiúnta Iodálach ar Aigéaneolaíocht agus Gheofísic Thurgnamhach. Fuair an taighde tacáíocht ó Chomhairle Taighde na hÉireann agus glao polach EUFLEETS2 (tionscadal de chuid Chláir Taighde 7ú Creat Choimisiún na hEorpa).

Pictiúr: An Dr Amy Lusher (ar chlé) agus an Dr Valentina Tirelli, OGS, agus anailís a déanamh acu ar shamplaí micreaplaistigh ar an Soitheach Taighde G.O. Sars laisteadas Svalbard i Meitheamh 2014 [Fótó le Renata Lucchi].

Research and Innovation 3.2



GMIT scientists' report on microplastic pollution published in 'Nature's Scientific Reports'

The first study of microplastic pollution in Arctic waters was published Thursday, 8 October, in Nature's Scientific Reports by GMIT scientists and their collaborators. Plastic marine litter is found in varying quantities and sizes around the globe from surface waters to deep sea sediments. However, a survey of microplastic pollution has never before been reported in Arctic waters.

Lead scientist, Dr Amy Lusher, explained the motivation for her survey: "As sea ice extent is reducing, heightened shipping and fishing activity may increase marine pollution in Arctic waters. Baseline estimates of microplastic pollution levels and an understanding of microplastic distribution are crucial. This information will help determine the effects of this novel pollutant on the environment and organisms".

Dr Lusher's team found microplastics were abundant in surface and sub-surface waters. Microplastic particles were mainly fibrous, suggesting that they originated either from the breakdown of larger items, or from sewage and wastewater from coastal areas. The origins and pathways bringing microplastic to the Arctic remain unclear but large scale ocean transport and local input are both indicated.

Italian collaborator, Dr Valentina Tirelli, is concerned about the potential effects of microplastic pollution on marine life in the Arctic: "The abundance of microplastic in surface waters suggests that there is a high probability that marine organisms will encounter microplastics. If microplastics break down into smaller pieces, zooplankton and other marine organisms may confuse microplastic particles for their food, and mistakenly ingest the plastics. Further research is needed to determine if the functioning at the base of Arctic food chains is affected".

Dr Lusher's Arctic research was conducted as part of her PhD research at GMIT in collaboration with OGS, the Italian National Institute of Oceanography and Experimental Geophysics. The research was supported by the Irish Research Council and EUFLEETS2 polar call (a project of the European Commission's 7th Framework Research Programme).

Picture: Dr Amy Lusher (left) and Dr Valentina Tirelli, OGS, analysing microplastic samples on the Research Vessel G.O. Sars south of Svalbard in June 2014 [Photo by Renata Lucchi].

Gnóthaíonn innealtóir bithleighis GMIT duais ag Comhdháil Máinliacha Soithíoch

Ghnóthaigh an Dr Florian Stefanov, Innealtóir Taighde Bithleighis ag Láirionad Teicneolaíochta Leighis GMIT, GMedTech, i gcomhar le hInstitiúid Soithíoch an Iarthair, Ospidéal Ollscoile na Gaillimhe agus Clinic na Gaillimhe, an chéad áit ag Comhdháil Idirnáisiúnta an Chumann Máinliacha Soithíoch 2015 as cur i láthair póstaer ar fheidhmíocht an steintín ilsrrathaigh le haghaidh chóireál ainéaraíos aortaigh.

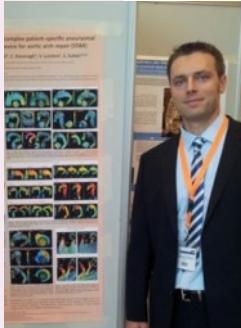
Agus an teideal foirmiúil air “Haemodynamic Insights from Six Complex Patient-Specific Aneurysmal Cases Treated with the Streamliner Device for Aortic repair (STAR)”, rinne an staidéar seo measúnú ar fheidhmíocht na feiste nua steintín ilsrrathaigh atá forbartha ag CardiatisTM, sa Bheilg mar chóireál ar chásanna casta ainéaracha áirse aortach. Is é atá in ainéaraíos aortacha ná balúnú mínormalach den phríomhshoiteach fola atá ceangailte leis an gcroí. Mura ndéantar cóireál orthu, féadfaidh ainéaraíos réabadh agus a bheith ina gcúis bháis.

Mar a mhíníonn an Dr Stefanov: “Bhreathnaigh muid ar na teicníci ionsoitheach a úsáidtear i gcóireál ainéaraíos áirse aortach ó shé lárionad leighis ar fud an domhain agus rinne muid cuid mhaith ionsamhluithe ríomhaire ar na roghanna cóireála sin. Léirigh na torthaí gur teicneolaíochta bhfuil gealladh fúithi í an fheiste streamliner, a mbíonn aschuir clineacha spreagúla le haghaidh cásanna casta ag baint léi agus go bhféadfadh sé gur rogha níos fearr í ná cuir chuige reatha máinliachte agus/nó ionsoitheacha.” Is é seo an chéad uair a ndearnadh ionsamhluithe ríomhaire measúnú agus a thuar idirgníomhú na fola leis an bhfeiste seo le haghaidh cásanna sonracha othair, agus cásanna nósanna imeachta eile san áireamh. Féadfaidh torthaí an staidéir seo cuidíú le pleánáil réamhobráide, rud a chothaíonn aschuir cliniciúla níos fearr gan gá a bheith le hath-idiirghabháil.

Ba iarracht chom-chomhoibríoch é an staidéar seo a raibh siad seo a leanas gafa leis: an Dr Liam Morris agus an Dr Patrick Delassus as Láirionad GMedTech agus an tOllamh Sherif Sultan agus Niamh Hynes Uas. ó Institiúid Soithíoch an Iarthair, Roinn na Máinliacha Soithíoch agus Ionsoithíoch, Ospidéal Ollscoile na Gaillimhe agus Clinic na Gaillimhe.

Pictiúr: An Dr Florian Stefanov de chuid Láirionad Teicneolaíochta Leighis GMIT, GMedTech, a ghnóthaigh an chéad duais ag an gComhdháil Idirnáisiúnta Máinliacha Soithíoch in Aithin na Gréige le deireanas as cur i láthair póstaer a mhíníonn an steintín ilsrrathach le haghaidh chóireail ainéaraíos aortach.

Gnóthaíonn taighdeoir de chuid GMIT an chéad áit ag an National Thesis in 3 Final – conas is féidir le téachtán fola a fhoirmlítear i gcroí daoine le Fibriliú Aitriamach a bheith ina gcúis le stróc



GMIT biomedical engineer wins award at Vascular Surgical Congress

Dr Florian Stefanov, a Biomedical Research Engineer at GMIT’s Medical Technology Centre, GMedTech, in collaboration with the Western Vascular Institute, Galway University Hospital and Galway Clinic, won first place at the International Society for Vascular Surgery 2015 Congress, for a poster presentation outlining the performance of the multi-layer stent for the treatment of aortic aneurysms.

Formally titled “Haemodynamic Insights from Six Complex Patient-Specific Aneurysmal Cases Treated with the Streamliner Device for Aortic Arch Repair (STAR)”, this study assessed the performance of the novel multi-layered streamliner stent device developed by CardiatisTM, Belgium for the treatment of complex aortic arch aneurysmal cases. Aortic aneurysms are an abnormal ballooning of the main blood vessel attached to the heart. If left untreated, aneurysms may rupture causing death.

Dr Stefanov explains “We looked at the latest endovascular techniques used to treat aortic arch aneurysms from six medical centres worldwide and performed numerous computer simulations on these treatment options. Our findings showed that the streamliner device is a promising new technology, which produces very encouraging clinical outcomes for complex cases and may constitute a better alternative to current surgical and/or endovascular approaches.” This is the first time that computer simulations have assessed and predicted the blood’s interaction with this device, for patient-specific cases, with the inclusion of other procedural scenarios. The results from this study can assist pre-operative planning, which leads to improved clinical outcomes without the need for re-intervention.

This study was a joint collaborative effort involving Dr Liam Morris and Dr Patrick Delassus from the GMedTech Centre and Professor Sherif Sultan and Ms Niamh Hynes from the Western Vascular Institute, Department of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, Galway University Hospital and the Galway Clinic.

Picture: Dr Florian Stefanov of GMIT’s Medical Technology Centre, GMedTech, who won a top award at the International Vascular Surgical Congress in Athens, Greece, recently, for a poster presentation outlining the performance of the multi-layer stent for the treatment of aortic aneurysms.

GMIT researcher wins first place at National #Thesis in 3 Final - how stroke can be caused by blood clots that form in the hearts of people with Atrial Fibrillation

Fiona Malone, a postgrad researcher in GMIT’s Medical Technology Research Centre, GMedTech, won overall first prize at the 2015 National Thesis in 3 Final, held in the Sugar

Ghnóthaigh Fiona Malone, taighdeoir iarchéime i Láriónad Taighde Teicneolaíochta Leighis de chuid GMIT, GMedTech, an chéad duais fhioriomlán ag Babhta Ceannais Thesis Náisiúnta in 3 a tionóladh sa Sugar Club, Baile Átha Cliath. Chuir neacha léinn as gach cearn d'Eirinn a dtáighde máistir nó dochtúireachta i láthair i bhformáid Thesis in 3 faoinar chuir siad a gcuid oibre in iúl i sraith cainteanna gonta gasta a raibh san áireamh ann trí shleamhnán d'aon nóiméad go díreach os comhair painéal meastóirí agus os comhair lucht féachana.

Bhí mar theideal ar chur i láthair Fionna 'Stroke: Are we only just a heartbeat away' D'úsáid sí carachtar darbh ainm 'Bob' chun scéal a taighde a ríomh. Agus í ag caint faoina duais, deir sí: "Ba é an chéad uair a raibh baint ag GMIT riamh leis an gcomórtas náisiúnta seo agus d'éirigh linn an duais a bhreith linn. Tá gliondar an domhain orm. Bhain mo chaint le conas is féidir le téachtán fola a fhoirmítear i gcroí daoine le Fibriliú Aitriamach (Afib), cineál buille an chroí mírialta, a bheith ina gcúis le stróc."

"Is é seo an mhírialtacht croíbhuelle is coitianta ar fud na cruinne agus bíonn na téachtáin fola seo ina gcúis le 30% de na stróic go léir. Chuireas an topaic i láthair an lucht féachana le carachtar darbh ainm Bob, fear tipiciúil Éireannach a bhfuil Afib ag tarlú dó. Ansin phléigh mé conas a d'fhéadfadh riocth marfach stróic eascairt as. Is é an topaic sin croíshaothar mo PhD, a bhaineann le tosca haemadinimiciúla a bheith ina gcúis le stróc."

Pictiúr: Clíodhna O'Connor, UCD, Martin O'Reilly, Insight, Fiona Malone (Buaiteoir), GMIT, agus Niamh Kavanagh, Institiúid Tyndall.

Labhraíonn príomhfhorraithe ag imeacht GMIT Spiorad na Fiontraíochta

Tháinig fiontraithe agus lucht gnó ó régiún an iarthair le chéile ag GMIT Mhaigh Eo i gCaisleán an Bharraigh Dé Máirt, 29 Meán Fómhair, chun bheith rannpháirteach sa naoú Tráthnóna bliantúil de Spiorad na Fiontraíochta a bhí arna óstú ag an Mol Nuálaíochta (iHub) agus é eagraithe ag Maria Staunton bainisteoir iHub. Ba í Karen Coleman, iriseoir agus craoltóir a bhí ina bean a' tí don tráthnóna, agus plé á óstú le beirt fiontraí Éireannach, Colm Lyon agus John McGuire.

Pictiúr: Roinn aónna ag imeacht Spiorad na Fiontraíochta in Halla Naomh Muire.



Club, Dublin. Students from all over Ireland presented their masters or doctoral research in the Thesis in 3 format whereby they communicated their work in a series of concise, rapidly-paced talks consisting of three slides of exactly one minute each, to a panel of judges in front of an audience.

Fiona's presentation was titled 'Stroke: are we only just a heartbeat away'. She used a character called 'Bob' to tell the story of her research. Speaking about her win, she says: "It was the first time that GMIT has ever been involved in this national competition and we've managed to scoop the top prize. I'm over the moon. My talk was about how a stroke can be caused by blood clots that form in the heart of people with Atrial Fibrillation (AFib), a type of irregular heartbeat."

"This is the most common heartbeat irregularity across the globe and these blood clots can account for up to 30% of all strokes. I introduced the topic to the audience with a character named Bob, a typical Irish man who finds one day that he is experiencing AFib. I then discussed how this could lead to the fatal condition of stroke."

"This topic is the core work of my PhD, which concerns the haemodynamic factors that influence stroke occurrence. My aim is to simulate the whole stroke scenario from clot formation to stroke occurrence."

Picture; Clíodhna O'Connor, UCD, Martin O'Reilly, Insight, Fiona Malone (winner), GMIT, and Niamh Kavanagh, Tyndall Institute



Leading entrepreneurs address GMIT Spirit of Entrepreneurship event

Entrepreneurs and business people from the west region gathered at GMIT Mayo in Castlebar on Tuesday, 29 September, to participate in the ninth annual Spirit of Entrepreneurship Evening hosted by the Innovation Hub (iHub) and organised by Maria Staunton, iHub manager. Karen Coleman, journalist and broadcaster was the MC for the evening, hosting discussions with two prominent Irish entrepreneurs, Colm Lyon and John McGuire.

Picture: Some of the guests at the Spirit of Entrepreneurship event in St Mary's hall

Is bunaitheoir agus POF Fire Financial Services é Colm Lyon agus bunaitheoir agus iar-POF Realex Payments; is bunaitheoir Active Mind Technology é John McGuire agus cruthaitheoir Game Golf. Labhair siad beirt faoi 'Gnó a Thógáil & a Scálú' Cuimsithe san imeacht bhí Dúshlán PitchComp ina raibh trí chuideachtaí luathstaíd agus iad in iomaiocht le haghaidh gnó. Tá siad ar an gclár New Frontier atá á sheachadadh i gcampais iHub Mhaigh Eo agus na Gaillimhe. Fuair an ceann ab fhéarr maoiniú de €1,500 agus meantóireacht ó Westbic. Bhí plé painéis ar 'Nuálaíocht, Infheistíocht agus Airgeadais' ar siúl ag 6.30pm a raibh páirteach ann Pat Walsh, SB PanelDuct atá bunaithe i mBaile an Róba (an chuideachta Ba Nuálaí in 2015 de chuid an Irish Times/Intertrade Éireann), Mark Ganly, Contego Sports, Orla Nolan, WxNW, Western Angel Investment Syndicate nua, agus Sarah Nic Lochlainn, sraith-fhiontraí, rannpháirtí ar Dragons' Den RTÉ agus bunaitheoir Aruna Sauces.

Cúrsa saor in aisce á thairiscint ag GMIT i Nuálaíocht agus Fiontraíocht Bia

Sheol GMIT tairiscint úrnua agus saor in aisce, cursa Teastas i Nuálaíocht agus Fiontraíocht Bia, faoi thionscnamh Ardoideachas Springboard atá á mhaoiniú ag an Rialtas. Rinne fiontraithe d'ardphróifil an cursa páirtaimseartha seo a sheachadadh, ar a n-áirítear Brendan Allen de chuid Castlemine Farms, JP McMahon, Proinnteoir Gaillimheach, Ronan Byrne aka The Friendly Farmer, agus Declan Droney de chuid Kinvara Smoked Salmon.

Seachadadh an Teastas Iarchéime (Leibhéal 9 – 30 creidiúint) thar dhá lá sa tséachtain ar feadh naoi seachtain déag ag campas na Gaillimhe, dar túis Dé Máirt, 19 Eanáir 2016 agus dar túis Márt 2016 ag campas Mhaigh Eo. Tá an cursa le haghaidh 60 rannpháirtí lánmhaoinithe ag an gclár Ardoideachais, Springboard.

Mar a mhíníonn an Dr Lisa Ryan: "Is cinnte go mbeidh an-tóir ar an gcúrsa laisitigh den agráphobal agus pobal an bhia. Tá sé ceaptha chun rannpháirtithe uaiillmhianacha a spreagadh lena gcuid smaointe forbartha táirge a chothú agus a fhorbairt ina ngnólachtaí. Trí mhodúl a bheidh sa chúrsa a chuimseoidh éagsúlacht topaíci ó ghiniúint smaointe go forbairt samhla gnó, agus téama sainearnála (bia) san áireamh. Beidh ionchur suntasach ó fhoinsí seachtracha i gceist le gach modúl d'fhoinn braistint fhíor rannpháirtíochta agus údarachta a thabhairt."



GMIT offers free course in Food Innovation and Entrepreneurship

GMIT launched a brand new and free offering, the Certificate in Food Innovation and Entrepreneurship course, under the Government-funded Higher Education Springboard initiative. This part-time course was delivered by high-profile entrepreneurs including but not limited to Brendan Allen of Castlemine Farms, JP McMahon a Galway Restaurateur, Ronan Byrne aka The Friendly Farmer, and Declan Droney of Kinvara Smoked Salmon.

This Post Graduate Certificate (Level 9 - 30 credits) was delivered over two days per week for nineteen weeks at the Galway campus commencing Tuesday, 19 January 2016 and commencing at the Mayo campus in March 2016. The course for 60 participants is fully funded by the Springboard Higher Education programme.

Dr Lisa Ryan (above), Head of Dept of Natural Sciences, GMIT explains: "This course is certain to cause great excitement within the food and agri communities. It is designed to encourage ambitious participants to foster and develop their food and product development ideas into businesses."

"The course will consist of three modules which will cover a variety of topics from idea generation to business model development, incorporating a (food) sector specific theme. Each module will have significant input from external sources to give a real sense of engagement and authenticity." "Working in collaboration, the GMIT School of Science and

“Beidh Scoil na hEolaíochta agus na Ríomhaireachta GMIT agus Moil Nuálaíochta GMIT ar thíos cadhnaíochta i seachadadh an chúrsa agus iad ag obair i gcomhar le chéile. Dáiríre táimid ag iarraidh cruthaitheoirí jabanna sa todhchaí a chruthú,” a deir an Dr Ryan.

Pictiúr: JP McMahon, Proinnteoir Gaillimheach, an Dr Lisa Ryan, Ceann Roinn na nEolaiochtaí Beatha, GMIT, agus Brendan Allen, Castlemine Farms, ag seoladh sonraí an chúrsa nua Nuálaíochta agus Fiontraíochta Bia.

Cuireann Mol Nuálaíochta na Gaillimhe agus Cumann Tráchtála na Gaillimhe ‘Start-up Stories’ i láthair.

Mar chuid de Chruinníú Tosaithe Gnólachtaí 2015, seachtain náisiúnta tosaithe na hÉireann, d'óstaigh Moil Nuálaíochta GMIT tráthnóna de scéalta spleodracha tosaithe ó fhiontraithe rathúla Déardaoin, 8 Deireadh Fómhair in iHub campas na Gaillimhe.

Reáchtáladh an t-imeacht, a bhí saor in aisce i gcompháirtíocht le Cumann Tráchtála na Gaillimhe a bhfuil stair fhada ag GMIT ag comhoibriú leo chun fior-acmhainneacht na Gaillimhe a bhaint amach mar phríomhionad maireachtála, oibre agus gnó. Mhínígh Turlough Rafferty, Bainisteoir Oibríochtaí, iHub GMIT na Gaillimhe: “Ba é a bhí mar fhís agaínn eiceachórás nasctha dinimiciúil fionnraíoch agus nuálaíoch a sheachadadh inar féidir le fiontraithe, tosuithe gnólachta, cuideachtaí ag fás agus institiúidi oideachais forbairt le chéile.”

Ar na cainteoirí bhí beirt aoichtainteoir: Kevin McCaffrey, Bunaitheoir tr3dent, agus Brendan McLaughlin, POF Capsos Medical Ltd atá bunaithe sa Mol Nuálaíochta. Tá taithí ICT breis is 25 bliain ag Kevin McCaffrey agus bogearrá agus tionscadail bhunathraithe gnó á seachadadh aige i Meiricea Thuaidh, san Eoraip agus san Afraic. Cheana féin tá trí chuideachte teicneolaíochta tóigthe agus fágtha aige. Cuireann Tr3dent Réitigh 3D Léirshamhlaithe Gnó ar fáil do chliaint chorparáideacha.

Is feidhmeannach rathúil le taithí é Brendan McLaughlin agus breis is 30 bliain taithí tionsclaíochta aige, agus teist chruthaithe aige i gcur i gcrích bainistíochta agus fionnraíochta, go mórrín in earnáil na bhFeistí Leighis. Tá teicneolaíocht paitinnithe ag Capsos Medical le haghaidh feiste chun trasnú sábháilte agus rialaithe chaidhp chalctha ochlúidí ionmlána ainsealacha a éascú.

Computing and the GMIT Innovation Hubs (at both Galway and Mayo campuses) will lead the delivery of this course. We are essentially trying to forge future job creators,” adds Dr Ryan.

Picture: JP McMahon, Galway Restaurateur, Dr Lisa Ryan, Head of Dept of Life Sciences, GMIT, and Brendan Allen, Castlemine Farms, launching details of the new Food Innovation and Entrepreneurship course.

GMIT Innovation Hub and Galway Chamber present ‘Start-up Stories’

As part of the Start-up Gathering 2015, Ireland’s national start-up week, GMIT Innovation Hubs hosted an evening of colourful start-up stories from successful entrepreneurs on Thursday, 8 October in the Galway campus iHub.

This free event was run in partnership with Galway Chamber with whom GMIT has a long standing history, working together to realise Galway’s potential as the leading location to live, work and do business.

Turlough Rafferty, Operations Manager, GMIT iHub, Galway, explained: “Our vision is to deliver a connected, dynamic entrepreneurial and innovative ecosystem where entrepreneurs, start-ups, growth companies and educational institutions can grow together.”

Speakers included two guest entrepreneurs; Kevin McCaffrey, Founder of Tr3dent, and Brendan McLaughlin, CEO of Capsos Medical Ltd based in the Innovation Hub.

Kevin McCaffrey has over 25 years’ ICT experience, delivering on enterprise software and business transformation projects in North America, Europe and Africa. He has also previously built and exited three other technology companies. Tr3dent provide 3D Business Visualisation Solutions to corporate clients. Brendan McLaughlin is a successful and experienced executive with more than 30 years of industry experience, with a proven track record of managerial and entrepreneurial achievement, most notably in the Medical Device sector. Capsos Medical has patented technology for a device to facilitate the safe and controlled crossing of the calcified cap of chronic total occlusions.

Idirnáisiúnú

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An scoláire Fulbright agus antraipeolá Notre Dame ag dul i leith GMIT Clár Cultúir & Comhshaoil

Tá cainteanna poiblí le reáchtáil agus scéalta staire ó bhéal le tógáil ag an Dr Deb Rotman mar chuid dá taighde ar chlacain

Chuaigh an scoláire Fulbright agus antraipeolá Notre Dame, an Dr Deb Rotman i leith chlár Cultúir agus Comhshaoil GMIT mar aoiléachtóir don bhliaín acadúil 2015/16. Chomhoibrigh an Dr Rotman le GMIT Mhaigh Eo agus UCD ar a tionscadal, “Clachans and Cultural Landscapes of County Mayo, Ireland: Local History, Folklore and Archaeology of 19th-Century Domestic Sites”.

Léachtóirí an Dr Yvonne McDermott, Fiona White agus an Dr Rotman

Mar chuid dá taighde, agus le hais a ról léachtóireachta le GMIT, thug sí roinnt léachtá poiblí i mbailte i Maigh Eo i mí na Nollag 2015 agus Meitheamh 2016, agus chuaigh i gcomhar le daoine áitiúla chun sraith scéalta staire ó bhéal a thiomsú faoi chlachain san iartha. Is é atá i gclachan ná gráig stairiúil tithní aon stór a bhain tráth le pobal feirmeoirí nó iascairí agus gargaol acu le chéile, agus iad suite de ghnáth ar dhrochthalamh.

Deir an Dr Rotman: “Ba chompháirteanna ríthábhachtacha iad de thírdhreach na hÉireann, go háirithe san iartha sna blianta roimh an Ghorta Mór, ach fós tá neamhschuim geall leis déanta orthu i staidéir staire, seandálaíochta agus ailtireachta an réigiúin.”

“Ta súil agam maoriseacht a dhéanamh ar shuirbhé tírdhreacha na gclachan i gceantracha tuaithe Cho. Mhaigh Eo i gcompháirtíocht le neacha léinn agus baill foirne ar chlár Cultúir agus Comhshaoil (le Turasóireacht) GMIT-Staidéar Oidhreachta mar a bhí roimhe seo. Beidh mé ag obair freisin ar an tionscadal seo le Scoil na Seandálaíochta ag Coláiste na hOllscoile Bhaile Átha Cliath. Tabharfaidh mé faoi thaighde cartlainne, bailiú staire ó bhéal agus modhanna eile thaighde ar shuíomhanna 19ú haois sa chontae.”

“Bainfear as na sonraí go léir a bhaileoidh mé chun acmhainní oidhreacha a dhoiciméadú don tSeirbhís Náisiúnta Séadchomharthaí, do Bhonnachar Sonraí an tSuirbhé Seandálaíochta chomh maith le bheith ina threoir do thochailtí i gcomhar le GMIT Mhaigh Eo agus UCD.”

“Is bunáit baile iontach í GMIT don tionscadal i ngeall ar a clár Cultúir agus Comhshaoil (le Turasóireacht) agus a suíomh. Tá Caisleán an Bharraigh suite go huathúil i dtírdhreach atá saibhir ó thaobh na staire agus na seansdálaíochta de.”

Internationalisation

3.3



Fulbright scholar and Notre Dame Anthropologist joins GMIT Culture & Environment Programme

Dr Deb Rotman to hold public talks and build oral histories as part of her research on clachans

Fulbright Scholar and University of Notre Dame Anthropologist, Dr Deb Rotman, joined the GMIT Culture and Environment programme as a guest lecturer for the 2015/16 academic year. Dr Rotman collaborated with GMIT Mayo and UCD on her project, “*Clachans and Cultural Landscapes of County Mayo, Ireland: Local History, Folklore, and Archaeology of 19th-Century Domestic Sites*.”

Lecturers Dr Yvonne McDermott, Fiona White, and Dr Rothman

As part of her research work, and in addition to her GMIT lecturing role, she held a number of public lectures in towns in Mayo in December 2015 and June (2016), and engaged with local people to compile a series of oral histories about clachans in the west. A clahan is a historical cluster of single-story cottages once belonging to farming or fishing people who had strong ties of kinship, usually sited on poor land.

Dr Rotman says: “They were critical components of the Irish landscape, particularly in the west in the decades prior to the Great Famine, yet they have been almost completely ignored in historical, archaeological, and architectural studies of the region.”

“I hope to oversee a landscape survey of clachans in rural Co Mayo in partnership with students and staff on the GMIT Culture and Environment (with Tourism) programme on campus, previously Heritage Studies. I will also be working on this project with the School of Archaeology at University College Dublin. I will undertake archival research, oral history collection, and other methods to research 19th century sites in the county.”

“All the data I gather will be used to document heritage resources for the National Monuments Service (NMS), Archaeological Survey Database as well as guide future excavations in collaboration with GMIT Mayo and UCD.”

“GMIT is an ideal home base for the project because of its Culture and Environment (with Tourism) programme and its location. Castlebar is uniquely situated in an historically and archaeologically rich landscape.”

Comhoibrithe agus Comhghuaillíochtaí 3.4

GMIT Leitir Fraic agus Coillte agus comhoibriú nua taighde & nuálaíochta á fhógaírt

Tá comhghuaillíocht nua thábhachtach déanta ag GMIT Leitir Fraic le Coillte atá dírithe ar chuspóirí agus misean an dá eagraíocht a chur chun cinn trí aistriú eolais, tionscadail teicneolaíochta agus taighde. Sheol David Murray, Bainisteoir Nuálaíochta, Coillte Panel Products, agus Dermot O'Donovan, Ceann Lárionaid, GMIT Leitir Fraic, an Lárionad Náisiúnta don Bharr Feabhas i nDearadh & Teicneolaíochta Troscáin, an comhaontú comhoibrithe go foirmiúil ag fáiltíú i gcampas Leitir Fraic i Meán Fómhair.

Tá mar aidhm ag an gcompháirtíocht nua tógáil ar shaineolas na foirne sa dá eagraíocht, deiseanna a chur ar fáil le haghaidh neach léinn agus baill foirne oibríú i ndlúthchomhar le compháirtí mór i dtionscal an adhmaid, agus deiseá chun cinn don dá pháirtí.

Soláthraíonn an comhaontú dóibh seo a leanas:

Tionscadail taighde fochéime agus iarchéime i réimsí amhail forbairt próiseas agus/nó tárgí nua agus úsáid á baint as tárgí painéil Medite nuálach (MDF) agus SmartPly OSB;

Dearadh tárgé agus úsáid á baint as raon tárgí Coillte ar a n-áirítear tárgí painéil, tárgí foraoise amhail tanúcháin foraoise, specis chrua-adhmaid uainíochta gearr, specis bhogadhmaid;

Inbhuanaitheacht agus na himpleachtaí agus deiseanna le haghaidh thárgí adhmadbhunaithe Coillte;

Forbairt cláir nua do na neacha léinn agus d'iarcheinimh;

Cuidiú le plé straitéiseach a imríonn tionchar ar thárgí troscáin agus adhmaid in Éirinn agus níos faide i gcéin.

Deir David Murray, Bainisteoir Nuálaíochta ag Coillte Panel Products: "Tá áthas ar Coillte a bheith ag obair in éineacht le GMIT. Tá ár straitéis dírithe ar bhreislúach a chur lenár bpúnann de thárgí painéil adhmaid. Feictear dúinn ár gcomhoibriú le GMIT ag soláthar creat maith le haghaidh nuálaíochta agus forbairt tárgé. Tá luach ollmhór ag baint le rochtain ar áiseanna GMIT, bonn eolais na foirne agus smaointeoiréacht úr na neach léinn. Is é ár mian an t-eolas ilgħnejtheach seo agus an bonn scileanna a chur ag obair agus é a athrú ina fñiorluach tráchtála le haghaidh tárgí adhmadbhunaithe inbhuanaithe nuálaíocha na hÉireann."

Pictiúr: Dermot O'Donovan, Ceann Lárionaid, GMIT Leitir Fraic, Duncan Stewart, ailtire, gníomháit timpeallachta agus pearsa na meán, agus David Murray, Bainisteoir Nuálaíochta, Coillte Panel Products nuair a seoladh comhaontú nuálach idir Coillte agus GMIT le deireanas.

Collaborations and Alliances 3.4

GMIT Letterfrack and Coillte announce new research & innovation collaboration

GMIT Letterfrack has formed an important new alliance with Coillte aimed at advancing the objectives and mission of the two organisations through knowledge transfer, technical projects and research. The collaborative agreement was formally launched at a reception in the Letterfrack campus in September by David Murray, Innovation Manager, Coillte Panel Products, and Dermot O'Donovan, Head of Centre, GMIT Letterfrack, the National Centre for Excellence in Furniture Design & Technology.

The new partnership aims to build on the expertise of staff in both organisations, provide opportunities for students and staff to work closely with a major wood industry partner, and develop strategic market opportunities that will advance learning, research and commercial opportunities for both parties.



The agreement provides for the following:

Undergraduate and postgraduate research projects in areas such as new process and/or product development using innovative Medite (MDF) and SmartPly OSB panel products;

Product design using a range of Coillte products including panel products, forest products such as forest thinnings, short rotation hardwood species, softwood species;

Sustainability and the implications and opportunities for Coillte wood based products;

New programme development for students and graduates;

Contributing to strategic discussions that influence the furniture and wood products industry both in Ireland and further afield.

David Murray, Innovation Manager at Coillte Panel Products, says: "Coillte are delighted to be working with GMIT. Our strategy is focused on adding value to our wood panel products portfolio. We see our collaboration with GMIT providing the ideal framework for product innovation and development. There is immense value to be gained from access to GMIT's facilities, the knowledge base of its staff and the fresh thinking of its student body. Our ambition is to harness this diverse knowledge and skills base and turn it into real commercial value for sustainable innovative Irish wood based products."

Picture: Dermot O'Donovan, Head of Centre, GMIT Letterfrack, Duncan Stewart, architect, environmentalist and media personality, and David Murray, Innovation Manager, Coillte Panel Products, at the recent launch of a collaboration agreement between Coillte and GMIT

Imeacht léirthuisceana spéartha dorcha arna óstáil ag GMIT Mhaigh Eo

Reáchtáil na neacha léinn ar chlár Oideachais Allamuigh GMIT Mhaigh Eo imeacht gníomhaíochta tráthnóna dhorcha Déardaoin, ar 10 mí na Nollag ag Loch Lannach i gCaisleán an Bharraigh i gcomhar le Tionscadal Spéartha Dorcha Mhaigh Eo. Cuireadh Tionscadal Spéartha Dorcha Mhaigh Eo ar bun mar ghrúpa pobail d'fhonn iarratas ar aitheantas ó Spéir Dhorchá Idirnáisiúnta le haghaidh Phásacht Bhaile Chruaich agus Néifinn Fhiáin a fháil. Baineann níos mó le haitheantas Spéire Dorcha a fháil ná a chinniú go bhfuil ceantar sách dorcha ó thaobh na réalteolaíochta de; éilíonn sé rannpháirtíocht leis an bpobal mór i spásanna uirbeacha i ngar tríd an oideachas agus imeachtaí for-rochtana chun feasacht ar thruaillí solais agus ídiú fuinnimh agus a éifeacht ar shaincheisteanna timpeallachta. Cuireadh túis leis an taighde ar Spéartha Dorcha Mhaigh Eo ag GMIT Mhaigh Eo tríd an gclár céime in Oideachas Allamuigh. Thug grúpa agus foireann an Champais Ghaisle de chuid GMIT Mhaigh Eo lántacaíocht don tionscnamh agus beidh neacha léinn ón Modúl Ealaíon Cruthaitheach ag comhoibriú maidir leis an imeacht atá beartaithe.

Tá mar aidhm ag an imeacht feasacht a chruthú agus meas ar fhiúntas spéartha nádúrtha na hóiche san Iarthar agus deis a thabhairt breathnú ar na réaltaí ó chadhc i lár an locha. Aibhseoidh an tráthnóna conas is feidir taitneamh a bhaint i gcónaí as gníomhaíochtaí ar feadh na dtráthnóna geimhrídh dorcha. Ba í Orla Prendergast, léachtóir ar Chláir Oideachais Allamuigh Mhaigh Eo GMIT comhordaitheoir an imeachta, ag Caisleán Rockfleet díreach lasmuigh de Bhaile Uí Fhiacháin, Co. Mhaigh Eo

Tionscnamh GMIT Leitir Fraic chun obair dearthóirí a chur ar taispeáint ag seacht suíomh i nGaillimh

Léiritre sa phictiúr ceann de na Boscaí Dearaidh nua a bheidh ag taispeáint obair Dearthóirí Éireannacha i suíomhanna feiceálacha poiblí i gCathair na Gaillimhe ó mhí na Samhna, mar chuid de Dhearradh na hÉireann 2015.

Thug GMIT Leitir Fraic faoi thionscnamh spreagúil poiblí le tacaíocht ó Irish Design 2015 inar cuireadh seacht mbosca mhóra taispeántais ar taispeántas buan poiblí i suíomhanna feiceálacha ar fud Chathair na Gaillimhe chun Dearadh Éireannach a chur chun cinn. Faoin tionscnamh, ar ar tugadh 'Galway Design Box' (Bosca Dearaidh na Gaillimhe), bhí obair dearthóra amháin i ngach bosca ar bhonn rothlach ar feadh tréimhse cheithre mhí. Ar na catagóirí dearaidh bhí



GMIT Mayo & Mayo Dark-Skies host night appreciation event

Students on the GMIT Mayo Outdoor Education programme held a dark evening activity event on Thursday, 10 December, at Lough Lannagh in Castlebar in association with the Mayo Dark Skies Project. The Mayo Dark Skies Project was set up as a community group to prepare an application for International Dark-Sky recognition for the Ballycroy and Wild Nephin Wilderness. The criteria for achieving Dark-sky recognition goes beyond establishing that an area is sufficiently dark from an astronomy point of view; it requires engagement with the wider community in nearby urban spaces through education and outreach events to raise awareness of light pollution and energy waste and its impact on environmental issues.

Research for the Mayo Dark Skies project began at GMIT Mayo through the Outdoor Education degree programme. GMIT Mayo's Green Campus group and staff have been fully supportive of the initiative and students from the Creative Arts Module will collaborate on the planned event.

The event aims to create awareness of, and appreciate, the value of natural night skies in the West and to allow for some star gazing from kayaks in the middle of the lake. The evening will also highlight how activities can still continue to be enjoyed throughout the darker winter evenings. Event co-ordinator was Orla Prendergast, lecturer on the GMIT Mayo Outdoor Education Programme, Rockfleet Castle just outside Newport, Co Mayo [Photo by Steven Hanley]



GMIT Letterfrack initiative to showcase Irish designers' work at seven Galway locations

Picture shows One of the new Design Boxes which will be showcasing Irish Designers' work in prominent public locations in Galway City from November, as part of Irish Design 2015.

GMIT Letterfrack undertook an exciting public initiative, with support from Irish Design 2015, which has seen seven large display boxes put on permanent public exhibition in prominent locations around Galway City to promote Irish Design.

The initiative, called 'Galway Design Box', saw each box house an Irish designer's work on a rotating basis for a period of four months. Design categories included ceramics, fashion, furniture, industrial design, jewellery, medical devices, millinery and textiles among others. An all-inclusive approach illustrated the breadth of design work created in Ireland. Galway Design Box is an ambitious project that will

ceirmeacht, faisean, troscán, dearadh tionsclaíoch, seodra, feistí leighis, hataí agus teicstí agus eile. Léirigh cur chuige uile-chuimsitheach réimse na hoibre dearaidh a chruthaithear in Éirinn. Is tionscadal uaillmhianach é Galway Design Box a mhairfidh cuid mhaith níos faide ná Blaín an Dearaidh Éireannach 2015, ceann a chuirfidh Gaillimh chun cinn tuilleadh mar lárionad don tsármhaitheas chruthaitheach, don dearadh agus don nuálaiocht.

Cruthaíonn an coincheap agus an dearadh, ar smaoinigh Davin Larkin agus Jeremy Madden, léachtóirí dearaidh in GMIT Leitir Fraic i dtosach orthu, ardán le haghaidh dearaidh nach bhfuil a leithéid eile in Éirinn. Ba é an fiorchatalaíoch ná go mba mhian leo feasacht ar dhearadh a ghiniúint i measc an phobail i gcoitinne. D'fhoinn é sin a dhéanamh, roghnaíodh roinnt príomhshuíomhanna ar fud chathair na Gaillimhe a dhéanann freastal ar chuid mhaith dáiáittheoirí na cathrach chomh maith le cuairteoirí. Déanfar Bosca Dearaidh na Gaillimhe a shuiteáil in Ospidéal Ollscoile na Gaillimhe, in GMIT, Stáisiún Busanna na Gaillimhe, Leabharlann na Cathrach, Oifigí Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe, Lárionad Siopadóireachta na Faiche Móire agus Músaem na Gaillimhe.

Tosach, C go D: Dermot O'Donovan, Head of Centre, GMIT Letterfrack and Jeremy Madden, lecturer, GMIT Letterfrack.

Cúl, C go D: Sven Habermann, Thomas Flaherty, and Simon Browne, Conservation Letterfrack, cuideachta atá bunaithe ar an gcampas.

Cuireann GMIT agus Innealtóirí Éireann caint phoiblí ar ‘Engineering Matters’ i láthair

Thug Innealtóirí Éireann Réigiún an Iarthair i gcomhar le Scoil na hInnealtóireachta GMIT caint phoiblí in GMIT, Gaillimh, Déardaoin, 24 Meán Fómhair, 2015. Labhair Uachtaráin Innealtóirí Éireann, Bill Grimson, ar an ábhar “Engineering Matters” agus é ag léiriú na téamaí ranpnáhfíocht chathartha; muinín; agus íomhá innealtóirí. Bhí an t-imeacht ar oscailt saor in aisce do chách sna gairmeacha innealtóireachta mar aon leis an lucht acadúil, neacha léinn tríú leibhéal agus an pobal i gcoitinne.

Léirigh caint an Uasal Grimson dearcaí neamh-innealtóirí maidir le “dúshláin mhóra” an lae inniu, fadhbanna gaolmhara socháil agus oideachasúla, conas is féidir le hÉirinn a cion a thabhairt, an dochar is féidir le brústocaireacht a dhéanamh, céin fáth gur gá d’innealtóirí ceannaireacht chuí a chur ar fáil go honnghníomhach, agus smaoineamh a dhéanamh an bhféadfadh ‘innealtóir idéalach’ a bheith ann dáiríre.

last well beyond the Year of Irish Design 2015, one that will further promote Galway as a centre of creative excellence, design and innovation.

The concept and design, the brainchild of GMIT Letterfrack design lecturers Davin Larkin and Jeremy Madden, creates a platform for design like no other city in Ireland. The true catalyst was the ambition to engender design awareness amongst the general public. To do this, a number of key locations have been chosen throughout Galway city which cater for a wide section of the city inhabitants as well as visitors. A Galway Design Box will be installed in University Hospital Galway, GMIT, Galway Coach Station, City Library, Galway County Council Offices, Eyre Square Shopping Centre and Galway Museum.

Front, L to R, Dermot O'Donovan, Head of Centre, GMIT Letterfrack and Jeremy Madden, lecturer, GMIT Letterfrack.

Back row, L to R: Sven Habermann, Thomas Flaherty, and Simon Browne, Conservation Letterfrack, a company based on campus.

GMIT and Engineers Ireland present public talk on ‘Engineering Matters’

A public talk by Engineers Ireland Western Region in association with GMIT’s School of Engineering took place in GMIT, Galway, on Thursday, 24 September, 2015. The President of Engineers Ireland, Bill Grimson, spoke on the subject “Engineering Matters”, elaborating on the themes of civic engagement; trust; and the image of engineers.



The free event was open to all in the engineering professions as well as academics, third level students and the general public.

Mr Grimson’s talk reflected the views of non-engineers regarding today’s “grand” challenges, related societal and educational conundrums, how Ireland can make a contribution, how lobbying can be destructive, why engineers need to proactively provide appropriate leadership, and consider if the ‘ideal engineer’ can exist.

The Chairman of the Western branch of Engineers Ireland, Dr Gabriel Costello, who lectures in the GMIT Dept of Mechanical & Industrial Engineering, said it was a great opportunity for all those interested in the future direction of engineering in Ireland to engage with the President of an organisation which has 24,000 members from every discipline of engineering.”

Top designers address national ‘Déanta’

Dúirt Cathaoirleach Chraobh an Iarthair d'Innealtóirí Éireann, an Dr Gabriel Costello, ar léachtóir é i Roinn na hInnealtóireachta Meicniúla & Tionscláochta de chuid GMIT, gur deis mhaith é dóibh siúd ar spéis leo treocht na hinnealtóireachta in Éirinn a bheith i dteagmháil le hUachtaráin eagraiochta ag a bhfuil 24,000 ball ó gach disciplín den innealtóireacht.”

Tugann príomhdhearthóir aitheasc ag comhdháil náisiúnta ‘Déanta’ in GMIT Leitir Fraic

Mar chuid de Irish Design 2015 (Dearadh na hÉireann 2015) (ID15), clár bliana náisiúnta a chuireann chun cinn agus a cheiliúrann Dearadh na hÉireann de gach cineál, d'ostaithe GMIT Leitir Fraic comhdháil lae Dé hAoine, 30 Deireadh Fómhair 2015, dar teideal Déanta: Irish Design from Concept to Manufacture to Market.

Thug rogha thras-disciplíneach de dhearthóirí aitheasc ag an imeacht oscailte seo agus labhair faoina dtáithí ar thárgí a thabhairt chun an mhargaidh. Cé go raibh sé dirithe go príomha ar dhearthóirí óga, bhain Déanta freisin le gach duine ar spéis leo dearadh na hÉireann. D'fheidhmigh an t-imeacht mar chruinníú de dhearthóirí gairmiúla, oideachasoirí dearaidh, agus taighdeoirí, agus thug deis le haghaidh plé agus diospóireachta maidir leis na ceisteanna a bhaineann le tionscal dearaidh na hÉireann. Ar na príomhchainteoirí bhí na dearthóirí/comhairleoírí duaiseora Éireannach Peter Sheehan as Peter Sheehan Studio, agus Seán McNulty, MDat Dolmen. I láthair freisin bhí ionadaite ó Fhiontar Éireann, Comhairle Ceirde na hÉireann agus Institiúid Dearthóirí na hÉireann a chuir comhairle agus eolas ar fáil maidir le smaointe dearaidh agus deiseanna maoinithe.

Tharla plé miondíola inar bhualt toscairí, neacha léinn agus baill foirne le miondíoltóirí ar líne Jonathan agus Mark Legge de chuid Makers and Brothers agus an Irish Design Shop. Taispeánadh dhá scannán ar an lá: gnéachlár faisnéise lánmhéid ar an nGlúaiseacht Maker agus a thionchar ar an tsochaí, cultúr agus geilleagar i SAM, agus an scannán Today a ghnóthaigh an duais don Best First Short Drama at this year's (2015) Galway Film Fleadh, directed by Connemara native Tristan Heanue.

Mar a deir Susan Rogers, Comh-Chomhordaitheoir Déanta agus léachtóir: “Is suntasach an t-imeacht é Déanta ar fhéilire ID15. Deis iontach é do dhearthóirí bailiú le chéile agus leas a bhaint as an eolas agus an taithí atá ag cuid de na hionadaithe is fearr i dtionscal an dearaidh.”

Pictiúr: C go D: Samantha Flaherty, riarthóir GMIT Leitir Fraic, Dermot O'Donovan, Ceann Roinne, agus Shauna Corroon, neach léinn tríu bliain, B.Sc i dTroscán agus Teicneolaíochta Adhmaid,



conference in GMIT Letterfrack

As part of Irish Design 2015 (ID15), a national year-long programme loring, promoting and celebrating Irish Design in every form, GMIT Letterfrack hosted a one-day conference on Friday, 30 October 2015, titled *Déanta: Irish Design from Concept to Manufacture to Market*.

The open event was addressed by a cross-discipline selection of designers who shared their

experiences of bringing designed products to market. While primarily aimed at young designers Déanta was also geared towards all interested in Irish design. The event functioned as a gathering of professional designers, design educators, and researchers, and provided an opportunity for discussion and debate around issues relating to today's Irish design industry.

Keynote speakers were award-winning Irish designers/design consultants Peter Sheehan of Peter Sheehan Studio, and Seán McNulty, MDat Dolmen. In attendance were representatives from Enterprise Ireland, the Crafts Council of Ireland and the Institute of Designers of Ireland who offered advice and information on design ideas and funding opportunities.

A retail discussion also took place where delegates, students and staff met with online retailers Jonathan and Mark Legge of Makers and Brothers and the Irish Design Shop. Two films were also screened on the day; *Maker* is a feature-length documentary on the Maker Movement and its impact on society, culture and economy in the US, and the film *Today* which won Best First Short Drama at this year's (2015) Galway Film Fleadh, directed by Connemara native Tristan Heanue.

Susan Rogers, Déanta Conference Co-ordinator and lecturer, says: “Déanta is a significant event on the ID15 calendar. It is a wonderful opportunity for designers to gather and benefit from the knowledge and experience of some of the best representatives of the design industry.

Picture: L to R: Samantha Flaherty, GMIT Letterfrack administrator, Dermot O'Donovan, Head of Department, and Shauna Corroon, third year student , B.Sc in Furniture and Wood Technology

Rannpháirtíocht Neacha Léinn agus Pobail 3.5

GMIT Mhaigh Eo chun na comórtais Cadhcóireachta Idir-Ollscoileanna 2016 a óstáil (5-7 Feabhra) – beidh 550 cadhcóir páirteach san imeacht rannpháirtíochta tríú leibhéal spóirt is mó

Tháinig na céaslóirí is fearr as gach cearn d'Éirinn le cheile i gCaisleán an Bharraigh i bhFeabhra nuair a d'óstaigh GMIT Mhaigh Eo na comórtais Cadhcóireachta Idir-

Ollscoileanna 2016, ceann de na himeachtaí rannpháirtíochta is mó i spórt tríú leibhéal in Éirinn. Ghlac breis is 550 neach léinn as coláistí ar fud na tíre páirt san imeacht trí lá a bhí ar siúl ón Aoine 5 go Domhnach 7 Feabhra.

Ar na himeachtaí bhí Cadhc-póló i linn snámha Chaisleán an Bharraigh agus an Rás Slalom ar Loch Lannach Dé hAoine, an rás Uisce Bháin ar Abhainn Claoídí maidin Dé Sathairn, Saorstíl ar Abhainn an Chláir i dTuaim san iarnóin Dé Sathairn, agus an finale mór agus oll-rannpháirtíocht fadraoin ar Loch Lannach, Caisleán an Bharraigh maidin Dé Dómhnaigh.

Deir Nigel Jennings, Oifigeach Spóirt GMIT Mhaigh Eo: "Cuirfidh an t-imeacht seo le cáil GMIT Mhaigh Eo mar chumhacht náisiúnta i réimse na gníomhaiochtaí eachtraíochta allamuigh agus neartóidh sé cáil mhéadaitheach Mhaigh Eo mar cheann scribe roghnach le haghaidh Gníomhaiochtaí Eachtraíochta Allamuigh."

Pictiúr: Iomaitheoirí in imeacht fadraoin idir-ollscoileanna roimhe sin.

Coillearnach bunaithe ag GMIT Leitir Fraic i gcomhar le Páirc Náisiúnta Chonamara

Tá coillearnach dhúchasach nua de chúig acra bunaithe ag GMIT Leitir Fraic i dtайлte Pháirc Náisiúnta Chonamara i gcomhar le PNC, Conamara Thiar agus grúpaí pobail áitiúla. Plandáladh an Choillearnach Dhúchasach Pobail ina bhfuil breis is 3,000 crann óg ag neacha léinn GMIT Leitir Fraic mar aon le baill foirne sna trí eagraíochta agus na grúpaí pobail. Bheartaigh Coiste Champais Ghais GMIT Leitir Fraic an tionscadal den chéad uair in 2013 le tacaíocht ó thionscnamh 'Aon Mhiliún Crann agus Lá' agus deontas Coillearnaí Dúchasaí na Roinne Talmhaiochta.

Rinneadh tuilleadh plandálá le linn an dá bhliain seo caite chun an choillearnach a athstoíl agus rinneadh cothabháil leanúnach chun cabhrú leis na crainn iad féin a bhunú. Cuimsíonn na crainn a plandáladh fearnóg, beith, sceach gheal, rós gildir, cuileann, dair, agus péine albanach.

Student and Community Engagement 3.5



GMIT Mayo to host 2016 Kayaking Intervarsities (5 - 7 Feb) - 550 kayakers to take part in biggest third-level sport participation event

The top paddlers from all over Ireland gathered in Castlebar during February when GMIT Mayo hosted the Kayaking Intervarsities 2016, one of the largest participation events in third level sport in Ireland. Over 550 students from colleges across

the country participated in the three-day competition which ran from Friday 5 to Sunday 7 February in a number of Castlebar and Tuam locations.

Events include the Kayak Polo in Castlebar Swimming Pool and the Slalom Race on Lough Lannagh on Friday, the White Water race on the Clydagh River on Saturday morning, the Freestyle on the Clare River in Tuam on Saturday afternoon, and the grand finale of the mass participation long-distance on Lough Lannagh, Castlebar, on Sunday morning.

Nigel Jennings, GMIT Mayo Sports Officer, says: "This event will further enhance GMIT Mayo's reputation as a national power in the realm of outdoor adventure activities and reinforce Mayo's growing reputation as the destination of choice for Outdoor Adventure Activities".

Picture: Competitors in a previous intervarsity's long distance event.



GMIT Letterfrack establishes new woodland with Connemara National Park

GMIT Letterfrack has established a new five-acre native woodland in the grounds of the Connemara National Park (CNP) in collaboration with the CNP, Connemara West and local community groups. The new Community Native Woodland comprised of over 3,000 saplings were planted by GMIT Letterfrack

students as well as staff in the three organisations and community groups. The project was first planned in 2013 by the GMIT Letterfrack Green Campus Committee with support from the 'One Million Trees and a Day' initiative and a Department of Agriculture Native Woodland grant.

Additional plantings took place during the last two years to restock the woodland, and there was continuous maintenance to help the trees get established. The species planted include alder, birch, whitethorn, guelder rose, holly, pendunculate oak and scots pine.

Deir Dermot O'Donovan, Ceann GMIT Leitir Fraic: Beidh an suíomh an-tábhachtach chun tacú leis an mbithéagsúlacht sa cheantar. Imreoidh sé ról i gceapadh carbóin agus feidhmeoidh sé mar thimpeallacht foghlama do na neacha léinn agus don phobal móir.

Sna blianta seo chugainn forbróidh GMIT Leitir Fraic acmhainní chun a chinntí go ndéanfar uasmhéadú ar acmhainneacht na coillearná ó thaobh pheirspictiocht an oideachais de. Iompórtálann Éire thart ar 95% den chrua-adhmaid a úsáidtear gach bláin agus cuidíonn an tionscadal seo le neacha léinn GMIT Leitir Fraic, a dhéanann speisialú in úsáid agus láimhseáil adhmaid i ndearadh troscán agus tionscadail teicneolaíochta, a thuiscint conas a fhobraíonn cráinn agus foraoiseacha agus an t-achar ama is gá chun go n-aibeoídh cráinn.

Agus an ribín á ghearradh ag oscailt fhoirmiúil na Coillearná Dúchasaí Pobail nua, C go D: Martin Kearney, GMIT, Janet O'Toole, Conamara Thiar, Duncan Stewart, craoltóir, Gníomháí Timpeallachta agus an t-aitlire, Ger O'Donnell, na Párceanna Náisiúnta agus Dúlra.

Cuireann ealaíontóirí le feasacht ar flulaingt imirceoirí le suiteán poiblí i Sráid an Phríomhgharda

Bhí áthas ar an Giddy Biddy Collective, grúpa ealaíontóirí de chuid na Gaillimhe atá bunaithe in GMIT, ar deonaigh iad le hiarratas le haghaidh Gaillimh 2020 Príomhchathair Eorpach an Chultúir, INFINITY a chur i láthair, tionscadal a d'eadar mar fhreagra ar cheisteanna na himirce éigeantáí san Eoraipl, d'oiche Chultúr na Gaillimhe, Dé hAoine, 18 Meán Fómhair 2015. Is é a bhí in INFINITY ná suiteán ranpháirteach ealaíne a bhaineann le feasacht shóisialta agus é diríthe ar fhreagairt phearsanta a spreagadh sa lucht féachana.

Coimeádán loinge 20 troigh a bhí sa suiteán agus é suite ar Shráid an Phríomhgharda, a mbíonn a lán daoine thart ann, i gCathair na Gaillimhe. Chuaign ochtar deonach isteach sa choimeádán Dé hAoine, 18 Meán Fómhair ar 11am áit ar fhan siad sa spás cúng i ndorchadas iomlán ar feadh cheithre huaire fichead go dtí 11am Dé Sathairn, 19 Meán Fómhair. Agus aithris á déanamh acu ar na cúinsí a fhéictear go laethúil sa nuacht idirnáisiúnta, ní raibh ag na deonaigh ach dhá líotar uisce agus gan ach leithreas iniompartha acu mar shláintíocht. Bhí sé dorcha agus ní raibh aon bhia ná teicneolaíochta sa spás.

Chuir na healaíontóirí de chuid GMIT Phillipa Maguire, David Leahy agus Yvonne Casburn an Giddy Biddy Collective ar bun agus ba é John Langan, ealaíontóir agus oideachasóir ag GMIT, a bhí á choimeád. De bhrí go raibh Gaillimh 2020 i mbun phróiseas an iarratais le bheith ina Cathair Eorpach Cultúir, theastaigh ón Giddy Biddy Collective tuiscint a mhéadú ar an íde a bhíonn roimh iospartaigh na himirce éigeantáí trasna na hEorpa, trí mheán na healaíne.

An t-ealaíontóir Phillipa Maguire agus í ag dul isteach sa choimeádán in éineacht lena Léachtóir Ealaíon Cruthaitheach GMIT/ coimeádaí, John Langan, agus ball foirne GMIT agus gníomhaí pobail & timpeallachta, Peter Butler.

Bhailigh cadhc ó Oideachas Allamuigh timpeall na hÉireann €11,000+ le haghaidh Console

Níorbh é samhradh Éireannach na bliana 2015 an ceann ab

Dermot O'Donovan, Head of GMIT Letterfrack, says: "The site will be hugely important to support biodiversity in the area. It will play its role in carbon sequestration and also act as a learning environment for students and the wider community."

"In the coming years GMIT Letterfrack will develop resources to ensure that the potential of the woodland is maximised from an educational perspective."

"Ireland imports approximately 95% of hardwoods consumed each year and this project helps students of GMIT Letterfrack, who specialise in the use and manipulation of wood in furniture design and technology projects, to understand how trees and forests develop and how long it takes for trees to mature."

Cutting the ribbon at the formal opening of the new Community Native Woodland, L to R. Martin Kearney, GMIT, Janet O'Toole, Connemara West, Duncan Stewart, broadcaster, environmentalist and architect, Ger O'Donnell, National Parks and Wildlife.

Artists raise awareness of migrant sufferings with public installation on Mainguard Street

The Giddy Biddy Collective, a Galway and GMIT-based artists group, volunteering with the Galway 2020 European Capital of Culture bid, were proud to present INFINITY, a project born in response to Europe's forced migration issues, for Galway's Culture night, Friday 18th September 2015. INFINITY, took the form of a participatory art installation centred on social awareness, aiming to provoke personal response from viewers.

The art installation took the form of a 20 foot shipping container located on Galway City's bustling Mainguard Street. Eight volunteers entered the container on Friday 18 September at 11am where they remained in the confined space in complete darkness for twenty four hours until 11am on Saturday, 19 September. Emulating the conditions which are now viewed daily in international news, the volunteers had only two litres of water and the only sanitation was a portable toilet. It was dark and there was no food or technology in the space.

The Giddy Biddy's collective was founded by GMIT artists Philippa Maguire, Derval Leahy and Yvonne Casburn, and was curated by John Langan, artist and educator at GMIT. As Galway 2020 was in the process of bidding to become European Capital of Culture, the Giddy Biddy Collective wanted to raise awareness of the plight faced daily by victims of forced migration across Europe, through the medium of art.

Artist Phillipa Maguire, entered the container along with her GMIT Creative Arts Lecturer in artist/ curator, John Langan and GMIT staff member and community & environmental activist Peter Butler.

Outdoor Education kayak around Ireland raised €11,000+ for Console

The Irish Summer of 2015 was not the most memorable weather wise but it did not hold back two graduates of the GMIT Mayo Outdoor Education & Leisure Programme,

fhearr ó thaobh na haimsire de ach Áineasa Fóillíochta GMIT Mhaigh Eo, Pearce O'Toole as an Spidéal agus Ruairí Leddy as Ros Comáin, tabhairt faoi thuras caidhc 1,5000km ar feadh chósta na hÉireann ar mhaithe leis an gcarthanás Console.

Tháinig an smaoineamh chun aibíochta le linn don bheirt chéimí a bheith ar cuairt ar Reykjavik na hÍoslainne (2014) ar eachtra trí sheachtaí san fhiantsas. Go hobann bhí Meitheamh buailte leo agus bhí a gcaidhceanna le ceannach fós acu. Ach a bhuí leis an dionghbáilteach agus an bhuanseasmhacht agus an t-ádh chuir siad chun bóthair agus cuireadh túis lena n-eachtra in Iúil.

Chuir na céaslóirí misniúla túis lena dturas in Iúil agus críoch leis i Meán Fómhair. Cé gur chuir drochaimsir isteach orthu lean siad ar aghaidh agus bhí áthas orthu faoin bhfáilte a fuair siad agus iad ag céaslu thart timpeall, bronntanais á bhfáil acu ó dhaoine ar an tsúl.

Bhailigh siad breis is €11,000 ar mhaithe le Console agus ar 15 Deireadh Fómhair d'fhill siad ar an Alma Mater chun labhairt faoina n-eispéaraíais leis na neacha léinn reatha ar an gclár Oideachas Allamúigh i gcampas GMIT Mhaigh Eo. Thug siad léiriú sleamhnáin agus cur i lathair agus bhí an seomra faoi dhraiocht.

"Ar nós an tsaoil bhual muid leis an ngliondar agus leis an duairceas le linn na heachtra."

Pictiúr: Pearce O'Toole agus Ruairí Leddy ag an gcríochláine sa Spidéal, tar éis a maratón 1,500km i gcadhc mórrhimpeall na hÉireann ar mhaithe le Console.

Bailiúchán 'Sleep out' eagraithe ag neacha léinn de chuid Cúram Sóisialta

Reáchtáil grúpa neach léinn as GMIT Mhaigh Eo 'Sleep out' Dé hAoine, 16 Deireadh Fómhair, i gCaisleán an Bharraigh ar mhaithe leis an gcarthanás Focus Ireland don lucht gan dídean. Theastaigh óna neacha léinn atá ar chláir chéime in Altranas agus Cúram Sóisialta cur le feasacht agus ciste don 'Shine a Light Night' don dream gan dídean a bhí ar siúl i mbailte agus sráidbhailte ar fud na hÉireann Dé hAoine, 16 Deireadh Fómhair. Bhí 'Sleep out' Chaisleán an Bharraigh ar siúl sa Meáin os comhair Theach na Cúirte agus Stáisiún na nGardaí.

Shocraigh neacha léinn GMIT leathanach gréasáin ionas go bhféadfadh le daoine síntiús a thabhairt ar líne. Is baill iad uile den Fhoireann Cur Chun Cinn Sláinte de chuid GMIT Mhaigh Eo, fobhrainse de Chumann Sláinte Mheabhrach Mhaigh Eo, a cuireadh ar bun anuraidh (in 2014).

Deir Sharon Lohan arb as Cluain Bú, Co, na Gaillimhe di agus neach léinn tríu bliain ar an gclár Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Staidéar Cúram Shóisialta Fheidhmigh gurb é 'Sleep out' an chéad imeacht dá gcuid den bhliain acadúil seo. I gcomhpháirtíocht le Shine a Light Night de chuid Focus Ireland, chodail an fhoireann iomlán mar aon le roinnt léachtóirí lasmuigh d'fhoinsífeasacht ar íde lucht dídean a mhéadú.



Pearce O'Toole from Spiddal and Ruairí Leddy from Roscommon, from embarking on a 1,500km kayak journey around the coast of Ireland for the charity Console.

The idea was hatched during the two graduates' visit to Reykjavik, Iceland, last September (2014) on a three week adventure in the wilds. Suddenly June was upon them and they had yet to buy their kayaks. However, determination, perseverance and luck got them underway and their adventure began in July.

The intrepid paddlers began their journey in July and finished in early September. Even though they were hampered by poor weather both pushed on and were delighted by the reception they received as they paddled around, receiving gifts from people along the way.

They raised over €11,000 for Console and on 15 October returned to their Alma Mater to share their experiences with current students of the Outdoor Education programme in the GMIT Mayo campus. They give a slide show and presentation holding the room enthralled.

"Like life we encountered highs and lows throughout our adventure."

Picture: Pearce O'Toole and Ruairí Leddy at the finish line in Spiddel, Galway, following their marathon 1,500km kayak around Ireland for Console

Social Care students organise 'Sleep out' fundraiser

A group of students from GMIT Mayo held a 'Sleep out' night on Friday, 16 October, in Castlebar in aid of the homeless charity Focus Ireland. The students, studying degree programmes in Nursing and Social Care and Business, wanted to raise awareness and funds for the 'Shine a Light Night' for the homeless taking place in towns and villages across Ireland on Friday, 16 October; The Castlebar 'Sleep out' took place in the Mall, opposite the Court House and Garda Station.

The GMIT students set up a webpage so that people can make a donation online. They are all members of the GMIT Mayo Student Mental Health Promotion Team, a sub-branch of the Mayo Mental Health Association, which was set up last year in 2014.

Sharon Lohan from Cloonboo, Co Galway, who is a third year student on the Bachelor of Science in Applied Social Care Studies programme, says the 'Sleep out' is their first event of this academic year. In partnership with Focus Ireland's Shine a Light Night, the whole team along with a few lectures slept out to raise awareness of the plight of homeless people."

Staitisticí Céimithe 4

Dámhachtainí Acadúla 4.1

GAILLIMH

Scoil na hInnealtóireachta

- Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Shíbhialta
 Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht in Innealtóireacht Shíbhialta
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Shíbhialta
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta
 Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i dTeicneolaíocht Ailtireachta
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta in Eacnamaíocht Foirgníochta agus Suirbhéireacht Cainníochta
 Ardteastas in Eolaíocht in Eacnamaíocht Foirgníochta agus Suirbhéireacht Cainníochta
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eacnamaíocht Foirgníochta agus Suirbhéireacht Cainníochta
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta
 Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta
 Máistir Eolaíochta i gCórais Chomhshaoil
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i gCórais Ríomhaire agus Fuinnimh
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Ríomhaire agus Leictreonach
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Ríomhaire agus Leictreonach
 Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht in Innealtóireacht Seirbhísí Leictreacha agus Uathoibrithé
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Seirbhísí Leictreacha agus Uathoibrithé
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Mheicniuil
 Ardteastas in Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Mheicniuil
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Mheicniúil
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Fuinnimh
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Fuinnimh
 Ard-Diplónma in Innealtóireacht i Mionsamhlú Faisnéise Foirgníochta (Leibhéal 8)*
 Céim Máistir Innealtóireachtas (trí Thaighde)
 Céim Dochtúir Fealsúnachta (trí Thaighde)

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Graduate Statistics 4

Academic Awards 4.1

GALWAY

School of Engineering

- 11 Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering
 3 Higher Certificate in Engineering in Civil Engineering
 13 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Civil Engineering
 4 Bachelor of Science in Architectural Technology
 2 Higher Certificate in Science in Architectural Technology
 7 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Architectural Technology
 6 Bachelor of Science in Construction Economics and Quantity Surveying
 1 Higher Certificate in Science in Construction Economics and Quantity Surveying
 11 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Construction Economics and Quantity Surveying
 7 Bachelor of Science in Construction Management
 4 Higher Certificate in Science in Construction Management
 15 Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Construction Management
 1 Master of Science in Environmental Systems
 4 Bachelor of Science in Computer and Energy Systems
 37 Bachelor of Engineering in Computer and Electronic Engineering
 18 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Computer and Electronic Engineering
 1 Higher Certificate in Engineering in Electrical Services and Automation Engineering
 8 Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Services and Automation Engineering
 21 Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering
 1 Higher Certificate in Engineering in Mechanical Engineering
 26 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Mechanical Engineering
 16 Bachelor of Engineering in Energy Engineering
 22 Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Energy Engineering
 5 Higher Diploma in Engineering in Building Information Modelling (Level 8)*
 1 Degree of Master of Engineering (by Research)
 1 Degree of Master of Science (by Research)

GAILLIMH

An Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaón - Lárionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha agus na Meáin; Roinn Oidhreachta agus Turasóireachta; Roinn Daonnachaí; Teangacha Feidhmeacha agus Cumarsáid

- Baitsiléir Ealaón i Staidéar Oidhreachta
- Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i Staidéar Oidhreachta
- Ardteastas i nGnó i dTurasóireacht
- Ardteastas i nGnó i mBainistíocht Turasóireachta (NANCHANG)
- Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Turasóireachta
- Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i Scannán & Clár Faisnéise
- Baitsiléir Ealaón in Ealaín agus Dearadh
- Baitsiléir Ealaón in Ealaín & Dearadh – Foghlaim Sholúbtha
- Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i Mínealaín
- Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i nDearadh i dTeicstílí
- Céim Máistir Ealaón (trí Thaighde)
- Céim Dochtúir Fealsúnachta
- Ard-Diplóma in Ealaín i nGaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán

GALWAY

College of Tourism and Arts - Centre for the Creative Arts and Media; Department of Heritage and Tourism; Department of Humanities, Applied Languages and Communications

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| 16 | Bachelor of Arts in Heritage Studies |
| 16 | Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Heritage Studies |
| 9 | Higher Certificate in Business in Tourism |
| 43 | Higher Certificate in Business in Tourism Management (NANCHANG) |
| 18 | Bachelor of Business in Tourism Management |
| 29 | Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Film and Documentary |
| 51 | Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design |
| 10 | Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design – Flexible Learning |
| 36 | Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Fine Art |
| 10 | Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Design In Textiles |
| 1 | Degree of Master of Arts (by Research) |
| 1 | Degree of Doctor of Philosophy |
| 7 | Ard Diplóma san Ealaón i nGaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán |

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GAILLIMH

Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaíona – Roinn na nEalaíon Cócaireachta; Roinn na dTionscal Seirbhise

- Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Óstáin agus Lónadóireachta
- Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Óstáin agus Lónadóireachta
- Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Beáir
- Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Beáir agus Bialainne
- Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Ealaíona Cócaireachta
- Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Ealaíona Cócaireachta
- Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Ealaíona Cócaireachta - Foghlaim Sholúbtha
- Ardteastas in Ealaíona in Ealaíona Cócaireachta
- Baitsiléir Gnó i Miondíolachán agus Bainistíocht Seirbhise Custaiméara
- Ardteastas i nGnó i Miondíolachán agus Bainistíocht Seirbhise Custaiméara
- Baitsileir Gnó i mBainistíocht Imeachta le Caidreamh Poiblí
- Ardteastas i nGnó i mBainistíocht Imeachta le Caidreamh Poiblí
- Ardteastas in Ealaíona i Staidéar Fáilteachais
- Ardteastas in Ealaíona i Maoirseacht Beáir

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GALWAY

College of Tourism and Arts – Department of Culinary Arts; Department of The Service Industries

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| 15 | Bachelor of Business in Hotel and Catering Management |
| 42 | Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Hotel and Catering Management |
| 1 | Bachelor of Business in Bar Management |
| 7 | Bachelor of Business in Bar and Restaurant Management |
| 20 | Bachelor of Business in Culinary Arts Management |
| 14 | Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Culinary Arts Management |
| 15 | Bachelor of Arts in Culinary Arts – Flexible Learning |
| 49 | Higher Certificate in Arts in Culinary Arts |
| 12 | Bachelor of Business in Retail and Customer Service Management |
| 1 | Higher Certificate in Business in Retail and Customer Service Management |
| 44 | Bachelor of Business in Event Management with Public Relations |
| 2 | Higher Certificate in Business in Event Management with Public Relations |
| 5 | Higher Certificate in Arts in Hospitality Studies |
| 4 | Higher Certificate in Arts in Bar Supervision |

Dámhachtainí QQI FET

- Ardteastas Leibhéal 6 i gCócaireacht Ghairmiúil (Cúrsa Oiliúna i gCócaireacht Ghairmiúil)
- Ardteastas Leibhéal 6 i gCócaireacht Ghairmiúil (Clár Lántumtha Cócaire – TICP)

QQI FET Awards

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| 11 | Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Professional Cookery (Traineeship in Professional Cookery) |
| 16 | Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Professional Cookery (Total Immersion Chef Programme - TICP) |

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GAILLIMH*Scoil na hEolaíochta agus na Ríomhaireachta*

Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht Ghnó agus Meáin Dhigiteacha
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i dTeicneolaíocht Faisnéise do Ghnó
 Ardeastas in Eolaíocht i Ríomhaireacht i bhForbairt Bogearrai (NANCHANG)
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht i bhForbairt Bogearrai
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhForbairt Bogearrai
 Ard-Diplóma in Eolaíocht i bhForbairt Bogearrai
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Fionnuisce agus Mara
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Fionnuisce agus Mara
 Ardeastas in Eolaíocht i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Fionnuisce agus Mara
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíocht Bhithchógaíocht
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíocht Bhithchógaíocht
 Ardeastas in Eolaíocht i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíocht Bhithchógaíocht
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta in Eolaíocht Cheimiceach agus Chógaisíocha
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eolaíocht Cheimiceach agus Chógaisíocha
 Ardeastas in Eolaíocht in Eolaíocht Cheimiceach agus Chógaisíocha
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i bhFisic agus Ionstraimíocht
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhFisic agus Ionstraimíocht
 Ardeastas in Eolaíocht i bhFisic agus Ionstraimíocht
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eolaíocht Phóireánseach agus Anailís
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eolaíocht Leighis
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i dTalmhaíocht agus Bainistíocht Chomhshaoil
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhFiontar Tuaithe agus Bainistíocht Chomhshaoil
 Ardeastas in Eolaíocht i dTalmhaíocht agus Bainistíocht Chomhshaoil
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i gCáiliocht do Thionsclaíocht
 Céim Máistir (trí Thaighde)
 Céim Dochtúir Fealsúnachta

GALWAY*School of Science and Computing*

28	Bachelor of Science in Business Computing and Digital Media
17	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Information Technology for Business
43	Higher Certificate in Science in Computing in Software Development (NANCHANG)
49	Bachelor of Science in Computing in Software Development
28	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Software Development
21	Higher Diploma in Science in Software Development
9	Bachelor of Science in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology
19	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology
1	Higher Certificate in Science in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology
21	Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science
46	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science
3	Higher Certificate in Science in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science
13	Bachelor of Science in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Science
9	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Science
2	Higher Certificate in Science in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Science
3	Bachelor of Science in Physics and Instrumentation
7	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Physics and Instrumentation
1	Higher Certificate in Science in Physics and Instrumentation
12	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Forensic Science and Analysis
22	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Medical Science
34	Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and Environmental Management
20	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Rural Enterprise and Environmental Management
1	Higher Certificate in Science in Agriculture and Environmental Management
9	Bachelor of Science in Quality for Industry
1	Degree of Master of Science (by Research)
1	Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

GAILLIMH

An Scoil Ghnó

Baitsiléir Gnó	
Ardteastas i nGnó	
Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha)	
Baitsiléir Gnó i bhFiontar Tuaithe agus Agra-ghnó	
Baitsiléir Gnó i Riarachán agus Córáis Faisnéise	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Chórás Faisnéise	
Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha) i gCuntasaíocht	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon i mBainistíocht Acmhainní Daonna – Foghlaim Sho-lúbtha	
Dioplóma Iarchéime i gCuntasaíocht	
ACCA Leibhéal Gairmiúil	

GALWAY

School of Business

65	Bachelor of Business
2	Higher Certificate in Business
103	Bachelor of Business (Honours)
27	Bachelor of Business in Rural Enterprise and Agri-Business
26	Bachelor of Business in Administration and Information Systems
12	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Information Systems Management
44	Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Accounting
1	Bachelor of Arts in Human Resource Management - Flexible Learning
14	Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting
3	ACCA Professional Level

297

Galway - Total Awards

Galway - Total Awards

40

LEITIR FRAIC

An Scoil Ghnó

Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i nDearadh agus Déantúsaíocht Troscáin	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i nDearadh agus Déantúsaíocht Troscáin	
Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht i nDearadh agus Déantúsaíocht Troscáin	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i dTeicneolaíocht Troscáin agus Adhmaid	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i dTeicneolaíocht Troscáin agus Adhmaid	
Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht i dTeicneolaíocht Troscáin agus Adhmaid	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Oideachas Dearaidh agus Teicneolaíocha	

LETTERFRACK

School of Business

16	Bachelor of Science in Furniture Design and Manufacture
8	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Furniture Design and Manufacture
1	Higher Certificate in Engineering in Furniture Design and Manufacture
7	Bachelor of Science in Furniture and Wood Technology
5	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Furniture and Wood Technology
2	Higher Certificate in Engineering in Furniture and Wood Technology
16	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Design and Technology Education

55

Leitir Fraic - Dámhachtainí Iomlána

Letterfrack - Total Awards

55

MAIGH EO

Baitsiléir Gnó	
Ardteastas i nGnó	
Ardteastas i nGnó i bhFeidhmchláir Ríomhaire	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon i gCuntasáiocht agus Bainistíocht Airgeadais	
Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha)	
Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha) i gCuntasáiocht	
Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i dTacaíocht Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta Meáin Dhigiteacha agus Sochaí	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Riarachán Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Seirbhísí Ríomhaire	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i dTeicneolaíochta Inbhuanaithe	
Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta in Athchóiriú agus Cothabhála	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Altranas Síciatrach	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Altranas Ginearálta	
Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Altranas	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon i Staidéar Feidhmeach Sóisialta	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i gCúram Feidhmeach Sóisialta	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon i Staidéar Oidhreachta	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i Staidéar Oidhreachta	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Oideachas Allamuigh agus Fóillíochta le Tíreolaíocht	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Oideachas Allamuigh agus Fóillíochta	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) in Oideachas Allamuigh	
Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Ealaín agus Dearadh – Foghlaim Sholúbtha	

21	Bachelor of Business
1	Higher Certificate in Business
3	Higher Certificate in Business in Computer Applications
12	Bachelor of Arts in Accounting and Financial Management
14	Bachelor of Business (Honours)
17	Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Accounting
15	Higher Certificate in Science in Information Technology Support
1	Bachelor of Science in Digital Media and Society
10	Bachelor of Science in Information Technology Administration
7	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Information Technology Services Management
5	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Sustainable Building Technology
1	Higher Certificate in Science in Construction Management in Refurbishment and Maintenance
11	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Psychiatric Nursing
25	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in General Nursing
2	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Nursing
52	Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies
29	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Care
10	Bachelor of Arts in Heritage Studies
10	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Heritage Studies
7	Bachelor of Arts in Outdoor Education and Leisure with Geography
31	Bachelor of Arts in Outdoor Education and Leisure
19	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Outdoor Education
10	Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design – Flexible Learning

313

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IOMLÁN NA NIOMLÁN**313 Mayo - Total Awards****IOMLÁN NA NIOMLÁN****1836 OVERALL TOTAL**

Comhalaíochtaí Oinigh bronnta ag GMIT ar bheirt sárdhaoine le linn na searmanas Bronnta Céime 2016

John Crumlish

POF Fhéile Ealaíne Idirnáisiúnta na Gaillimhe mar aitheantas ar an gcion ollmhór a thug sé do na healaiona agus don chultúr san larthar

John Muldoon

Captaen Rugbaí Chonnacht agus céimí de chuid GMIT mar aitheantas ar a mhórchion do rugbaí agus spórt

Comhalaíochtaí Oinigh Bronnta ag GMIT ar thríúr sárdhaoine le linn na searmanas Bronnta Céime 2015

Donagh O'Donoghue

Ball céimiúil i bpobal gnó na Gaillimhe ar feadh na mblianta – a onóraíodh as a chion suntasach don oideachas, gnó agus forbairt réigiúnach.

Matt Molloy

Ceoltóir de chuid na Chieftains a bhfuil clú domhanda air - a onóraíodh as a chion do cheol agus chultúr na hÉireann.

Michael O'Neill

Stiúrthóir bunaidh Chonamara Thiar - a onóraíodh as a thiomantas d'fheabhsú a phobail agus réigiún Chonamara Thiar Thuaidh tríd an mbaint a bhí aige leis an oideachas agus cur chun cinn chultúr agus spóirt.

GMIT presents Honorary Fellowships to two outstanding individuals during the Graduation 2016 ceremonies

John Crumlish

CEO of the Galway International Art Festival in recognition of his vast contribution to arts and culture in the West.

John Muldoon

Connacht Rugby Captain and GMIT graduate in recognition of his major contribution to rugby and sport.

GMIT presents Honorary Fellowships to three outstanding individuals during the Graduation 2015 ceremonies

Donagh O'Donoghue

Prominent member of the Galway business community for many decades - was honoured for his significant contribution to education, business and regional development.

Matt Molloy

Internationally acclaimed musician of The Chieftains - was honoured for his significant contribution to Irish music and culture.

Michael O'Neill

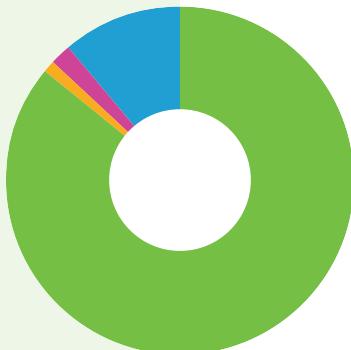
Founding Director of Connemara West - was honoured for his dedication to the betterment of his community and the region of Northwest Connemara through his involvement in education and promotion of culture and sport.

Enrolment Statistics

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Clárúchán Neacha Léinn

Lánaimseartha Tríú Leibhéal	86%
Dara Leibhéal Ceirde	1%
Printíseadh Innealtóireachta	2%
Páirtaimseartha agus Tráthnóna	11%

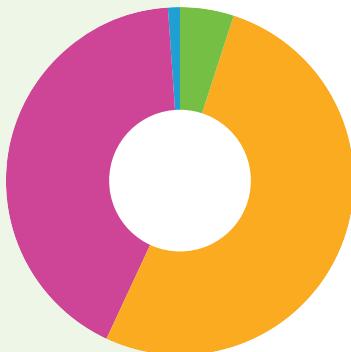


Student Enrolment

Full-time Third Level	86%
Second Level Craft	1%
Engineering Apprentices	2%
Part-Time and Evening	11%

Clárúchán 3ú Leibhéal
Lánaimseartha de Réir Leibhéal
Dámhachtaine

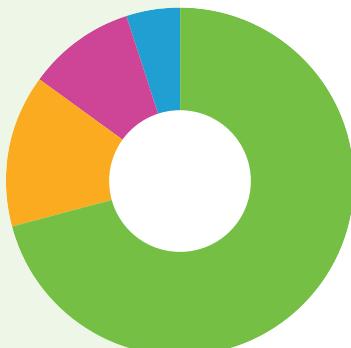
Ardteastais	5%
Gnáthchéimeanna	52%
Céimeanna Onóracha	42%
Iarchéimeanna	1%

Full-time 3rd Level Enrolments by
Level of Award

43

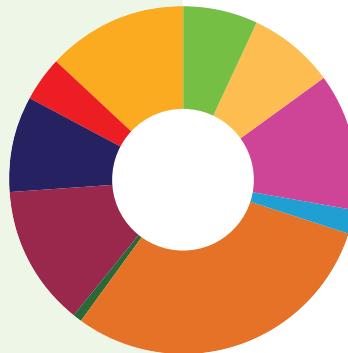
Bunús Baile Lánaimseartha
3ú Leibhéal

Connachta	71%
Laighin	14%
Mumhain	10%
Ulaidh	5%

Domiciliary Origin
Full-time 3rd Level

Clárúcháin 3ú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha Fireann

Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht, Iascach agus Tréidliacht	7%
Ealaíona agus Daonnachaí	8%
Gnó, Riarachán agus Dlí	13%
Oideachas	2%
Innealtóireacht, Déantúsaiocht agus Foirgniocht	30%
Sláinte agus Leas	1%
Teicneolaíochtaí Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide	13%
Eolaiocht Nádúrtha, Matamaitic agus Staitisticí	9%
Eolaiocht Shóisialta, Iriseoireacht agus Faisnéis	4%
Seirbhísí	13%

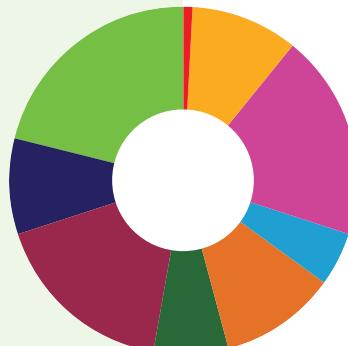


Full-time Enrolments Third Level Male

Agriculture, forestry, fisheries and veterinary	7%
Arts and Humanities	8%
Business, administration and Law	13%
Education	2%
Engineering, Manufacturing and Construction	30%
Health and Welfare	1%
Information and Communication Technologies	13%
Natural Science, mathematics and statistics	9%
Social Science, Journalism and Information Services	13%

Clárúcháin 3ú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha Baineann

Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht, Iascach agus Tréidliacht	1%
Ealaíona agus Daonnachaí	10%
Gnó, Riarachán agus Dlí	19%
Innealtóireacht, Déantúsaiocht agus Foirgniocht	5%
Sláinte agus Leas	11%
Teicneolaíochtaí Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide	7%
Eolaiocht Nádúrtha, Matamaitic agus Staitisticí	17%
Eolaiocht Shóisialta, Iriseoireacht agus Faisnéis	9%
Seirbhísí	21%



Full-time Enrolments Third Level Female

Agriculture, forestry, fisheries and veterinary	1%
Arts and Humanities	10%
Business, administration and Law	19%
Engineering, Manufacturing and Construction	5%
Health and Welfare	11%
Information and Communication Technologies	7%
Natural Science, mathematics and statistics	17%
Social Science, Journalism and Information Services	21%

Clárúcháin 3ú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha de Réir Disciplín

Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht, Iascach agus Tréidliacht	4.6%
Ealaíona agus Daonnachaí	8.8%
Gnó, Riarachán agus Dlí	15.2%
Oideachas	1.1%
Innealtóireacht, Déantúsaiocht agus Foirgniocht	20.7%
Sláinte agus Leas	5.2%
Teicneolaíochtaí Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide	10.8%
Eolaiocht Nádúrtha, Matamaitic agus Staitisticí	11.8%
Eolaiocht Shóisialta, Iriseoireacht agus Faisnéis	5.9%
Seirbhísí	15.9%

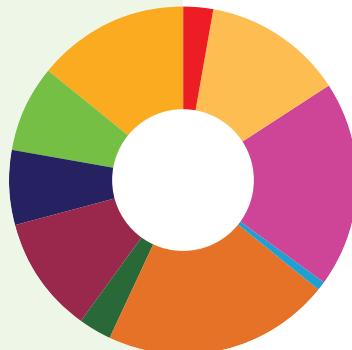


Full-time Third Level Enrolments by Discipline

Agriculture, forestry, fisheries and veterinary	4.6%
Arts and Humanities	8.8%
Business, administration and Law	15.2%
Education	1.1%
Engineering, Manufacturing and Construction	20.7%
Health and Welfare	5.2%
Information and Communication Technologies	10.8%
Natural Science, mathematics and statistics	11.8%
Social Science, Journalism and Information Services	5.9%
Services	15.9%

Céimithe Tríú Leibhéal de Réir Disciplín

Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht, Iascach agus Tréidliacht	3%
Ealaíona agus Daonnachtaí	13%
Gnó, Riarachán agus Dlí	19%
Oideachas	1%
Innealtóireacht, Déantúsaíocht agus Foirgníocht	21%
Sláinte agus Leas	3%
Teicneolaiochtaí Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide	11%
Eolaíocht Nádúrtha, Matamaitic agus Staitisticí	7%
Eolaíocht Shóisialta, Iriseoireacht agus Faisnéis	8%
Seirbhisi	14%

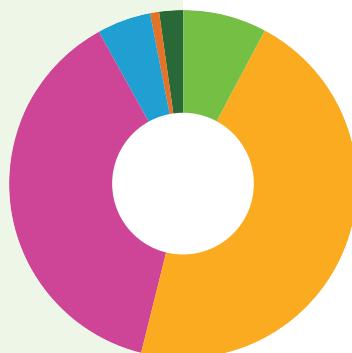


Third Level Graduates by Discipline

Agriculture, forestry, fisheries and veterinary	3%
Arts and Humanities	13%
Business, administration and law	19%
Education	1%
Engineering, Manufacturing and construction	21%
Health and Welfare	3%
Information and Communication Technologies	11%
Natural sciences, mathematics and statistics	7%
Social sciences, journalism and information	8%
Services	14%

Third Level Graduates by Level of Award

Ardteastas	8%
Gnáthchéim	46%
Céim Onóracha	38%
Dámhachtainí Sainchuspóireacha	5%
Ard-Diplóna	1%
Iarchéim	2%



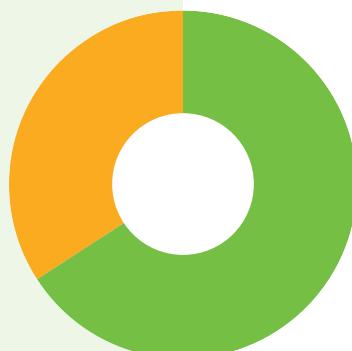
Third Level Graduates by Level of Award

Higher Certificate	8%
Ordinary Degree	46%
Honours Degree	38%
Special Purpose Awards	5%
Higher Diploma	1%
Postgraduate	2%

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Clárúcháin Cheirde Dara Leibhéal de Réir Cúrsa

Ardeastas i gCócaireacht Ghairmiúil - Cúrsa Oiliúna	66%
Ardeastas i gClár Lántumtha Cócaire	34%



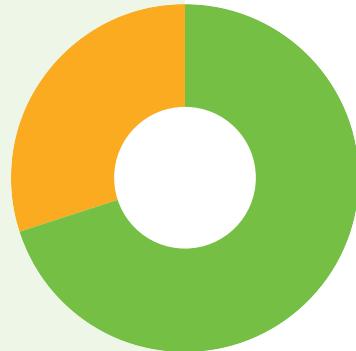
Second Level Craft Enrolments by Course

Advanced certificate in professional cookery traineeship	66%
Advanced certificate in total immersion chef programme	34%

Clárúcháin Cheirde Lánaimseartha
Dara Leibhéal de Réir Inscne

Fireann
Baineann

70%
30%



Wholetime Second Level Craft
Enrolments by Gender

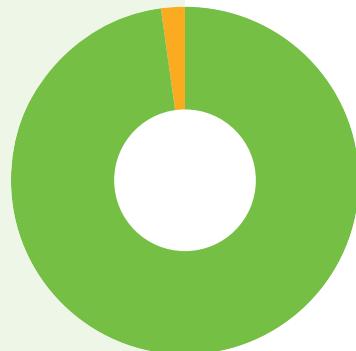
Male
Female

70%
30%

Enrolments in Engineering Trades
by Gender

46
Fireann
Baineann

98%
2%



Enrolments in Engineering Trades
by Gender

Male
Female

98%
2%

Scoláireachtaí agus Sparánachtaí Spóirt 4.3

Sporting Scholarships and Bursaries 4.3

Gaillimh

Daniel Nevin	Iománaíocht
Darragh Burke	Iománaíocht
David Conroy	Iománaíocht
Maria Brehony	Camógaíocht
Evan McGrath	Peil Ghaelach
Fionán Duffy	Peil Ghaelach
Joseph Donnelan	Peil Ghaelach
Conor Byrne	Sacar
Eimhin Gayner	Boghdóireacht
Laura Fabriciusa	Cispheil na mBan
Abigail Doherty	Peil na mBan
Ciara Gorman	Peil na mBan

Galway

Daniel Nevin	Hurling
Darragh Burke	Hurling
David Conroy	Hurling
Maria Brehony	Camogie
Evan McGrath	Football
Fionán Duffy	Football
Joseph Donnelan	Football
Conor Byrne	Soccer
Eimhin Gayner	Archery
Laura Fabriciusa	Ladies Basketball
Abigail Doherty	Ladies Football
Ciara Gorman	Ladies Football

Campus Mhaigh Eo

Dylan Carney	Surfáil
Aoife Peters	Cicdhornálaíocht
Owen Hoare	Sacar/Peil Ghaelach
Karel Ntumba	Sacar
Seán Paul McMahon	Sacar

Mayo Campus

Dylan Carney	Surfing
Aoife Peters	Kickboxing
Owen Hoare	Soccer/Gaelic Football
Karel Ntumba	Soccer
Sean Paul McMahon	Soccer

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Campus Leitir Fraic

Seán Hogan	Iománaíocht
Conor Jennings	Iománaíocht
Craig Shannon	Peil Ghaelach
Jamie Holland	Iománaíocht
Eoin O'Connell	Peil Ghaelach
Lorcan Gibney	Peil Ghaelach
Brendan Tuffy	Peil Ghaelach
Conor White	Peil Ghaelach

Letterfrack Campus

Seán Hogan	Hurling
Conor Jennings	Hurling
Craig Shannon	Gaelic Football
Jamie Holland	Hurling
Eoin O'Connell	Gaelic Football
Lorcan Gibney	Gaelic Football
Brendan Tuffy	Gaelic Football
Conor White	Gaelic Football

Éachtaí Neacha Léinn 4.4

Gnóthaíonn Dáire Ní Chatháin as Co. an Chláir scoláireacht Intel i dTeicneolaíocht na mBan

Ghnóthaigh neach léinn Forbartha Bogearraí céad bhliana de chuid GMIT Scoláireacht Intel na mBan i dTeicneolaíocht a bhfuil an-tóir air. Bhí Dáire Ní Chatháin as Cill Mháille, Co. an Chláir ar dhuine de sheachtar faigheoirí ar bhronn an tAire Oideachais agus Scileanna, Jan O’Sullivan scoláireachtaí 2015 orthu, ag fáiltiú i Luimneach ar 1 Deireadh Fómhair.

Is as Ollscoil Luimnigh, NUI Gaillimh agus Coláiste Ollscoile Baile Átha Cliath iad an seisear faigheoirí eile, agus thug siad go léir faoi chlár fhochéime i gcúrsaí atá dírithe ar an teicneolaíocht amhail Innealtóireacht Leictreonaice agus Ríomhaireachta agus Eolaíocht Ríomhaire.

Chuala Dáire, atá ag staidéar ar an mBaitsileir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireachta agus Forbairt Bogearraí, faoin gclár scoláireachta trína Treoirchomhairleoir sa mheánscoil. “Próiseas trí chéim a bhí ann, i dtosach foirm ar nós aiste le comhlánú, agallamh teileafóin agus ar deireadh agallamh aghaidh ar aghaidh in Intel sa tSionainn. Bhí an-spéis agam i gcónaí sa teicneolaíocht agus labhair mé faoi sin le linn an phróiseas agallaimh. D’inis mé do na roghnóirí faoi na tionscadail a bhí curtha i gcrích agam san am saor a bhí agam amhail ciorcaid a thógáil, róbat beag a chruthaigh mé agus an códú a bhí déanta agam. Thar aon rud eile léirigh mé an dúil atá agam i bhfoghlaím agus forbairt na teicneolaíochta. Is mór liom an scoláireacht seo a ghnóthú. Tugann gné an airgid cuid mhaith saorise dom, rud a mhaolaíonn ar strus buiséadaithe, ionas gur féidir liom diríú go hiomlán ar an staidéar. Tugadh meantóir dom atá ag obair ag Intel chun cuiдиú liom dul chun cinn. Anuas air sin, agus an rud is spreagúla ar fad faoi, gheobhaidh mé deis socrúchán oibre a dhéanamh le hIntel le linn roinnt samhradh seo chugainn, agus beidh mé ag obair le foireann chun teicneolaíochtaí nua agus nuálacha a chruthú.”

Déanann léachtóir Dáire, Gerry Agnew, comhghairdeas le Dáire ar í a bheith roghnaithe mar Scoláire Intel ‘Mná sa Teicneolaíocht’.

Mick Hennessy agus Sandra Rivera de chuid Intel na Sionainne agus iad ag bronnadh a Scoláireacht Intel Mná sa Teicneolaíocht ar Dháire Ní Chatháin (sa lár), neach léinn Forbartha Bogearraí de chuid GMIT.

Léachtóir le fáilteachas de chuid GMIT sa céad áit i gclár mórchluíteach idirnáisiúnta seirise (sherry)

Bronnadh duais speisialta ar an léachtóir le fáilteachas in GMIT as an toradh is airde sa Chlár d’Oideachasóirí

Student Achievements 4.4

Daire Ní Chatháin from Clare wins Intel Women in Technology scholarship

A first year GMIT Software Development student won a coveted Intel Women in Technology Scholarship. Daire Ní Chatháin from Kilmaley, Co Clare, was one of seven recipients to be presented with the 2015 scholarships by the Minister for Education and Skills, Jan O’Sullivan, at a reception in Limerick on 1 October.

The six other recipients are from University of Limerick, NUI Galway and University College Dublin, and all embarked on undergraduate programmes in technology-focused courses such as Electronic and Computer Engineering and Computer Science.



Daire, who is studying the Bachelor of Science in Computing in Software Development, found out about the scholarship programme through her Guidance Counsellor in secondary school. “There was a three step process, firstly an essay-type form to be filled out, a telephone interview and finally a face to face interview in Intel Shannon. I have always had a keen interest in technology and spoke about this throughout the interview process. I told the selectors about projects I had completed in my free time such as building circuits, a small robot I created and coding I had done. Above all, I believe I just showed my enthusiasm to learn and develop new technology.”

“Winning this scholarship means a lot to me. The financial aspect grants me quite a lot of freedom which eases the strain of budgeting, so that I can concentrate fully on my studies. I’ve also been allocated a mentor who is a worker at Intel, to help me along the way. On top of all this, and the most exciting thing, is that I will receive a chance to do work placement with Intel over the next few summers, working with a team to create new and innovative technologies.”

Daire’s lecturer, Gerry Agnew, congratulates Daire on her selection as an Intel ‘Women in Technology’ Scholar. Mick Hennessey and Sandra Rivera of Intel Shannon, presenting Daire Ni Chathain (centre), GMIT Software Development students, with her Intel Women in Technology Scholarship.

GMIT hospitality lecturer top of class of prestigious international sherry programme

GMIT hospitality lecturer Elizabeth Fox has been awarded a special prize for the highest result in the World Certified Sherry Educators Programme in Spain. 25 professionals

Teastaithe Domhanda Seirise sa Spáinn. Tháinig 25 den lucht gairmiúil as an domhan uile le chéile in Jerez i nDeireadh Fómhair le cáiliú mar Oideachasóiri Teastaithe Seirise.

Pictiúr: Elizabeth Fox in éineacht le Beltran Domecq, Uachtarán DO Seiris Jerez-Xérès agus Manzanilla-Sanlúcar de Barrameda agus Cesar Saldaña.

Tugann Comhairle Rialála Seirise cuireadh do shaineolaithe tionscail as gach cearn den domhan chuig an gclár mórchluíteach seo gach bliain, a thairgeann ardseisiún theoríciúla agus phraicticiúla le linn trí lá. Cinneann dianteist measúnaithe cé acu de na neacha léinn a gheobhaidh dioplóma chun oibriú mar Ambasadóir Seirise.

Is saineolá dí í Elizabeth Fox, ar léachtóir i gColáiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaón de chuid GMIT í, agus taithí leathan aici i gcúrsaí gnó agus in oideachais. D'oibrigh sí i bpoist shinsearacha bainistíochta dí in earnáil an ghnó cheadúnaithe ar feadh na mblianta.

Agus í ina ball de Chuallacht Sommelier na hÉireann, tá Dioplóma WSET ag Elizabeth i bhFionta agus Biotáillí agus is saineolá aitheanta í i staidéir fiona, staidéar comhaimseartha beorach, biotáillí agus deochanna agus scileanna seirbhise.

Ag labhaint di tar éis di buachaíl, dúirt Elizabeth: "Tá gliondar an domhain orm an gradam seo a fháil ó chlár chomh mórchúíteach sin. B'fhéidir go meastar tomhaltas seirise faoina luach in Éirinn agus tá súil agam trí bheith i mo Ambasadóir Seirise gur féidir liom an focal a chur amach faoin mblás agus an scléandar thar lear a bhaineann leis an deoch abhus."

An phríomhdhuais infhostaitheachta buaite ag GMIT don Modúl 'The Next Step – Transitioning to the Workplace'

Sa phictiúr, C go D: Bridie Killoran, Oifigeach Gairmeacha, GMIT, le Laoise Ní Fhlaithearta as Ros a' Mhíl (sa lá), neach léinn na bliana deiridh ar an BA (Onóracha) i mBainistíochta Córás Faisnéise, sa Scioil Ghnó, agus Daniel Duignan, céimí B.Eng (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht Shíbhialta, a ndearna an bheirt díobh an modúl roghnach Gairmeacha de chuid GMIT 'The Next Step – Transitioning to the Workplace'.

Tá aitheantas náisiúnta bainte amach ag modúl GMIT a chuidíonn le neacha léinn na bliana deiridh ullmhú don láthair oibre. Ghnóthaigh an modúl 'The Next Step – Transitioning to the Workplace' Gradam Infhostaitheachta



from around the world gathered in Jerez in October to qualify as Sherry Certified Educators.

Picture: Elizabeth Fox with Beltran Domecq, President of the DO Jerez-Xérès-Sherry and Manzanilla-Sanlúcar de Barrameda and Cesar Saldaña

Sherry's Regulatory Council invites industry experts from all over the world to this prestigious programme every year, which offers advanced theoretical and practical sessions over the course of three days. An intense evaluation test determines which students receive a diploma to work as a certified Sherry Ambassador.

Elizabeth Fox, who lectures in the GMIT College of Tourism and Arts, is a beverage specialist with extensive experience both in trade and education, and has held senior beverage management positions in the licensed trade sector for decades.

A member of the Irish Guild of Sommeliers, Elizabeth holds a WSET Diploma in Wines and Spirits and is a well-known expert in wine studies, contemporary beer studies, spirits and liquors and service skills.

Speaking after her win, Elizabeth said "I'm absolutely delighted to receive this award from such a prestigious programme. Sherry consumption may be under-estimated in Ireland and I hope by becoming a Sherry Ambassador I can spread the word, taste and overseas excitement surrounding the beverage here."



GMIT wins top employability award for 'The Next Step - Transitioning to the Workplace Module'

Pictured, L to R: Bridie Killoran, Careers Officer, GMIT, with Laoise Ní Fhlaithearta from Rossaveal (centre), a final year student on the BA (Hons) Information Systems Management, School of Business, and Daniel Duignan, a graduate of the B.Eng (Hons) in Civil Engineering, both of whom took the GMIT elective Careers module 'The Next Step - Transitioning to the Workplace'.

A GMIT module that helps final year students prepare for the workplace has received national recognition. 'The Next Step - Transitioning to the Workplace Module' has won the Association for Higher Education Career Services (AHECS) Employability Award at the GradIreland Recruitment Awards 2015, held in the Mansion House, Dublin, on 30 April. The module takes an innovative and creative approach to preparing students for the transition to the workplace by involving employers in the region, past graduates of GMIT and external

Chumann na Seirbhísí Ardoideachais ag Gradaim GradIreland Recruitment 2015, a reáchtáladh i dTeach an Ard-Mhéara, Baile Átha Cliath, ar 30 Aibreán. Is cur chuige nuálach agus cruthaitheach atá sa modúl chun neacha léinn a réiteach don aistriú go dtí an láthair oibre trí fhostóirí sa réigiún, iarchéimithe de chuid GMIT agus comhairleoirí seachtracha earcaíochta a bheith bainteach le cuid mhaith gnéithe den modúl. Cuimsíonn sé físeáin ghairmiúla CVanna agus R-fhillteáin lena gcuimsiú ar LinkedIn agus meáin eile shóisialta, bréagagallaimh earcaíochta le saineolaithe as an tionsclaiocht agus imeachtaí lónraithe do neacha léinn agus ionadaithe tionscail.

Ba iad Bridie Killoran, Oifigeach Gairmeacha GMIT, Carmel Brennan, Ceann na Roinne Gnó, Siobhaun Cawley, léachtóir i Roinn na hInnealtóireachta Foirgníochta & Sibhialta, agus Lorna Moynihan, léachtóir sa Scoil Ghnó a dhear agus a d'fhorbair an modúl 5-chreidiúint.

Seoladh é i dtosach ar bhonn píolótach do neacha léinn na bliana deiridh i mBainistíocht Córas Faisnéise in GMIT trí bliana ó shin. D'éirigh chomh maith sin leis gur leathnáodh é do na neacha léinn ar gach clár i Roinn na hInnealtóireachta Foirgníochta & Sibhialta an bhliain dar gcionn. Faoi láthair riartar an modúl ar chúig chlár laistigh de GMIT agus tá beartaithe é a leathnú tuilleadh.

recruitment consultants in many aspects of the module. It includes professional video CVs and E-portfolios for inclusion on LinkedIn and other social media, mock recruitment interviews with experts from industry and networking events for students and industry representatives.

The 5-credit module was designed and developed by Bridie Killoran, GMIT Careers Officer, Carmel Brennan, Head of Dept, School of Business, Siobhaun Cawley, lecturer in the Dept of Building & Civil Engineering, and Lorna Moynihan, lecturer in the School of Business.

It was first rolled out on a pilot basis to final year Information Systems Management students in GMIT three years ago. Such was its success it was extended to students on all programmes in the Department of Building & Civil Engineering the year after. The module currently runs on five programmes within GMIT and there are plans to extend it further.

Pearsanra na hInstitiúide 5

Staitisticí Foirne

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Pearsanra na hInstitiúide mar a bhí ar 31 Lúnasa 2014

Lánaimseartha	482
Páirtaimseartha	198.16
Iomlán	680.16

Categories

Acadúil	355.94
Riarachán	173.17
Tacaíocht	139.05
Taighde	12
Iomlán	680.16

Gender

Fireann	291.56
Baineann	388.60
Iomlán	680.16

Catagóirí Miondealú ar Phearsanra 31 Lúnasa 2015

Fireann Baineann

Acadúil

Buan Lánaimseartha	109	73
Conradh Tréimhse Éiginnte	66	67
pro rata	9	15
Téarma seasta	4	6
Páirtaimseartha	3.84	3.1

Riarachán

Buan Lánaimseartha	3	40
Conradh Tréimhse Éiginnte	2	30
Téarma seasta/saintéarma	4	45
Páirtaimseartha	0	0.7
Leabharlann bla	0	9
Leabharlann téarma seasta/saintéarma	1	9
Leabharlann cté	1	1
S Seirbhísí bla	1	1
S Seirbhísí cté	0	1
S Seirbhísí téarma seasta	0.5	1
Feitheoirí	2.19	5.69
Glacadóirí nótaí	2.52	8.57
Riar. Sinsearach	2	0
Altra	2	0
Teic. bla	27	6
Teic. cté	13	4
Teic. sla	1	0
Teic. Téarma seasta	8	4
Tacaíocht bla	12	4
Tacaíocht cté	2	0
Tacaíocht sla	1	0
Tacaíocht páirtaimseartha	2.97	33.2
Ceaintín páirtaimseartha	1.54	15.34
Ceaintín bla	1	1
Ceaintín téarma seasta	0	1
Ceaintín sté	0	1
Taighde	3	1
Taighde téarma seasta	6	2
	291.56	388.6
Iomlán		680.16

Personnel 5

Staff Statistics

5.1

Staff Statistics as at 31 August 2014

Full-Time	482
Part-Time	198.16
Total	680.16

Categories

Academic	355.94
Admin	173.17
Support	139.05
Research	12
Total	680.16

Gender

Male	291.56
Female	388.60
Total	680.16

Categories

	<i>Breakdown 31 Aug 2015</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
Academic			
Permanent Whole Time	109	73	
Contract of Indefinite Duration	66	67	
pro rata	9	15	
fixed term	4	6	
part time	3.84	3.1	
Administration			
Permanent Whole Time	3	40	
Contract of Indefinite Duration	2	30	
fixed purpose/term	4	45	
part time	0	0.7	
Library pwt	0	9	
Library fixed purpose/term	1	9	
Library cid	1	1	
S Services pwt	1	1	
S Services cid	0	1	
S Services fixed term	0.5	1	
Invigilators	2.19	5.69	
Notetakers	2.52	8.57	
Senr Admin	2	0	
Nurse	2	0	
Tech pwt	27	6	
Tech cid	13	4	
Tech twt	1	0	
Tech fixed term	8	4	
Support pwt	12	4	
Support cid	2	0	
Support twt	1	0	
Support part time	2.97	33.2	
Canteen part time	1.54	15.34	
Canteen pwt	1	1	
Canteen fixed term	0	1	
Canteen CID	0	1	
Research cid	3	1	
Research fixed term	6	2	
	291.56	388.6	
Total			680.16

Lánaimseartha	Lánaimseartha	Status - Full/Time	Full Time
Acadúil bla	182	Academic pwt	182
Acadúil tcé	133	Academic cid	133
Riarachán bla	43	Admin pwt	43
Riarachán cté	32	Admin cid	32
Leabharlann bla	9	Library pwt	9
Leabharlann cté	2	Library cid	2
Riarachán Sinsear.	1	Senior Admin	1
Seirbhísí Neach l. Bla	2	Student Services pwt	2
Seirbhísí Neach l. Cté	1	Student Services cid	1
Teicneoir bla	33	Technician pwt	33
Teicneoir cté	17	Technician cid	17
Tacaíocht bla	16	Support pwt	16
Tacaíocht cté	2	Support cid	2
Ceaintín bla	2	Canteen pwt	2
Ceaintín cté	1	Canteen CID	1
Taighde cté	4	Research cid	4
Altra	2	Nurse	2
Iomlán Lanaimseartha	482	Total full time	482

Stádas - Páirtaimseartha/ Sealadach	Páirtaimseartha/Sealadach	Status - Part-Time/ Temporary	Part-Time/Temporary
Acaduil Pro Rata	24	Academic Pro Rata	24
Acaduil Téarma Seasta	10	Academic Fixed Term	10
Acadúil páirtaimseartha	6.94	Academic part time	6.94
Riar. téarma seasta/saint.	49	Admin fixed purpose/term	49
Leabharlann páirtaim.	0.7	Admin part time	0.7
Leabh. téarma seasta/saint.	10	Library fixed purpose/term	10
Riarachán Sinsear.	1	Senior Admin	1
Seirbhísí Neach l. T. Seasta	1.5	Student Services fixed term	1.5
Teicneoir sla	1	Technician twt	1
Teicneoir téarma seasta	12	Technician fixed term	12
Tacaíocht sla	1	Support twt	1
Tacaíocht páirtaim.	31.57	Support part time	31.57
Ceaintin páirtaim.	16.88	Canteen part time	16.88
Taighde téarma seasta	8	Research fixed term	8
Tacaíocht pro rata	4.6	Support pro rata	4.6
Ceaintín téarma seasta	1	Canteen fixed term	1
Feitheoirí	7.88	Invigilators	7.88
Glacadóirí nótaí	11.09	Notetakers	11.09
Iomlan Páirtaimseartha	198.16	Total part time	198.16
Iomlán	680.16	Total	680.16

Éachtaí Foirne

5.2

DUAIS UACHTARÁN GMIT: Bronnadh gradam 2016 ar Celine Curtin agus ar an Dr John Healy i gcomhpháirt

Ghnóthaithe na léachtóirí Celine Curtin, Roinn Scannán & Clár Faisnéise, agus an Dr John Healy, Roinn Ríomhaireachta & Fisice Feidhmí, Duais Uachtarán GMIT don tSármhaiteas i dTeagasc. Bhronn Uachtarán GMIT, an Dr Fergal Barry, a nduaísear an mbeirt acadúil ag na searmanais bhliantúla bronnta in Óstán Radisson i nGaillimh.

Is Comhordaitheoir Cláir don BA (Onór) i Scáinnán & Cláir Faisnéise ag Láirionad GMIT do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha (Cluain Mhuire tráth dá raibh) i Celine Curtin. Eascaíonn an clár as an gcúrsa Dioplóma Náisiúnta i Léiriú Físéáin a réachtáil Celine i gcomhar le GMIT nuair a bhí sí ina bainisteoir ar Láirionad Scannán na Gaillimhe ar an gcampsas in 1994. Bhí Celine mar chuid den fhoireann a shainaithin an gá a bhí ann le dhaoine cáilithe don earnáil chlosamhairc a raibh borrhadh ag teacht fúithi san Iarthar agus chuaigh sí ar aghaidh chun an smaoineamh a fhorbairt nuair a bunaíodh clár iarchéime.

Agus a urraim á léiriú aige, dúirt an Dr Paddy Tobin, Ceann an Láirionaid do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha & na Meáin (CCAM: “Baineann Celine úsáid as éagsúlacht taithí tionscail ina cleachtas teagaisc. Is ball gníomhach den tionscail í agus tapaíonn sí gach deis chun fiorshaol agus tionscail a chomhtháthú isteach ina teagasc, tionscadail agus measúnuithe. Is ábhar finscél iad a cuir chuige don teagasc agus an leas a bhaineann sí as a teagmhálacha tionscail i seachadadh a cúrsa. Gan eisceacht ar bith is cúis gliondaír dá teagmhálacha tionscail baint a bheith acu leis an gclár agus cuidiú leis. Cinníonn a stíl phraiticiúil go bhfágann a cuid neach léinn agus buntáiste suntasach acu i dtéarmáil scileanna amhail ‘pitseáil’, dul i ngleic le gníomhaire diolacháin agus léiriú scannán”.

Is léachtóir é an Dr John Healy sa Roinn Eolaíochta Ríomhaire agus Fisice Feidhmí GMIT. Chuaigh sé leis an Roinn Matamaitice agus Ríomhaireachta in GMIT in 2000, tar éis teacht dó as an Digital Equipment Corporation áit a raibh sé ina innealtóir sinsearach bogearrái.

Agus meas á chur in iúl aige, dúirt Ceann na Roinne, an Dr Seán Duignan: “Léiríonn gairmréim an Dr John Healy de beagnach 16 bliana go dtí seo in GMIT go nglacann sé cur chuige inspioráideach, spreagúil agus samhláoch don teagasc agus don fhoghlaim, agus neacha léinn á misniú aige le bheith ina smaointeoirí neamhspleácha criticiúla, iad i ngleic go hiomlán lena n-ábhar, agus go mbaineann sé leas as leibhéal ard feasachta ar cheisteanna comhaimseartha ina theagasc. Gan ach sampla amháin a lua: bhain John go lárnach le feidhmiú GitHub le haghaidh neach léinn sa roinn anuraidh (2014). Mar thoradh air sin, bíonn cohóirt neach léinn ag cur isteach tascanna agus obair thionscadail trí mheán taiscleannt de chód caighdeánach tionscail. Tugann sé sin rointnú nuálaíochtaí chun cabhrú le teagasc agus foghlaim – go háirithe, leibhéal méadaithe údarachta don chleachtas códúcháin agus innealtóireachta bogearrái – chomh maith le meicníocht chóir oibiachtúil a chur ar fáil le haghaidh measúnú grúpthionscadal”.

Staff Achievements

5.2

GMIT PRESIDENT’S AWARD: Celine Curtin and Dr John Healy jointly awarded 2016 accolade

Lecturers Celine Curtin, Department of Film & Documentary, and Dr John Healy, Department of Computing & Applied Physics, jointly won this year’s GMIT President’s Award for Teaching Excellence. The two GMIT academics were presented with their awards by GMIT President, Dr Fergal Barry, at the annual conferring ceremonies in the Radisson Hotel in Galway.

Celine Curtin is Programme Co-ordinator of the BA (Hons) in Film & Documentary programme at GMIT’s Centre for Creative Arts and Media (formerly Cluain Mhuire). The programme has its origins in the National Diploma in Video Production course which Celine ran in partnership with GMIT when manager of the Galway Film Centre on campus in 1994. Celine was part of the team that identified the need for qualified individuals for the growing audio-visual sector in the West and went on to develop this idea with the establishment of a post-graduate programme.

Dr Paddy Tobin, Head of the Centre for Creative Arts & Media (CCAM), paid tribute, saying: “Celine brings a vast array of industry experience into her teaching practice. She is an active member of the industry and exploits every opportunity to integrate real life and industry into her teaching, projects, and assessments. Her innovative approaches to teaching and her use of her industry contacts in the delivery of her course are legendary. Without exception all of her industry contacts are delighted to get involved and contribute to the programme. Her practical style ensures that students leave with a significant advantage in terms of skills like ‘pitching’, engaging with sales agents, and film production”.

Dr John Healy is a lecturer in the Department of Computer Science and Applied Physics. He joined the GMIT Department of Maths and Computing in 2000, joining from Digital Equipment Corporation where he was a senior software engineer.

Head of Department, Dr Sean Duignan, paying tribute, said: “In Dr John Healy’s near 16 year career to date in GMIT, it is clear that he takes an inspirational, stimulating and imaginative approach to teaching and learning, encouraging students to become independent critical thinkers, fully engaged with their subject, and that he brings a high level of awareness of contemporary issues to his teaching. To cite just one example: John was central to the roll-out of GitHub for students at the department last year (2014). As a consequence, cohorts of students are now submitting assignment and project work via this industry standard code repository. This brings a number of innovations to teaching and learning - in particular, an increased level of authenticity to the practice of coding and software engineering - as well as providing a fair and objective mechanism for assessing group projects”.



Réimse nua tionscnamh chun déileáil le rátaí coinneála GMIT

Tá réimse beart tugtha isteach ag GMIT chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar rátaí coinneála na hInstitiúide a chuideoidh le neacha léinn na chéad bhliana a gclár staidéir a chur i gcrích. D'fhaomh an Chomhairle Acadúil Straitéis nua Coinneála a chuimsíonn ceapachán céad Oifigeach Coinneála na hInstitiúide, Carmel Brennan, ar bainisteoir acadúil í a bhfuil an-taithí aici. Tacóidh an ceapachán seo leis an obair agus forbróidh sé a bhfuil déanta ag GMIT le linn an dá bliain seo caite mar:

- Bunú Lárionad Foghlama Matamaitice agus Lárionad Scríbhneoireachta Acadúla;
- Infheistíocht chaipítil de €1m i Scoil na hEolaíochta;
- Clár Leathnaithe Ionduchtaithe Neacha Léinn “Na Chéad Chúig Sheachtain”;
- PASS (Tacaíocht Phiara-chuidithe Neacha Léinn) faoina bhfuil neacha léinn dara, tríu agus ceathrú bliain ag cuidiú le neacha léinn céad bhliana;
- Cláir neamh-ainmnithe a thabhairt isteach in Eolaíocht agus Gnó a thugann bliain go leith do neacha léinn céad bhliana cinneadh a dhéanamh maidir leis an réimse inar mhaith leo speisialú de réir mar a théann siad chun cinn;
- Roinnt tionscnamh ar líne atá diríthe ar ullmhú daltaí dara leibhéal don aistríú go dtí an tríú leibhéal amhail “The Transitions – Learning Journey” Massive Online Open Course atá á phrótoltó ag GMIT i láthair na huaire le roinnt scoileanna dara leibhéal.

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Gradam Fiontraíochta
Neacha Léinn buaite ag neach
léinn Gnó & Agra GMIT
GMIT as a tháirge VEAL

Pictiúr: Ivan McPhillips, léachtóir
GMIT, buaiteoir foriomlán Jack Hahessy
Madigan, Elaine McPhillips as Shell,
Niall McGarry as Maximum Media
agus Maria Staunton, Bainisteoir Mol
Nuálaíochta GMIT Mhaigh Eo.

Ghnóthaigh neach léinn GMIT i
nGnó & Agra Jack Hahessy Madigan
as Cill Chainnigh Gradam Fiontar

New range of initiatives to address GMIT retention rates

GMIT has introduced a range of measures to address the Institute's retention rates which will aid first year students complete their programmes of study. The Academic Council has approved a new Retention Strategy which includes the appointment of the Institute's first Retention Officer, Carmel Brennan, who is a highly experienced academic manager. This appointment will support and build on the work carried out at GMIT over the past two years such as:

- Establishment of a Maths Learning Centre and Academic Writing Centre;
- Capital investment of €1m for the School of Science;
- Extended Student Induction Programme “The First Five Weeks”;
- PASS (Peer Assisted Student Support) programme involving second, third and fourth years helping first years;
- Introduction of un-denominated programmes in Science and Business which gives first years up to a year and a half to decide which area they want to specialise in as they progress;
- A number of online initiatives aimed at preparing second level pupils for third level transition such as the “The Transitions – Learning Journey” Massive Online Open Course (MOOC) which is currently being piloted with GMIT and several second-level schools.



Agri Business student wins
GMIT Student Enterprise
Award for his Veal product
*Picture: Ivan McPhillips, lecturer
GMIT, overall winner Jack Hahessy
Madigan, Elaine McPhillips
from Shell, Niall McGarry from
Maximum Media and Maria
Staunton Manager of the GMIT
Innovation Hub Mayo Photo: John
Mee Photography.*

GMIT Business & Agri student
Jack Hahessy Madigan from
Kilkenny won the 2016 GMIT

Neacha Léinn GMIT 2016 as a ghnó tosaithe, Kilkenny Rosé Veal. Bhí Jack ar dhuine de 14 chraobhioimaitheoir agus d'foirne de chuid GMIT a bhí san iomaíocht sa chomórtas bliantúil, a d'óstaigh iHub GMIT Mhaigh Eo, a bhfuil duaischiste de €3,000 aige agus é urraithe ag Shell agus Fiontar Éireann.

Is as an nGráig, Bearna Ghaoithe, Co. Chill Chainnigh do Jack agus is neach léinn tríu bliain é ar an mBaitsiléir Gnó i bhFiontar Tuaithe agus Agra-Ghnó ag campas na Gaillimhe. Ghnóthaigh sé an chéad duais de €2,000 as a ghnó laofheola a chuir sé ar bun ar fheirm a athar i gCill Chainnigh le linn dó a bheith sa chéad bhliaín. Cheana fein tá Jack i mbun cainteanna le mórchuidéachta bia san Fhrainc maidir le laofheoil mhionaithe a sholáthar dóibh. Le deireanas fuair Jack an chéad duais de €1,250 sna Gradaim Fiontar Neacha Léinn SCCUL atá bunaithe i nGaillimh.

Ghnóthaigh Brendan Keane as Crois Mhaoilíona an dara duais. Is neach léinn ar an mBaitsiléir Ealaíon in Ealaíona Cócaireachta é Brendan i gcampas na Gaillimhe. Fuair sé €500 as a smaoineamh gnó – aip bhainistíochta bia (do na hardáin shoghluaise IOT agus Android araon) a chuideoidh le héifeachtacht na hearnála fáilteachais.

Ghnóthaigh Gala Tomasso as an Spidéal, Gaillimh an tríu duais. Is neach léinn í ar an gctrúsa Fiontar Cruthaitheach i Láirionad GMIT do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha & na Meáin i nGaillimh. Fuair sí €300 as a balsam béis agus craicinn a dhéantar as céir bheach.

Faigheann léachtóir le Gnó de chuid GMIT Gradam Náisiúnta don tSármhaitheas i dTeagasc

Ghnóthaigh Colm Kelleher, léachtóir i Scoil Ghnó GMIT, an Gradam Náisiúnta don tSármhaitheas i dTeagasc ón bhFóram Náisiúnta um Fheabhsú

Teagasc agus Foghlama san Ardoideachas. Bronnadh an gradam air ag searmanas foirmíúil i gCaisleán Bhaile Átha Cliath tráthnóna Déardaoin, ar 10 mí na Nollag 2015. Tá mar aidhm ag na Gradaim Náisiúnta Saineolaithe Teagasc sármhúinteoirí a shainaithint ar eiseamhláirí iad den tsármhaitheas i dteagasc agus ag a bhfuil eolas ar thionchar na foghlama acu atá fianaisebhunaithe agus láidir.

Pictiúr (thuas): Buaitoír Gradam an Fhóraim Náisiúnta Colm Kelleher, Scoil Ghnó GMIT, agus Sarah Moore, Cathaoirleach Bhord an Fhóraim Náisiúnta.

Ba é a Cheann Scoile, an Dr Seán Duignan, a d'ainmnigh Colm, ar léachtóir i mBainistíocht Acmhainní Daonna agus Staidéar Bainistíochta é, agus thacaigh Uachtaráin GMIT, an Dr Fergal Barry leis. Chuaigh a iarratas faoi

Student Enterprise Award for his start up business, Kilkenny Rosé Veal. Jack was one of 14 GMIT finalists and teams who competed in the annual competition, hosted by GMIT Mayo iHub, which has a prize fund of €3,000 sponsored by Shell and Enterprise Ireland.

Jack, from Graigue, Windgap, Co Kilkenny, is a third year student on the Bachelor of Business in Rural Enterprise and Agri-Business programme at the Galway campus. He won first prize of €2,000 for his veal business which he established on his father's farm in Kilkenny while in first year. Jack is already in advanced talks with a major food company in France with regard to supplying them with veal mince. Recently Jack claimed first prize of €1,250 in the Galway based SCCUL Student Enterprise Awards.

Second prize this year went to Brendan Keane from Crossmolina, a third year student on the Bachelor of Arts in Culinary Arts in the Galway campus. He won €500 for his business idea - a food management app (for both IOT and Android mobile platforms) that will help the efficiency of the hospitality sector.

Third prize went to Gala Tomasso from An Spideal, Galway, a first year student on a Creative Enterprise course in GMIT's Centre for the Creative Arts & Media (CCAM) in Galway, who won €300 for her lip and skin balms made from beeswax.

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GMIT Business lecturer receives National Teaching Excellence Award

Colm Kelleher, a lecturer in GMIT's School of Business, has won a National Teaching Excellence Award from the National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education. He was presented with his award at a formal ceremony in Dublin Castle last evening (Thursday 10 December 2015). The National

Teaching Experts awards aim to identify expert teachers who are models for excellence in teaching and whose knowledge about learning impact is strong and evidence based.

Picture (above): National Forum award winner Colm Kelleher, GMIT School of Business, and Sarah Moore, Chair of the National Forum board

Colm, who lectures in Human Resource Management and Management Studies, was nominated by his Head of School, Dr Sean Duignan, and endorsed by GMIT President, Dr Fergal Barry. His application underwent a rigorous assessment process by an international Teaching Experts Panel including a seven minute TED type talk on the topic of 'Heroic Assessment' which examined the villainy of meaningless assessment.

phróiseas dianmheasúnaithe ag Painéal Saineolaithe Teagaisc Idirnáisiúnta, ar a n-áirítear caint seacht nóiméad den chineál TED ar an ábhar ‘Heroic Assessment’ a rinne scrúdú ar mhíbheart an mheasúnaithe gan chiall.

Scriobh Cathaoirleach an Fhóraim, an tOllamh Sarah Moore, “ go ndearna aighneacht Choilm é féin a idirdhealú tríd an bhfianaise ina n-imríonn a chuid oibre tionchar soiléir ar fhoghlaím an neacha léinn, agus bhí ina cúis le ranpháirtíocht lucht acadúil eile i bhforbairt ghairmiúil atá thíos ar an teagasc agus an bhfoghlaim, agus ar an nuálaiocht agus cur chun cinn, a bhfuil tionchar imeartha go soiléir orthu. Is é do fiorthiomantas is cúis leis sin atá molta go mór ag an bpainéal. Ar an gcaoi chéanna, tugadh faoi deara do scoláireacht ghéar agus spéis i ndiasrú agus foghlaím ó fhianaise a bheith eiseamláireach.”

Ag tagairt dó don ghradam, dúirt an Dr Seán Duignan, Ceann na Scoile Gnó: “ Is iontach an t-éacht é seo, ní do Cholm amháin go pearsanta ach don Institiúid freisin, agus is moladh náisiúnta é don tsármhaiteas sa teagasc agus don saineolas atá in GMIT.”

Mar chuid dá aighneacht chruthaigh Colm dhá eiseamláir teagaisc a léirigh cuid de na cuir chuige ar ghlac sé leo ina theagasc. Sonraíonn an chéad eiseamláir conas a dhear sé measúnú a d'éilih ar ghrúpaí neach léinn gníomhaireacht bhréige earcaóchta a chruthú agus an phróiseas earcaochta agus roghnaithe a chur i gcrích, ar a n-áirítear gearrliosta agus agallaimh a riart. Bhí aischoothú na neach léinn an-dearfach de bhrí gur bhain bríocht leis an bpróiseas, gur thug sé níos mó féinriar dóibh, agus go raibh deiseanna le haischoothú a dhéanamh. Sonraíonn an dara heiseamláir conas a chuir sé cur chuige measúnaithe i bhfeidhm a chuir ar a chumas marc ar leith a bhronnadh ar na neacha léinn as a bheith ranpháirteach i dtionscadal grúpa áit a ndéanann na neacha léinn féinrialú.

As Baile Átha Cliath ó dhúchas do Cholm agus tá é ina chónaí anois i mBealach a’ Doirín áit a bhfuil se gníomhach sa phobal mar chóitseálaí agus ball d’Fheidhmeannas an Chumann Iománaíochta. Bhí sé ina chathaoirleach ar an ngrúpa a d’fhorbair na háiseanna Astroturf sa pharóiste agus le deireanas bhí sé mar chuid d’fhoireann a sheas do Bhealach a’ Doirín sna Gradaim Náisiúnta um Mórtas Ceantair.

The Chair of the Forum, Professor Sarah Moore, wrote that Colm’s submission “differentiated itself through its evidence of the ways in which your work has clearly impacted student learning, and has given rise to strong engagement in professional development by other academics whose focus on teaching and learning, and on innovation and enhancement, you have clearly influenced. The sheer commitment with which you have given rise to such impact has been commended strongly by the panel. Equally, your keen scholarship and interest in gleaning and learning from evidence has been noted as exemplary.”

Commenting on the award, Dr Sean Duignan, Head of School of Business, added: “This is a fantastic achievement, not just for Colm personally but for the Institute also, and serves as a national endorsement of the teaching excellence and expertise that exists in GMIT”.

As part of his submission Colm created two teaching exemplars that illustrated some of the approaches he has adopted in his teaching. The first exemplar details how he designed an assessment that required student groups to create mock recruitment agencies and to complete the recruitment and selection process including conducting shortlisting and interviews. Student feedback was very positive as the project was more meaningful, gave them more autonomy, and there was lots of opportunities for feedback. The second exemplar details how he implemented an assessment approach that enabled him to award an individual mark to students for participation in a group project where students self-regulate.

Colm, originally from Dublin, lives in Ballindereen where he is very active in the Community as a coach and member of the Executive of the Hurling Club. He chaired the group that developed the Astro Turf facilities in the parish and recently was part of a team that represented Ballinderreen in the National Pride of Place Awards.

Tuarascáil Airgeadais 6

Financial Report 6

Ioncam agus Caiteachas

Ba é an t-ioncam iomlán in 2015 ná €53.5M agus seasann sé sin do mhéadú de €0.5M ó 2014. Ba é ba mhó ba chúis leis sin ná méadú de €0.8M ar tháillí neacha léinn i ngeall ar mhéadú ar líon na neach léinn; méadú ar Ioncam Taighde de €0.1M; agus é fritháirthe ag laghdú ar Dheontas an Stáit de €0.1M agus laghdú ar scoiltí Deontais Chaipítel de €0.3M. Meaitseáinn an amúchadh ar Dheontais Chaipítel larchurtha an muirear Dímheasa don bhliain. (Gan an GMIT Catering Co. san áireamh)

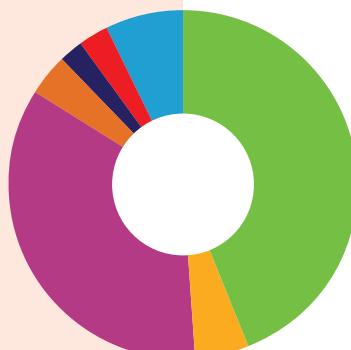
Ba é an caiteachas iomlán in 2015 ná €56.2M agus seasann sé sin do mhéadú de €0.5M ó 2014. Ba é ba chúis leis sin ná méadú ar chostais phá de €0.6M, costais neamh-phá de €0.1M agus laghdú ar dhímheas de €0.3M. Bhí breis ag caiteachas thar ioncam de €2.7M roimh cúlchistí forbartha caipítel de €0.4M a aistriú, a raibh mar thoradh air sin easnamh don bhliain de €2.3M. Is é an t-easnamh carntha mar a bhí ar 31 Lúnasa 2015 ná €0.6M.

Clár Comhardaithe

Bhí caiteachas ar Shócmhainní Seasta de €1.2M, ar maoiníodh €0.1M de le deontais chaipítel, agus an fufilleach as an Deontas Athfhilteach Stáit, an Cúlchiste Forbartha Caipítel agus foinsí eile maoinithe. Tar éis dímheas de €2.6M a chur san áireamh, tháinig laghdú de €1.4M go €64.9M ar ghlanchúach sócmhainní seasta de réir an leabhair. Rinneadh an cuntas caipítel a laghdú dá réir go €64.9M. Coinnítear an Cuntas Forbartha Caipítel chun forbairt saoráidí neacha léinn a mhaoiniú agus ba é an t-iarmhéisid ar 15 Lúnasa ná €8.3M, laghdú de €0.5M don bhliain.

Ioncam de Réir Foinse 2015

Deontas Stáit	44%
Scaoileadh ó Chuntas Caipítel	5%
Táillí Teagaisc	35%
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	4%
Ioncam Aitheanta Maoiniú Tacaíochta	2%
Neacha Léinn	2%
Ioncam Lónadóireachta	3%
Ioncam Eile	7%

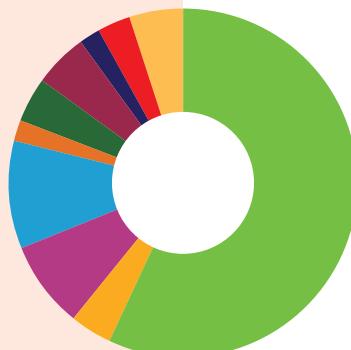


Income by Source 2015

State Grant	44%
Release from Capital Account	5%
Tuition Fees	35%
Research Grants & Contracts	4%
Student Support Funding Income Recognised	2%
Catering Income	3%
Other Income	7%

Caiteachas 2015

Ranna Acadúla	57%
Seirbhísí Acadúla	4%
Saoráidí	8%
Príomhriarachán	10%
Costais Ghinearálta Oideachasúla	2%
Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	4%
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	5%
Maoiniú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn Feidhmithe	2%
Caiteachas Lónadóireachta	3%
Dímheas & Díluachála	5%



Expenditure 2015

Academic Departments	57%
Academic Services	4%
Facilities	8%
Central Administration	10%
General Educational Expenses	2%
Student Services	4%
Research Grants & Contracts	5%
Student Support Funding Applied	2%
Catering Expenditure	3%
Depreciation & Write Downs	5%

Income and Expenditure

Total income in 2015 amounted to €53.5M which represents an increase of €0.5M from 2014. This was primarily driven by a increase in Student Fees of €0.8M due to an increase in student numbers; an increase in Research Income of €0.1M; offset by a decrease in State Grant €0.1M and a decrease in Capital Grant releases by €0.3M. The amortisation of Deferred Capital Grants matches the Depreciation charge for the year (Excluding GMIT Catering Co.).

Total expenditure in 2015 amounted to €56.2m which represents an increase of €0.5M from 2014. This increase was driven by a increase of pay costs of €0.6M, non pay costs of €0.1M and reduction of depreciation of €0.3M. Expenditure exceeded income by €2.7M prior to transfer from capital development reserves of €0.4M, which resulted in a deficit for the year of €2.3M. The accumulated deficit as at the 31st of August 2015 is €0.6M.

Balance Sheet

Expenditure on Fixed Assets amounted to €1.2M of which €0.1M was funded by capital grants, with the balance being funded from the State Recurrent Grant, Capital Development Reserve and other sources of funding. Having allowed for depreciation of €2.6M, the net book value of fixed assets decreased by €1.4M to €64.9M. The capital account, was decreased accordingly to €64.9M. The Capital Development Reserve account is held to fund the development of student facilities and the balance at Aug 15 was €8.3M, a reduction of €0.5M for the year.

Gaeilge 7

Cuireadh an Ghaeilge ar fáil mar ábhar léinn roghnach le linn na bliana acadúla 2015-16 ar chláir acadúla éagsúla a reachtáladh sa Scoil Turasóireachta agus Ealaíon agus i Scoil an Ghnó ar champus Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath i nGaillimh, agus ar chláir i gcampas Chaisleán an Bharraigh. Cuireadh an t-ábhar Gaeilge na Cumarsáide ar fáil do mhic léinn Scannán agus Faisnéise sa Láirionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha & na Meáin i nGaillimh. Modúl praiticiúil é seo a ullmhaíonn na mic léinn chun taithí a fháil in earnáil na meán Gaeilge.

Cuireadh ranganna comhrá Gaeilge ar fáil do bhaill d'fhoireann GMIT ag am lóin le linn an dara téarma i gCampas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath. Thug sé seo deis do bhaill foirne a gcuid Gaeilge labhartha a chleachtadh. Bhí an t-Oifigeach Gaeilge, Eimear Ó Tuathaigh, i mbun na ranganna seo.

D'eagraigh Coiste Gaeilge na hInstitiúide an teacht le chéile míosúil 'Uair Sa Mhí' sa 'Cappuccino Gaeltacht' i bpriomhbhialann Champas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath. Deis a bhí ann do lucht foirne agus do mhic léinn araoí a gcuid Gaeilge labhartha a chleachtadh i suíomh neamhfhoirmeálta. Ba é an Coiste Gaeilge a d'eagraigh ócáid na Nollag, freisin, ag a raibh deochanna agus píoga ar fáil saor in aisce sa 'Cappuccino Gaeltacht' do chomhluadar na Gaeilge.

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Ghlac na léachtóirí Gaeilge lánpáirt in imeacht bliantúil Lá na dTeangacha ar Champas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath go luath sa bhliain acadúil. Is imeacht é seo atá dírithe ar thábhacht na dteangacha Eorpacha san oideachas tríú leibhéal a chur ar shúile na mac léinn. Cuireadh ceol, comórtas, bia agus deoch ar fáil i suíomh lárnach, agus d'éirigh go han-mhaith leis an ócáid.

Irish Language 7

Irish was provided as an optional subject of study during the academic year 2015-16 on various academic programmes run by the School of Tourism and Arts agus the School of Business Studies on the Dublin Road campus in Galway and on programmes on the Castlebar campus. The subject Communication Irish was provided for students of Film and Information in the Centre for the Creative Arts & the Media in Galway. This is a practical module which prepares students for participation in the Irish language media sector.

Conversation classes in Irish were available for GMIT staff members at lunchtime during the second term on the Dublin Road campus. This gave members of staff an opportunity of practising their spoken Irish. These classes were organised by the Irish Language Officer, Eimear ó Tuathaigh.

The Institute's Irish Committee organised the monthly get together 'Uair Sa Mhí' (Once a Month) in the 'Cappuccino Gaeltacht' in the main restaurant of the Dublin Road campus. This was an opportunity for both staff and students to practice their Irish in an informal setting. The Irish Committee also organised a Christmas event at which drinks and pies were available free of charge in the 'Cappuccino Gaeltacht' for the Irish language community.

The Irish language lecturers played a full part in Languages Day on the Dublin Road campus early in the academic year. The aim of this event is to make students aware of the importance of European languages in third level education. Music, competitions, food and drink were provided in a central situation and the occasion was a great success.

Comhionannas Deiseanna 8 Equality of Opportunity 8

Is fostóir comhionannas deiseanna í Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo. Sa cháilíocht sin, tá sí tiomanta do chomhionannas deiseanna do na fostaithe atá aici faoi láthair agus a bheidh aici sa todhchaí, agus do thimpeallacht oibre atá saor ó leatrom ar chuínsí inscne, stádas pósta, stádas teaghlacha, creidimh reiligiúnaigh, treoshuímh ghnéasaigh, míchumais, aoise nó ballraíocht sa phobal siúil a chur chun cinn, de réir na reachtaíochta ábhartha (Achtanna Comhionannas Fostaíochta, 1998 agus 2008).

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Cuntas Reachtúla

Aitheantais

Is mó le hInstitiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe Maigh Eo an tacáiocht a thug an fhoireann, na neacha léinn agus na páirtithe leasmhara i bhforbairt na Tuarascála Bliantúla seo. Glactar buíochas le Regina Daly Uas., Oifigeach Cumarsáide GMIT, as a cion cabhrach don Tuarascáil.

Is mian le GMIT aitheantas a thabhairt freisin don tacáocht agus don maoiniú a thug:

An tAontas Eorpach - Ciste Sóisialta na hEorpa

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An Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna

Appendix I

Statutory Accounts

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INSTITUÍD TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA NA GAILLIMHE-MAIGH EO

RÁITEAS MAIDIR LE FREAGRACHTAÍ NA hINSTITUÍDE

Éilíonn na hAchtanna um Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006 ar an Institiúid ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar dóigh a d'fhéadfadh faomhadh a fháil ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachas agus iad a chur faoi bhráid an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste le haghaidh iniúchta. Agus na ráitis airgeadais seo á n-ullmhú, élítear ar an Institiúid:-

- polasaithe chuntasaíochta oiriúnacha a roghnú agus iad a chur i bhfeidhm go seasta;
- breithiúnais agus meastacháin a dhéanamh atá ciallmhar agus críonna;
- aon athrú tábhachtach ar chaighdeán chuntasaíochta oiriúnacha a noctadh agus a mhíniú;
- na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar bhonn an ghnóthais leantaigh, mura mbeadh an bonn sin mí-oiriúnach.

Tá an Institiúid freagrach as leabhair chearta chuntasaíochta a choinneáil a thabharfaidh le fios go réasúnta cruinn ag am ar bith staid airgeadais na hInstitiúide agus a chuirfidh ar a cumas a chinntí go gcomhlíonann na ráitis airgeadais na hAchtanna um Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006. Tá an Institiúid freagrach freisin as sábháilteacht a cuid sócmhainní agus as bearta réasúnta a ghlacadh chun caimiléireacht nó mírialtachtaí eile a chosc agus a bhrath.

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Uachtaráin:


An Dr Fergal Barry

Cathaoirleach:


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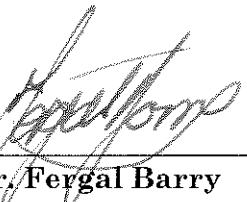
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STATEMENT OF INSTITUTE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006 require the Institute to prepare financial statements in such form as may be approved by the Higher Education Authority and to submit them for audit to the Comptroller and Auditor General. In preparing these financial statements, the Institute is required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- disclose and explain any material departures from applicable accounting standards;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless that basis is inappropriate;

The Institute is responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Institute and which enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006. The Institute is also responsible for safeguarding its assets and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

President: 
Dr. Fergal Barry

Chairman: 
Des Mahon

Date: 
15 September 2016

INSTITIÚÍD TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA NA GAILLIMHE-MAIGH EO

RÁITEAS AR RIALÚ INMHEÁNACH

Freagrácht as an gCóras Rialaithe Inmheánaigh

Admhaíonn an Bord Rialaithe a fhreagrácht fhiorimlán as córas rialaithe inmheánaigh na hInstitiúide.

Tacaíonn córas maith rialaithe inmheánaigh le polasaithe, spriocanna agus cuspóirí na hInstitiúide a bhaint amach, agus chun na cistí agus na sócmhainní poiblí a bhfuil freagrácht orainn ina leith a chosaint.

Is éard atá sa chóras rialaithe inmheánaigh ná na próisis sin a úsáidtear chun na rioscaí suntasacha atá roimh Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo i mbainistiú a cuid gnóthaí a shainaithint, a mheasúnú agus a bhainistiú.

Tá an córas ceaptha chun rioscaí a bhainistiú seachas iad a scrios, agus é á aithint nach féidir ach rátháocht réasúnta agus ní glanrátháocht a thabhairt go bhfuil sócmhainní á gcosaint, bearta á n-údarú agus á dtaifeadadh i gceart, agus go ndéantar earráidí nó mírialtachtaí tábhachtacha a chosc nó a bhrath go tráthúil.

Tá an córas rialaithe inmheánaigh bunaithe ar phróiseas leanúnach atá ceaptha chun na rioscaí a bhíonn roimh chur i gcrích polasaithe, spriocanna agus cuspóirí a shainaithint agus a chur in ord tosaíochta, chun an dóchúlacht go bhfíorófaí na rioscaí sin a mheasúnú agus an iarmhaint dá bhfíorófaí iad, agus iad a bhainistiú go héifeachtach agus ar bhonn eacnamaíoch.

Cód Rialachais d’Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta in Éirinn

Ghlac an Bord Rialaithe in Eanáir 2012 leis an gCód Rialachais d’Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta in Éirinn arna leasú chun an Cód Rialachais do Chomhlachtaí Stáit 2009 a léiriú.

Príomhghnáthaimh Rialaithe

Tá cúram á dhéanamh ag an mBord Rialaithe chun timpeallacht rialaithe chuí a chinntiú, ar a n-áirítear:

- Glacadh le Creat Rialaithe Inmheánaigh faoi mar atá forbartha ag grúpa oibre earnáalach as Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta éagsúla mar chabhair don athbhreithniú ar an gcóras Rialaithe Inmheánaigh. Déanann an creat cur síos ar na rialuithe is gá a bhfuil súil leo chun na riachtanais comhall-bhunaithe a chomhlíonadh sna réimsí riosca seo a leanas:
 - Institiúideach
 - Oibríochtúil
 - Airgeadas
 - Comhall
 - Comhall Ginearálta

Rinne an Institiúid an Creat a ghlacadh agus a chur in oiriúint agus sannadh úinéireacht ar na réimsí do bhaill éagsúla den fhoireann feidhmiúcháin. Is cuid bhunúsach den athbhreithniú ar Rialú Inmheánach laistigh den Institiúid é an creat.

- Bíonn na gnáthaimh agus na rialacháin airgeadais doiciméadaithe ar bhonn reatha, curtha i ngníomh agus cothrom le dáta.
- Ról agus freagráchtaí sainithe bainistíochta a cuireadh in iúl thar ranna acadúla agus aonaid fheidhmeacha tacaíochta.
- Athbhreithnithe rialta ag an mBord Rialaithe ar thuairiscí airgeadais tréimhsíúla agus bliantúla, ar a n-áirítear feidhmíocht airgeadais curtha i gcomórtas le réamhaisnéisí.
- Córas cuimsitheach buiséadaithe le buiséad bliantúil a athbhreithníonn agus a fhaomhann an Bord Rialaithe.
- Forbairt spriocanna chun feidhmíocht airgeadais agus feidhmíocht eile a mheas.
- Treoirínte rialaithe infheistíochta caipítíl atá sonraithe go soiléir.
- Rialuithe foirmiúla agus seiceálacha bainistíochta ar a n-áirítear idirdhealú dualgas, agus seiceáil

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Responsibility for the System of Internal Control

The Governing Body acknowledges its overall responsibility for the Institute's system of internal control.

A sound system of internal control supports the achievement of the Institute's policies, aims and objectives, whilst safeguarding the public funds and assets for which we are responsible.

The system of internal control consists of those processes used to identify, evaluate and manage the significant risks faced by Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology in the management of its affairs.

The system is designed to manage rather than eliminate risk, recognising that only reasonable and not absolute assurance can be provided that assets are safeguarded, transactions authorised and properly recorded, and that material errors or irregularities are either prevented or would be detected on a timely basis.

The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically.

Code of Governance of Irish Institutes of Technology

The Code of Governance of Irish Institutes of Technology as amended to reflect the 2009 Code of Governance for State Bodies was adopted by the Governing Body in January 2012.

Key Control Procedures

The Governing Body has taken steps to ensure an appropriate control environment, including:

- Adopting an Internal Control Framework as developed by a sectoral working group from various Institutes of Technology to assist in the review of the system of Internal Control. The framework outlines the expected controls necessary to meet compliance based requirements in the following risk areas:
 - Institutional
 - Operational
 - Financial
 - Compliance
 - General compliance

The Framework was adopted and tailored by the Institute and ownership of the areas was assigned to various members of the executive team.

The framework forms an integral part of the review of Internal Control within the Institute.

- Financial procedures and regulations are currently documented, implemented and up to date.
- Defined management roles and responsibilities which have been communicated across academic departments and supporting functional units.
- Regular reviews by the Governing Body of periodic and annual financial reports, which include financial performance against forecasts.
- Comprehensive budgeting system with an annual budget which is reviewed and approved by Governing Body.
- Development of targets to measure financial and other performance.

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- Coiste Iniúchóireachta, ag a bhfuil cairt shonraithe iniúchóireachta, le téarmaí tagartha soiléire, a bhíonn ag déileáil le saincheisteanna suntasacha rialaithe agus a fhaigheann tuairiscí ó na hiniúchóirí inmheánacha agus seachtracha.
- Feidhm Iniúchóireachta Inmheánaí atá Foinsithe Allamuigha oibríonn de réir Chreachdó an Scothchleachtais atá leagtha amach sa Chód Cleachtais d'Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta. Faomhann an Coiste Iniúchóireachta an plean bliantúil iniúchóireachta inmheánaí agus tuairiscionn an fheidhm Iniúchóireachta Inmheánaí don fhochoiste sin go rialta. Cuireann an plean san áireamh réimsí riosca ionchasach atá sainaitheanta i gcleachtadh measúnaithe riosca a rinneadh leis an mbainistíocht i dtús thimthriall na pleanála reatha. Tugtar tuairisc don Choiste Iniúchóireachta ar na sannacháin ata déanta. Faigheann an Coiste Iniúchóireachta tuairiscí rialta ar staid na saincheisteanna a ardaítear.
- Gnáthaimh soláthair atá curtha in iúl don fhoireann go léir.
- Gnáthaimh diúscartha sócmhainne atá curtha in iúl don fhoireann go léir.
- Próisis chun comhall leis na Treoirlínte maidir le Luach ar Airgead a Fháil ar Chaiteachas Poiblí a éascú.
- Gnáthaimh agus córais chun comhall leis na dlíthe ábhartha cánachais go léir a éascú.

Bainistiú Riosca

Tá próisis forbartha ag GMIT chun riosca gnó a shainainthint, a mheas agus a bhainistiú.

Cuirtear é sin i bhfeidhm ar bhealaí éagsúla ar a n-áirítear:

- Glacadh le Polasaí Bainistithe Riosca agus rinneadh é a athbhreithniú, a nuashonrú agus a fhaomhadh ag an mBord Rialaithe i Mí na Nollag 2015.
- Clár Riosca Straitéisigh a choinneáil a shainainthníonn rioscaí straitéiseacha, na húinéirí riosca, rialuithe chun na rioscaí sin a mhaolú agus gníomhphleananna ar bith chun na rioscaí sin a mhaolú tuilleadh.
- Rinne an Bord Feidhmeannach an Clár Riosca a athbhreithniú agus a nuashonrú agus chuir faoi bhráid an Choiste Iniúchóireachta é ar 18 Samhain 2015 a mhol go bhfaomhfadh an Bord Rialaithe é. D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe an Clár Rioscaí ar 8 Nollaig 2015.
- Rinneadh an clár Riosca Straitéisigh a chascaidiú síos trí na réimsí Scoile/Feidhmiúla.
- Is míreanna rialta cláir iad na príomhrioscaí ag cruinnithe an Bhoird Fheidhmeannaigh, an Choiste Iniúchóireachta agus an Bhoird Rialaithe.

Príomh-Mhíreanna a cuireadh i gcrích le linn 2014/15

- Rinneadh athbhreithniú ar éifeachtacht an Bhord Rialaithe le linn 2014. Ghlac an Bord Rialaithe le moltaí an athbhreithnithe ag a gcruiinniú i mí na Samhna agus shocraigh go dtiocfad cur i bhfeidhm an athbhreithnithe i ngníomh nuair a cheapfaí an Bord Rialaithe nua.
- D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe an Polasaí Frithchhalaoise ag Cruinniú Eanáir 2015.
- D'fhaomh an Bord Feidhmeannach an Plean do Theagmhás Criticiúil agus an Plean do Leanúnachas Gnó ag a gcruiinniú i mí na Nollag 2014.
- D'fhaomh an Bord Feidhmeannach Plean do Leanúnachas Gnó IT ag a gcruiinniú i mí na Nollag 2014.

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- Clearly defined capital investment control guidelines.
- Formal management controls and checks including segregation of duties, and sample checking of Invoices and payments.
- An Audit Committee, with clear terms of reference, which deals with significant control issues and receives the reports of the internal and external auditors.
- An Outsourced Internal Audit function which operates in accordance with the framework Code of Best Practice set out in the Code of Governance for Institutes of Technology. The Internal audit plan is approved by the Audit Committee annually. The plan takes account of areas of potential risk identified in a risk assessment exercise carried out with management at the start of the current planning cycle. Reports are provided to the Audit Committee on assignments carried out. The Audit committee receives regular reports on the status of issues raised.
- Procurement procedures which have been communicated to all staff.
- Disposal of asset procedures which have been communicated to all staff.
- Processes to facilitate compliance with Guidelines on Achieving value for Money in Public Expenditure.
- Procedures and systems to facilitate compliance with all relevant taxation laws.

Risk Management

GMIT has developed processes to identify, evaluate and manage business risk. This is achieved in a number of ways including:

- Adoption of a Risk Management Policy which was reviewed updated and approved by the Governing Body in December 2015.
- Maintaining a Strategic Risk Register which identifies key Strategic risks, the risk owners, controls to mitigate these risks and any action plans to further mitigate these risks.
- The Risk Register was reviewed and updated by the Executive Board and presented to the Audit Committee on the 18th of November 2015 who recommended it for approval by the Governing Body. The Governing Body approved the Risk Register on the 8th December 2015.
- Cascading the Strategic Risk register to the School/Functional areas.
- Key risks are regular agenda items at Executive Board, Audit Committee and Governing Body meetings.

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Key Items completed during 2014/15

- The Governing Body effectiveness review was conducted during 2014. The Governing Body accepted the recommendations of the review at its November meeting and decided that implementation of the review would take effect at the appointment of the new Governing Body. This implementation is ongoing.
- The Anti-Fraud policy was approved by Governing Body at the January 2015 meeting.
- Critical Incident Plan and Business Continuity Plan was approved by the Executive Board at its December 2014 meeting.
- I.T Business Continuity Plan was approved by Executive Board at its December 2014 meeting.

- D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe an Polasaí Nochta in Eanáir 2015

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- D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe cáipéisíocht leibhéal earnála IT i mBealtaine 2015. Is mar seo a leanas atá na polasaithe sin:
 - Polasaí maidir le hÚsáid Inghlactha GMIT
 - Polasaí maidir le Rialachas Sonrai
 - Polasaí maidir le Coinneáil rPhoist
 - Polasaí maidir le Slándáil Faisnéise
 - Creat Cáipéisíocha

Míreanna atá ar bun ag deireadh na bliana 2015

- Plean Straiteáiseach do 2016-2022 le bheith curtha i gcrích faoi R4 2016.
- Bhítheas ag súil go n-ullmhódh an tSeirbhís Náisiúnta Soláthair agus/nó an Oifig um Sholáthar RialtaisPlean Soláthair Chorparáidigh ar son GMIT. Ach ina éagmás sin a bheith déanta, cuirfidh GMIT anailís ar chaiteachas i gcrích faoi dheireadh Lúnasa 2016 chun réimsí coigiltis/éifeachtúlachtaí a shainainthint a d'fhéadfaí a fháil as Soláthar, lasmuigh de na réimsí a aimseoidh EPS/OGP.
- Níl an Institiúid (agus earnáil na nInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta) i gcomhall le dhá chiorclán de chuid TFC. Bhain plé earnálach go lárnach maidir le cé acu an bhfuil na ciorcláin oiriúnach d'earnáil na nInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta.
- D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe an Cód Iompraíochta d'Fhostaithe ag a gcruiinní i Meán Fómhair 2015.
- Athbhreithniú leanúnach agus feabhsú ar an gcreat bainistithe rioscaí mar aon le haithbhreithniú leanúnach ar Chód Rialachais d'Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta na hÉireann chun an bainistiú rioscaí a fheabhsú agus an creat rialachais laistigh de GMIT a neartú tuilleadh.

De réir mar a thagann na gníomhaíochtaí sin chun críche, cuirfidh GMIT tú leis an bpróiseas cur i bhfeidhm.

Athbhreithniú bliantúil ar rialuithe inmheánacha

Tá athbhreithniú an Bhord Rialaithe ar éifeachtacht an chóras rialithe inmheánaigh bunaithe ar:

- Obair na hIniúchóireachta Inmheánaí a chuimsíonn measúnú bliantúil ar roghnúchán rothlach ar na gníomhaíochtaí in-iniúchta ata sainaitheanta i gCruinne na hIniúchóireachta. Cuireann an plean iniúchóireachta inmheánaí riosca san áireamh agus réimsí athbhreithnithe á sainaithint.
- An Choiste Iniúchóireachta a dhéanann maoirseacht ar obair na hIniúchóireachta Inmheánaí. Buaileann an Coiste Iniúchóireachta leis na hIniúchóirí Inmheánacha ar bhonn rialta chun obair na hIniúchóireachta Inmheánaí a athbhreithniú.
- Oifigigh shinsearacha laistigh d'Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo atá freagrach as an gcreat rialithe inmheánaigh a fhorbairt agus a choinneáil.
- An próiseas bainistithe riosca.
- Na ráitis atá déanta ag an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste ina litir bhainistithe nó tuairiscí eile.

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- The Disclosure Policy was approved by Governing Body in January 2015.
- The sectoral level IT documentation was approved by the Governing Body in May 2015. These policies are:
 - GMIT Acceptable Usage Policy
 - Data Governance Policy
 - Email Retention Policy
 - Information Security Policy
 - Documentation Framework.

Key Items in progress at year end 2015

- Strategic Plan for 2016-2022 to be completed by Q4 2016.
- It had been anticipated that EPS and /or OGP would prepare a Corporate Procurement Plan on behalf of GMIT. However, in the absence of this being done, GMIT will complete an analysis of spend by the end of August 2016 to identify areas of savings/efficiencies that may be delivered from Procurement, outside of the areas that will be delivered by EPS/OGP.
- The Institute (and IOT sector) is not in compliance with two ICT circulars. Sectoral discussions have centred on whether or not the circulars are appropriate for the IOT sector.
- The Employee Code of Conduct was considered by the Governing Body at its September 2015 meeting.
- Ongoing review and enhancement of the risk management framework together with ongoing review of the Code of Governance of Irish Institutes of Technology to further improve and build the risk management and governance framework within GMIT.

As these activities reach completion, GMIT will commence the process of implementation.

Annual review of internal controls

The Governing Body's review of the effectiveness of the system of internal control is informed by:

- The work of Internal Audit, which includes annual audits on a rotating selection of the auditable activities identified in the Audit Universe. The Internal Audit Plan considers risk when identifying areas of review.
- The Audit Committee which oversees the work of Internal Audit. The Audit Committee meets the Internal Auditors on a regular basis to review the work of Internal Audit.
- Senior officers within Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the Internal Control Framework.
- The Risk Management process.
- The comments made by the Comptroller and Auditor General in his management letter or other reports.

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Tá próis is bunaithe ag an mBord Rialaithe chun éifeachtacht an chórais rialaithe inmheánaigh a athbhreithniú agus rinneadh athbhreithnithe le linn na bliana, ar a n-áirítear athbhreithniú ar rialuithe inmheánacha airgeadais.

Is é ról an Choiste Iniúchóireachta ná deimhniú a chur ar fáil don Bhord Rialaithe go bhfuil córas leordhóthaineach rialaithe inmheánaigh curtha i bhfeidhm agus ag obair go héifeachtach agus rinneadh é sin do 2014/2015. Rinne an Bord Rialaithe athbhreithniú ar éifeachtacht an chórais Rialaithe Inmheánaigh agus Bainistithe Riosca don bláthain dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2015 ar 8 Nollaig 2015.

D'ainneoin na ráiteas thuas, níor sainaithníodh laige ar bith sa rialú inmheánach le linn na tréimhse a d'fhéadfadh a bheith ina cúis le cailleasan ábhartha, teagmhas nó éiginnteacht nó a thabharfadhbh údar nochtadh a dhéanamh sa ráiteas ar rialú inmheánach.

Ar son an Bhord Rialaithe



Des Mahon
Cathaoirleach an Bhord Rialaithe



An Dr Fergal Barry
Uachtaráin GMIT

Dáta: 15/09/2016
15 Deireadh Fómhair 2016

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The Governing Body has processes established for reviewing the effectiveness of the system of internal control and reviews were undertaken during the year, including a review of internal operational controls.

The role of the Audit Committee is to provide assurance to the Governing Body that an adequate system of internal control is implemented and operating effectively and this was done for 2014/2015. The Governing Body performed its review of the effectiveness of the system of Internal Control and Risk Management for the year ended 31 August 2015 on the 8th of December 2015.

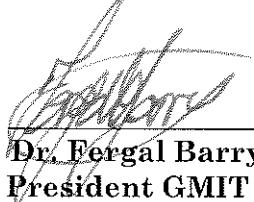
Notwithstanding statements above, no weaknesses in internal control have been identified during the period that would lead to a material loss, contingency or uncertainty or would warrant disclosure in the statement of internal control.

On behalf of the Governing Body



Des Mahon

Chairman of the Governing Body



Dr. Fergal Barry
President GMIT

Date: 15/09/2016
15 September 2016

Date: 15/09/2016
15 September 2016



An tArd-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste

Tuarascáil le cur i láthair Thithe an Oireachtas

Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo

Tá ráitis airgeadais chomhdhlúite Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo don bhliain dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2015 iniúchta agam faoi na hAchtanna um Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006. Tá na ráitis airgeadais, a ullmháiodh faoi na beartais chuntasaíochta arna leagan amach sna ráitis, comhdhéanta den ráiteas ar bheartais chuntasaíochta, an cuntas ioncaim agus caiteachais chomhdhlúite, clár comhardaithe chomhdhlúite na hInstitiúide, an ráiteas comhdhlúite ar shreabhadh airgid agus na notaí gaolmhara. Is é an creat tuairiscithe airgeadais a cuireadh i bhfeidhm ina n-ullmhúchán ná na hAchtanna um Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006 agus an cleachtas cuntasáiochta a nglactar leis go coitianta in Éirinn.

Freagrachtaí na hInstitiúide

Tá an Institiúid freaghach as na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú, as a chinntí go dtugann siad léargas fíor agus cóir ar rocht chúrsaí an Ghrúpa agus ghnóthaí na hInstitiúide agus ar ioncam agus chaiteachas an Ghrúpa, agus as rialtacht na n-idirbheart a chinntí.

Freagrachtaí an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste

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Is é mo fhreagrachta ná na ráitis airgeadais a iniúchadh agus tuairisc a thabhairt orthu de réir na nAchtanna um Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006.

Déanaim m'iniúchadh maidir leis na céasair speisialta a bhaineann le comhlachtaí a fhraigheann cistíú substaintiúil ón Stát i dtaca lena mbainistíocht agus a n-oibríocht.

Déanaim m'iniúchadh de réir na gCaighdeán Idirnáisiúnta ar Iníúchadh (RA agus Éire) agus i gcomhalla leis na Caighdeáin Eiticiúla d'Iníúchóirí de chuid Bhord na gCleachtas Iníúchóireachta.

Raon an iniúchta ar na ráitis airgeadais

Is é atá i gceist le hiniúchadh ná fianaise a fháil faoi na suimeanna agus na noctaí sna ráitis airgeadais, leordhóthanach chun ráthaíocht réasúnta a thabhairt go bhfuil na ráitis airgeadais saor ó mhíráiteas ábhartha, cibé calaois nó earráid is cúis leis. Cuimsíonn sé sin measúnú ar

- cibé an bhfuil na polasaithe cuntasáiochta oriúnach do chúinsí na hInstitiúide, ar cuireadh i bhfeidhm go seasmhach iad agus ar noctadh go leordhóthanach iad
- réasúntacht na meastachán suntasach cuntasáiochta a rinneadh in ullmhú na ráiteas airgeadais, agus
- cur i láthair foriomlán na ráiteas airgeadais

Déanaim iarracht freisin fianaise a fháil maidir le rialtacht na n-idirbheart airgeadais le linn an iniúchta.

Tuairim ar na ráitis airgeadais

Is é mo thuairim go dtugann na ráitis airgeadais:

- léargas fiorcheart ar rocht ghnóthaí an Ghrúpa agus na hInstitiúide ag 31 Lúnasa 2015 agus ar ioncam agus chaiteachas an Ghrúpa don bhliain dar críoch sin, agus
- go raibh siad ullmhaithe i gceart de réir na gcleachtas cuntasáiochta a nglactar leo go coitianta.

Is é mo thuairim go raibh taifid chuntais na hInstitiúide leordhóthanach le go bhféadfaí iniúchadh a dhéanamh orthu go héasca agus i gceart. Tá na ráitis airgeadais ag teacht leis na taifid chuntais.

Gnóthas Leantach

Gan coinnfoll a chur le mo thuairim ar na ráitis airgeadais, tarraingim aird ar Nótá 28 Gnóthas Leantach. Thabhaigh an Institiúid easnaimh i ngach ceann de na ceithre bliana seo caite agus bhí easnamh carntha de €643,000 aici ar 31 Lúnasa 2015.. Tá baill an Bhord Rialaithe sásta go leanann an Institiúid de bheith ina gnóthas leantach í i gcónai.

Ábhair ar a dtugaim tuairisc trí eisceachta

Tuairiscim trí eisceacht mura bhfuil an fhaisnéis agus na mínithe go léir faigte agam atá riachtanach do m'iniúchadh, nó

- má aimsíím aon chás ábhartha nuair nár feidhmíodh airgead poiblí chun na gcríoch a bhí beartaithe nó sa chás nach gcloíonn na hidirbhearta leis na húdaráis a rialaíonn iad, nó
- nach léiríonn an ráiteas ar rialú inmheánach gur chloígh an Institiúid leis an gCód Rialachais d'Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta na hÉireann, nó
- má aimsíím ábhair ábhartha eile a bhaineann leis an mbealach inar riadarbh gnó poiblí.

Níl aon cheo le tuairisci agam i leith na n-ábhar sin.

Seamus McCarthy.

Seamus McCarthy
Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste

22 Meán Fómhair 2016



Comptroller and Auditor General

Report for presentation to the Houses of the Oireachtas

Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology

I have audited the consolidated financial statements of Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology for the year ended 31 August 2015 under the Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006. The financial statements comprise the statement of accounting policies, the consolidated income and expenditure account, the consolidated and Institute balance sheets, the consolidated cash flow statement and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006 and generally accepted accounting practice.

Responsibilities of the Institute

The Institute is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, for ensuring that they give a true and fair view and for ensuring the regularity of transactions.

Responsibilities of the Comptroller and Auditor General

My responsibility is to audit the financial statements and report on them in accordance with applicable law.

My audit is conducted by reference to the special considerations which attach to bodies in receipt of substantial funding from the State in relation to their management and operation.

My audit is carried out in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) and in compliance with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Institute's circumstances, and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made in the preparation of the financial statements, and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I also seek to obtain evidence about the regularity of financial transactions in the course of audit.

Opinion on the financial statements

In my opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Group and Institute as at 31 August 2015 and of the Group's income and expenditure for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

In my opinion, the accounting records of the Institute were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited. The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

Going concern

Without qualifying my opinion on the financial statements, I draw attention to Note 28 Going Concern. The Institute has incurred deficits in each of the last four years and had an accumulated deficit of €643,000 at 31 August 2015. The members of the Governing Body are satisfied that the Institute remains a going concern.

Matters on which I report by exception

I report by exception if I have not received all the information and explanations I required for my audit, or if I find

- any material instance where money has not been applied for the purposes intended or where the transactions did not conform to the authorities governing them, or
- the statement on internal control does not reflect the Institute's compliance with the Code of Governance of Irish Institutes of Technology, or
- there are other material matters relating to the manner in which public business has been conducted.

I have nothing to report in regard to those matters upon which reporting is by exception.

Seamus McCarthy
Comptroller and Auditor General

22 September 2016

INSTITIÚID TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA NA GAILLIMHE-MAIGH EO **RÁITEAS AR RIALÚ INMHEÁNACH**

Is mar seo a leanas atá na polasaithe suntasacha cuntasáiochta ar ghlac Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo leo:

1. BUNÚS AN ULLMHÚCHÁIN

Ullmhaíodh na ráitis airgeadais de réir na bprionsabal cuntasáiochta a bhfuil glactha leo go coitianta in Éirinn agus sa Ríocht Aontaithe faoi choinbhinsiún an costais stairiúil (cés moite de shócmhainní áirithe atá cuimsithe ag a luacháil) agus le ceanglais an Údarás um Ard-Oideachas. Faoin Acht um Choláistí Teicneolaíochta 2006 a tháinig i bhfeidhm ar 1 Feabhra 2007 aistríodh roinnt feidhmeanna a bhíodh á bhfeidhmiú roimhe sin ag an Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna go dtí an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas.

2. BUNÚS AN CHOMHDHLÚTHAITHE

Cuimsíonn na ráitis chomhdhlúthaithe airgeadais ráitis airgeadais na hInstitiúide agus GMIT Catering Company Limited don bhliain airgeadais.

3. AITHEANTAS IONCAIM

Deontais Stáit:

Tugtar aitheantas do dheontais athfhillteacha ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachas agus ó chomhlachtaí eile sa tréimhse ina bhfuarthas iad. Déileáltar le deontais neamh-athfhillteacha ón Údarás um Ard Oideachas nó ó chomhlachtaí eile i dtaca le fáil nó tógáil sócmhainní seasta mar dheontais iarchurtha caipitil agus déantar iad a amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas thar shaol na sócmhainní.

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Mionoibreacha Caipitil:

Thug an tAire Oideachais agus Scileanna scéim isteach d'fhoinn freagracht a dhéabhlóidiú don Institiúid d'Oibreacha Samhraíd agus d'Oibreacha Caipitil eile. Áit nár caitheadh suimeanna airgid deontais déabhlóidithe i dtaca leis an scéim sin, déileáltar leo mar ioncam iarchurtha má bhí na tionscadail a raibh siad ceangailte leo faofa ag an mBord Rialaithe, iad sainnithe go hiomlán, céimnithe ó thaobh ama de agus le meastacháin ar na costais. I ngach cás eile aithnítear cistiú mionoibreacha caipitil ag an méid atá oiriúnach don bhliain acadúil ábhartha agus é cinntithe ar bhonn chionroinnt ama.

Deontais Taighde agus Conartháí:

Déantar ioncam ó Dheontais Taighde agus Conartháí a chur i gcomórtas le caiteachas agus cuimsítear é in ioncam na bliana inar tabhaíodh an caiteachas gaolmhar. Taispeántar gach ioncam agus caiteachas taighde faoi na ceannteidil 'Deontais Taighde agus Conartháí'. Déantar soláthar iomlán do chaillteanais intuartha.

Ioncam ó Tháillí Neacha Léinn:

Tugtar cuntas ar Ioncam ó Tháillí Neacha Léinn ar bhonn fabhráithe. Tá an t-ioncam go léir ó tháillí cuimsithe faoin gceannteideal sin, ar a n-áirítear cion Neacha Léinn, Foghlaim ar Feadh an tSaoil agus Táillí Eile.

GALWAY-MAYO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY **STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The significant accounting policies adopted by Galway Mayo Institute of Technology are as follows:

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Ireland and the United Kingdom under the historical cost convention (except for certain assets which are included at valuation) and with the requirements of the Higher Education Authority.

Under the Institutes of Technology Act 2006 which came into operation on 1 February 2007 certain functions and funding which were previously exercised and provided by the Minister for Education and Skills were transferred to the Higher Education Authority.

2. BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Institute and GMIT Catering Company Limited for the year.

3. RECOGNITION OF INCOME

State Grants:

Recurrent grants from the Higher Education Authority and other bodies are recognised in the period in which they are receivable. Non-recurrent grants from the Higher Education Authority or other bodies received in respect of the acquisition or construction of fixed assets are treated as deferred capital grants and amortised in line with depreciation over the life of the assets.

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Minor Capital Works:

The Minister for Education and Skills introduced a scheme to devolve responsibility to the Institute for Summer and other Capital Works. Where minor capital works monies, in respect of this scheme, have not been expended they are treated as deferred income, provided the projects to which they are committed have been approved by the Governing Body, are fully defined, time phased and with estimates of costs.

In all other cases minor capital works funding is recognised by the amount appropriate to the relevant academic year determined on a time apportionment basis.

Research Grants and Contracts:

Income from Research Grants and contracts is matched to expenditure and is included in the income of the year in which the related expenditure has been incurred. All research income and expenditure is shown under the headings 'Research Grants and Contracts'. Full provision is made for foreseeable losses.

Student Fee Income:

Student fee Income is accounted for on an accruals basis. All fee income is included under this heading including Student contribution, Life Long Learning and Other Fees.

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Ioncam ó Ús:

Déantar gach ioncam ó thaiscí gearrthéarmacha a chur chun sochair don chuntas ioncaim agus caiteachais sa tréimhse inar tuilleadh iad.

4. STOIC

Cuimsíonn stoic stoc ceaintín. Déantar luacháil ar stoic ar a luach costais nó an glanluach inréadta is ísle. Breactar caiteachas ar leabhair agus ar stoc inchaite don Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais de réir mar a thabhaítear é.

5. SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA AGUS DÍMHEAS

Luaitear sócmhainní seasta, cés moite de thalamh, ar a gcostas stairiúil nó luacháil lúide dímheas carntha. Luaitear talamh ar a chostas stairiúil nó luacháil.

(a) COSTAS NÓ LUACHÁIL

Luaitear sócmhainní seasta a bhí ann ó 1 Eanáir 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaigh) ar a luacháil. Tá bunús na luachála leagtha amach ag Nóta 14. Luaitear breiseanna ina dhiaidh sin ar a gcostas.

Tugtar cuntas ar fhoirgnimh i mbun tógála ag a gcostas bunaithe ar luach na dteastas ailtire agus ar chostais dhíreacha eile a tabhaíodh go dtí deireadh na bliana airgeadais. Ní dhéantar dímheas orthu go dtí go gcuirtear in úsáid iad.

(b) TREALAMH

Ó 1 Meán Fómhair 2008, déantar trealamh a raibh costas níos lú ná €3,000 air in aghaidh na míre aonair, a dhíscríobh don chuntas ioncaim agus caiteachais i mbliaín a fhála. Ó 1 Meán Fómhair 2010, áit a bhfuil míreanna aonair trealaímh a ceannaíodh faoin teorainn chaipitlithe (€3,000) agus an sonrasc iomlán ceannacháin níos mó ná an teorainn, déantar na míreanna sin a chaipitliú ina n-aonar sa ghnáthshlá.

(c) DÍMHEAS

Leantar de chaitheamh le gach sócmhainn a ceannaíodh roimh 1 Meán Fómhair 2008 agus a caipitlíodh mar shócmhainní seasta agus déanfar dímheas orthu go dtí deireadh na tréimhse a meastar iad a bheith inúsáidte. Déantar soláthar do dhímheas ar shócmhainní seasta, seachas talamh, ar bhonn dronlín chun a gcostais stairiúla nó a luachálacha a dhíscríobh thar na tréimhsí a meastar iad a bheith inúsáidte mar seo a leanas:

	Blianta
Foirgnimh	50
Daingneán agus Feistithe, Réamhhdhéantáin san áireamh	10
Trealamh Ríomhaire	3
Gléasra agus Innealra	10
Trealamh	5
Feithiclí Mótair	5

Déantar gach trealamh a maoiníodh ó Dheontais Taighde agus Conarthaí a dhímheas thar shaol na sócmhainne ag teacht leis an bpolasáí do gach Sócmhainn Sheasta eile.

6. AIRGEADRAÍ EACHTRANNACHA

Aistrítear bearta atá ainmnithe in airgeadraí eachtracha ina Euro agus déantar iad a thaifeadadh de réir na rátaí malairte a bhí i bhfeidhm ar dhátaí na mbeart. Aistrítear sócmhainní agus dliteanais airgeadaíochta atá ainmnithe in airgeadraí eachtracha ina Euro de réir na rátaí malairte a bhí i bhfeidhm ar dháta an chlárí chomhardaithe.

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Interest Income:

All income from short term deposits is credited to the income and expenditure account in the period in which it is earned.

4. STOCKS

Stocks comprise canteen stock. Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Expenditure on books and consumable stock is charged to the Income and Expenditure Account as incurred.

5. FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Fixed assets, with the exception of land, are stated at historical cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation. Land is stated at historical cost or valuation.

(a) COST OR VALUATION

Fixed assets in existence on 1 January 1993 (date of commencement order) are stated at valuation. The basis of valuation of land and buildings is set out in note 14. Subsequent additions are stated at cost.

Buildings under construction are accounted for at cost based on the value of the architect's certificates and other direct costs incurred to the financial year end. They are not depreciated until they are brought into use.

(b) EQUIPMENT

From 1 September 2008, equipment costing less than €3,000 per individual item is written off to the income and expenditure account in the year of acquisition. From 1 September 2010, where individual items of equipment purchased are below the capitalisation limit (€3,000) and the total purchase invoice is in excess of the limit, these items are capitalised in the normal way.

(c) DEPRECIATION

All assets purchased before 1 September 2008 and capitalised will continue to be treated as fixed assets and depreciated to the end of their useful life. Depreciation is provided on fixed assets, excluding land, on a straight line basis so as to write off their historical costs or valuations over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	Years
Buildings	50
Fixtures and Fittings including Prefabs	10
Computer equipment	3
Plant and Machinery	10
Equipment	5
Motor Vehicles	5

All equipment funded from Research Grants and Contracts is depreciated over the life of the asset in line with the policy for all other Fixed Assets.

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6. FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Euro and recorded at the rates of exchange ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Euro at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

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7. PINSIN

Bronntar teidlíochtaí pinsin fairne faoi Scéim Aoisliúntais Earnáil an Oideachais 2015 agus déanann an Státhiste freastal ar oibleagáidí pinsin de réir mar a tharlaíonn siad. Oibrítear an scéim pinsin ar bhonn Íoc-Mar-A-Úsáidtear agus dá bhrí sin coinníonn an Institiúid asbhaintí aoisliúntais ó fhostaithe, mar chuid chomhaontaithe dá maoiniú.

Ní dhéanann an Institiúid aon ranníocaíochtaí don scéim agus níl aon oibleagáid uirthi i dtaca le teidlíochtaí.

Is é atá i Scéim Aonair Pinsin na Seirbhise Poiblí (an Scéim Aonair) ná an scéim pinsin le sochar sainithe le haghaidh státseirbhíseach inphinsin a ceapadh ar nó i ndiaidh 1 Eanáir 2013 de réir Acht Pinsin na Seirbhise Poiblí (Scéim Aonair agus Forálacha Eile) 2012. Déanann an Institiúid asbhaintí ó fhostaithe faoin Scéim Aonair a chur chuig an Róinnt Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athleasaithe.

Forordáitear don Institiúid in I.S. Uimh. 581 de 2012 mar údarás ábhartha chun críche na Scéime Aonair. Bhí 61 ball den Scéim Aonair ag an Institiúid mar a bhí ar 31 Lúnasa 2015. Ní dhearnadh soláthar sna ráitis airgeadais seo do shochair a fhabhraíonn do bhaill na Scéime sa todhchaí. Is é tuairim na hInstitiúide (de réir Alt 44 d'Acht 2012) go mbeadh dliteanas ar bith i dtaca leis an Scéim Aonair fritháirithe ag sócmhainn chóibhíseach maidir le maoiniú Stáit sa todhchaí. Tá na socruithe reatha i dtaca leis an Scéim Aonair á meas ag an Róinnt Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athleasaithe agus tá roinnt roghanna faoi chaibidil maidir leis na sochair a íoc sa todhchaí agus maidir le hairgeadú na sochar sin.

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8. DEONTAIS CHAIPITIL IARCHURTHA

Is éard atá sna Deontais Chaipitil Iarchurtha luach neamhamúchta na gcistí carntha atá cionroinnte do shócmhainní seasta.

9. CÚLCHISTE CAIPITIL FORBARTHA

Is éard atá sa Chúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha cistí atá curtha ar leataobh ag an Institiúid do chríocha sainnithe caipitil forbartha. D'eascair cistí dá leithéid as Táillí Neacha Léinn, bronntanais chaipitil neamh-Stáit, táillí saoráidí baincéireachta agus aistrithe ó Chúlchistí Ioncaim, sa chás deiridh a bhfuil réamhfhaomhadh acu ón Údarás um Ard-Oideachais, le cois ús bainc tuillte ar na suimeanna airgid sin. Coinneofar cistí dá leithéid sa Chuntas Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha ar choinnioll go bhfuil na tionscadail shainnithe a bhfuil siad tiomanta dóibh ag teacht le Pleán Caipitil Forbartha na hInstitiúide, iad faofa ag an mBord Rialaithe, céimnithe ó thaobh ama de agus le meastacháin ar na costais.

10. LÉASANNA

Breacatar cíosanna faoi léasanna oibriúcháin don chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais i gcomhmhéideanna bliantúla thar thréimhse an léasa.

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7. PENSIONS

Pension entitlements of staff are conferred under the Education Sector Superannuation Scheme 2015 and pension obligations are met by the Exchequer as they arise. The superannuation scheme is operated on a Pay As You Go basis and therefore superannuation deductions made from employees are retained by the Institute, as an agreed part of its funding.

The Institute does not make contributions towards the scheme and has no obligations in respect of entitlements.

The Single Public Service Pension Scheme (Single Scheme) is the defined benefit pension scheme for pensionable public servants appointed on or after 1 January 2013 in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Single Scheme and Other Provisions) Act 2012. Deductions made from employees under the Single Scheme are remitted by the Institute to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.

The Institute is prescribed in S.I. No 581 of 2012 as a relevant authority for the purposes of the Single Scheme. The Institute had 61 members of the Single Scheme at 31 August 2015. Future benefits accruing to Scheme members have not been provided for in these financial statements. It is the Institute's opinion (in accordance with Section 44 of the 2012 Act) that any liability in respect of the Single Scheme would be offset by an equivalent asset in respect of future State funding. The Department of Public Expenditure and Reform is assessing the current arrangements in respect of the Single Scheme and is considering a number of options in relation to the future payment of benefits and financing of those benefits.

8. DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS

Deferred Capital Grants represent the unamortised value of accumulated funds allocated for fixed assets.

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9. CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT RESERVE

The Capital Development Reserve represents funds set aside by the Institute for specified capital development purposes. Such funds arose from Student Contribution Fees, non-State capital donations, banking facility fees and transfers from Revenue Reserves, in the latter case which have had the prior approval of the Higher Education Authority, together with bank interest earned on these monies. Such funds shall be retained in the Capital Development Reserves Account provided the defined projects to which they are committed are in line with the Institute's Capital Development Plan, are time phased, have estimates of costs and have been approved by the Governing Body.

10. LEASES

Rentals applicable to operating leases are charged to the Income and Expenditure account in equal annual amounts over the period of the lease.

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CUNTAS COMHDHLÚITE IONCAIM AGUS CAITEACHAIS

MAR A BHÍ AR 31 LÚNASA 2015

	NÓTA	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
IONCAM			
Deontais Stáit	1	23,358	23,499
Amúchadh Deontas Caipitil larchurtha	18	2,608	2,870
Táillí Neacha Léinn	2	19,428	18,620
Deontais Taighde agus Conarthaí	3	2,098	1,957
Ioncam ó ús		133	267
Ioncam Ciste Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn Aitheanta	4	863	895
Lónadóireacht		1,481	1,447
Ioncam Eile	5	3,592	3,534
		<u>53,561</u>	<u>53,089</u>

	NÓTA	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
CAITEACHAS			
Ranna Acadúla	6	32,194	31,558
Seirbhísí Acadúla	7	2,512	2,521
Costais Saoráidí	8	4,602	4,721
Príomh-Riarachán & Seirbhísí	9	5,728	5,602
Costais Ghinearálta Oideachasúla	10	921	908
Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	11	2,524	2,571
Deontais Taighde agus Conarthaí	3	2,767	2,696
Cistiú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn Feidhmithe	4	952	895
Dímheas	14	2,613	2,878
Costais Lónadóireachta		1,445	1,423
	<u>12</u>	<u>56,258</u>	<u>55,773</u>

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(Easnamh) don bhliain roimh aistriú go Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha		(2,697)	(2,684)
Aistriú go Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha	24	419	226
(Easnamh) don bhliain		(2,278)	(2,458)
Barrachas Carntha ar 1 Meán Fómhair		1,635	4,093
Barrachas Carntha (Easnamh) ar 31 Lúnasa		(643)	1,635

Níl gnóthachan ná caillteanas ar bith ag an Institiúid sa bhliain airgeadais ná sa bhliain airgeadais roimhe sin seachas iad siúd a ndéantar déileáil leo sa Chuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais.

Is cuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais iad an ráiteas maidir le polasaithe cuntasaíochta, an ráiteas faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótáí 1 go 29.

Sínithe ar son an Bhord Rialaithe

UACHTARÁN: Fergal S. de Barra

An Dr Fergal Barry

CATHAOIRLEACH: Des Mahon

Des Mahon

DÁTA: 15/09/2016

15 Meán Fómhair 2016

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

	NOTE	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
INCOME			
State Grants	1	23,358	23,499
Amortisation of Deferred Capital Grants	18	2,608	2,870
Student Fees	2	19,428	18,620
Research Grants and Contracts	3	2,098	1,957
Interest Income		133	267
Student Support Funding Income Recognised	4	863	895
Catering		1,481	1,447
Other Income	5	3,592	3,534
		<u>53,561</u>	<u>53,089</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Academic Departments	6	32,194	31,558
Academic Services	7	2,512	2,521
Facilities Costs	8	4,602	4,721
Central Administration & Services	9	5,728	5,602
General Educational Expenses	10	921	908
Student Services	11	2,524	2,571
Research Grants and Contracts	3	2,767	2,696
Student Support Funding Income Applied	4	952	895
Depreciation	14	2,613	2,878
Catering Costs		1,445	1,423
	<u>12</u>	<u>56,258</u>	<u>55,773</u>
(Deficit) for the year before transfer to Capital Development Reserve		(2,697)	(2,684)
Transfer from Capital Development Reserve	24	419	226
(Deficit) for the year		(2,278)	(2,458)
Accumulated Surplus at 1 September		<u>1,635</u>	<u>4,093</u>
Accumulated (Deficit)/Surplus at 31 August		<u>(643)</u>	<u>1,635</u>

The Institute has no gains or losses in the financial year or the preceding financial year other than those dealt with in the Income & Expenditure Account.

The statement of accounting policies, cash flow statement and Notes 1 to 29 form part of the Financial Statements.

Signed on behalf of the Governing Body

PRESIDENT : _____

Dr. Fergal Barry

CHAIRMAN : _____

Des Mahon

DATE:

15/09/2016
15 September 2016

INSTITIÚID TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA NA GAILLIMHE-MAIGH EO
CLÁR COMHARDAITHE COMHDHLÚITE
MAR A BHÍ AR 31 LÚNASA 2015

	NÓTA	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Sócmhainní Seasta			
Sócmhainní Inláimhsithe	14	64,883	66,270
Sócmhainní Reatha			
Féichiúnaithe agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	16	1,046	1,258
Airgead sa Bhanc nó ar Láimh		10,935	13,017
Stoc		6	7
		11,987	14,282
Dliteanais Reatha			
Creidiúnaithe agus Costais Fhabhráithe: Méideanna dlite laistigh de 1 bliain	17	4,372	3,920
Glansócmhainní Reatha		7,615	10,362
Glansócmhainní		72,498	76,632
Dá Seasann			
Deontais Chaipitil larchurtha	18	64,868	66,263
Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais		(643)	1,635
Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha	24	8,273	8,734
		72,498	76,632

Is cuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais iad an ráiteas maidir le polasaithe cuntasáiochta, na ráitis faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótáí 1 go 29.

Sínithe ar son an Bhoird Rialaithe

UACHTARÁN:



An Dr Fergal Barry

CATHAOIRLEACH:



Des Mahon

DÁTA:



15 Meán Fómhair 2016

GALWAY-MAYO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

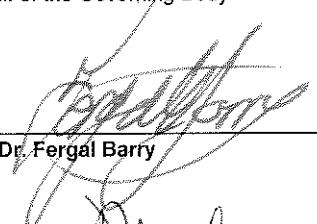
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2015

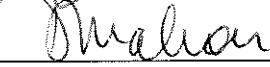
	NOTE	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	14	64,883	66,270
Current Assets			
Debtors and Prepayments	16	1,046	1,258
Cash at Bank and in Hand		10,935	13,017
Stock		6	7
		11,987	14,282
Current Liabilities			
Creditors and accrued expenses : Amounts falling due within 1 year	17	4,372	3,920
Net Current Assets		7,615	10,362
Net Assets		<u>72,498</u>	<u>76,632</u>
Represented By			
Deferred Capital Grants	18	64,868	66,263
Income & Expenditure Account		(643)	1,635
Capital Development Reserve	24	8,273	8,734
		<u>72,498</u>	<u>76,632</u>

The statement of accounting policies, cash flow statement and Notes 1 to 29 form part of the Financial Statements.

Signed on behalf of the Governing Body

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PRESIDENT : 
Dr. Fergal Barry

CHAIRMAN : 
Des Mahon

DATE: 15/09/2016
15 September 2016

INSTITIÚID TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA NA GAILLIMHE-MAIGH EO
CLÁR COMHARDAITHE NA hINSTITIÚIDE
MAR A BHÍ AR 31 LÚNASA 2015

	NÓTA	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Sócmhainní Seasta			
Sócmhainní Inláimhsithe	15	64,868	66,263
Sócmhainní Reatha			
Féichiúnaithe agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	16	1,040	1,229
Airgead sa Bhanc agus ar Láimh		10,747	12,914
		11,787	14,143
Dliteanais Reatha			
Creidiúnaithe agus Costais Fhabhraithe: Méideanna dlite laistigh de 1 bliain	17	4,302	3,889
Glansócmhainní Reatha		7,485	10,254
		<u>72,353</u>	<u>76,517</u>
Dá Seasann			
Deontais Chaipitil larchurtha	18	64,868	66,263
Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais		(788)	1,520
Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha	24	8,273	8,734
		<u>72,353</u>	<u>76,517</u>

Is cuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais iad an ráiteas maidir le polasaithe cuntasaíochta, na ráitis faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótáí 1 go 29.

Sínithe ar son an Bhoird Rialaithe

UACHTARÁN:

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DÁTA:

15 Meán Fómhair 2016

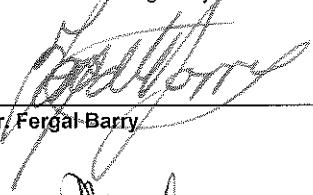
GALWAY-MAYO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

INSTITUTE BALANCE SHEET **AS AT 31 AUGUST 2015**

	NOTE	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	15	64,868	66,263
Current Assets			
Debtors and Prepayments	16	1,040	1,229
Cash at Bank and in Hand		10,747	12,914
		11,787	14,143
Current Liabilities			
Creditors and accrued expenses : Amounts falling due within 1 year	17	4,302	3,889
Net Current Assets		7,485	10,254
Net Assets		<u>72,353</u>	<u>76,517</u>
Represented By			
Deferred Capital Grants	18	64,868	66,263
Income & Expenditure Account		(788)	1,520
Capital Development Reserve	24	8,273	8,734
		<u>72,353</u>	<u>76,517</u>

The statement of accounting policies, cash flow statement and Notes 1 to 29 form part of the Financial Statements.

Signed on behalf of the Governing Body

PRESIDENT : 
Dr. Fergal Barry

CHAIRMAN : 
Des Mahon

DATE: 
15 September 2016

INSTITIÚID TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA NA GAILLIMHE-MAIGH EO

RÁITEAS COMHDHLÚITE FAOI SHREABHADH AIRGID

DON BHЛИAIN DAR CRIOCH 31 LUNASA 2015

	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Brabús/easnamh oibriúcháin a réiteach le hinsreabhadh glan airgid ó ghníomhaiochtaí oibriúcháin		
Easnamh oibriúcháin	(2,697)	(2,684)
Ioncam ó ús	(133)	(267)
Dímheas	2,612	2,878
Amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas sócmhainne	(2,608)	(2,870)
Laghdú ar Stoc	1	-
Laghdú ar Fhéichiúnaithe	172	424
Méadú (Laghdú) ar Chreidiúnaithe	353	(472)
(Eis-sreabhadh) Glan Airgid ó Ghníomhaiochtaí Oibriúcháin	<u>(2,300)</u>	<u>(2,991)</u>

RÁITEAS AR SHREABHADH AIRGID

(Eis-sreabhadh) Glan Airgid ó Ghníomhaiochtaí Oibriúcháin	<u>(2,300)</u>	<u>(2,991)</u>
Fáltais ar Infheistíochtaí & Fónamh ar Airgeadas		
Ús Faichte	178	241
Cánachas Aisíochta/(íochta)	(3)	7
Caiteachas Caipitil		
Íocaíochtaí chun Sócmhainní Seasta a Pháil	(1,129)	(702)
Fáltais ó Dhiúscairt Sócmhainní Seasta	1	-
Eis-sreabhadh Glan do Chaiteachas Caipitil	<u>(1,128)</u>	<u>(702)</u>
Airgeadú		
Deontais Chaipitil Stáit Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	123	209
Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	815	240
Cistí eile Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	233	196
Insreabhadh Glan Airgid ó Mhaoiniú	<u>1,171</u>	<u>645</u>
(Laghdú) ar airgead	<u>(2,082)</u>	<u>(2,800)</u>

Réiteach insreabhadh glan airgid le gluaiseachtaí i nglanchistí

Méadú ar airgead	13,017	15,817
Glanachistí oibriúcháin	10,935	13,017
Glanachistí ar 31 Lúnasa	<u>(2,082)</u>	<u>(2,800)</u>

Is cuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais iad na ráitis maidir le polasaithe cuntasaíochta, na ráitis faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótáí 1 go 29.

Sínithe ar son an Bhoird Rialaithe

UACHTARÁN:

An Dr Fergal Barry

CATHAOIRLEACH:

Des Mahon

DÁTA:

15 Meán Fómhair 2016

GALWAY-MAYO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

	2015 €'000	2014 €'000
Reconciliation of operating profit/deficit to net cash inflow from operating activities		
Operating deficit	(2,697)	(2,684)
Interest Income	(133)	(267)
Depreciation	2,612	2,878
Amortisation in line with asset Depreciation	(2,608)	(2,870)
Decrease in Stocks	1	-
Decrease in Debtors	172	424
Increase/ (Decrease) in Creditors	353	(472)
Net Cash (Outflow) from Operating Activities	(2,300)	(2,991)

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Net Cash (Outflow) from Operating Activities	(2,300)	(2,991)
Returns on Investment & Servicing of Finance		
Interest Received	178	241
Taxation(Paid)/Refund	(3)	7
Capital Expenditure		
Payments to acquire Fixed Assets	(1,129)	(702)
Proceeds from the Disposal of Fixed Assets	1	-
Net Cash Outflow for Capital Expenditure	(1,128)	(702)
Financing		
State Capital Grants spent on Fixed Assets	123	209
State Recurrent Grant spent on Fixed Assets	815	240
Other Funds Spent on Fixed Assets	233	196
Net Cash inflow from Financing	1,171	645
(Decrease) in Cash	(2,082)	(2,800)

Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds

Increase in cash		
Opening net funds	13,017	15,817
Net funds at 31 August	10,935	13,017

The statement of accounting policies, cash flow statement and Notes 1 to 29 form part of the Financial Statements.

Signed on behalf of the Governing Body

PRESIDENT: _____

Dr. Fergal Barry

CHAIRMAN: _____

Des Mahon

DATE : _____

15 September 2016

INSTITIÚID TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA NA GAILLIMHE-MAIGH EO

NÓTAÍ DO NA RÁITIS AIRGEADAIS

	Leithdháilte le haghaidh Caiteachas Athfhillteach	Leithdháilte le haghaidh Caiteachas Caipitil	lomlán 2015	lomlán 2014
	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000
1. DEONTAIS STÁIT				
Is achoimre é seo a leanas ar na Deontais Stáit atá aitheanta sa bhliain:				
Deontas Stáit do Chaiteachas Athfhillteach – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	22,731	815	23,546	23,904
Deontas Stáit do Chaiteachas Caipitil - Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	-	-	-	44
Deontas Stáit do Mhionoibreacha Caipitil - Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	627	123	750	0
lomlán 2015	<u>23,358</u>	<u>938</u>	<u>24,296</u>	
lomlán 2014	<u>23,499</u>	<u>449</u>	<u>23,948</u>	

Íocann an Ciste Sóisialta Eorpach fóirdheontas i leith costas lomlán roinnt cúrsaí Ardteastais agus Gnáthchéime ag an Leibhéal Náisiúnta. Tá na deontais stáit do chaiteachas athfhillteach páirtmhaoinithe as an gcúnamh AE seo.

	(Líon Neacha Léinn) 2015 € '000 (CLA)	(Líon Neacha Léinn) 2014 € '000 (CLA)
2. TÁILLÍ NEACHA LÉINN		
Táillí iofcha ag an Stát	3,405	4,518
Táillí Neamh-AE	624	101
Táillí iofcha ag neacha léinn nó ar son neach léinn	487	613
Táillí Foghlaim ar Feadh an tSaoil	453	130
Ollchionn Tairbhe Neacha Léinn, táillí athscrúdaithe san áireamh	14,455	12,691
Aistriú go/ó Chuntas Caipitil	4	(12)
	<u>19,428</u>	<u>5,362</u>
		<u>18,620</u>
		<u>5,212</u>

Díoc an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas Táillí Teagaisc sa bhliain de €2,271,347 (13/14 €2,230,937) do chúrsaí Céime lánimseartha, €500,432 (13/14 €1,215,496) do chúrsaí ardteastais agus gnáthchéime agus €700,112 (13/14 €700,112) do chúrsaí céime altranais lánimseartha a bpáirtmhaoinfonn an ESF na costais lomlána.

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Luaitear líon na neach léinn mar chóibhéisí lánimseartha, bunaithe ar chreidiúintí clárúcháin.

Tá tálli bliantúla iníochta ag neacha léinn, a bhfuil an ráta lánimseartha socraithe ag €2,750 (2014/15), €2,500 (2013/14).

	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
3. DEONTAIS TAIGHDE & CONARTHAÍ		
Ioncam		
Deontas Taighde agus Conartháí	2,225	2,049
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(127)	(92)
	<u>2,098</u>	<u>1,957</u>
Caiteachas		
Costais Phá	1,152	1,238
Costais Neamhphá	1,615	1,458
	<u>2,767</u>	<u>2,696</u>
(Easnamh)		
	<u>(669)</u>	<u>(739)</u>

	Ciste Cabhrach Neacha Léinn € '000	Ciste Neacha Léinn faoi Mhíchumas € '000	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
4. CISTIÚ TACAÍOCHTA NEACHA LÉINN				
Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair	0	95	95	297
Fáltais	272	600	872	772
Lúide Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	-	(106)	(106)	(79)
Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa	2		2	(95)
	<u>274</u>	<u>589</u>	<u>863</u>	<u>895</u>
<i>Méideanna Feidhmithe</i>				
Costais Phá	-	650	650	503
Costais Neamhphá	274	28	302	392
	<u>274</u>	<u>678</u>	<u>952</u>	<u>895</u>
(Easnamh)				
	<u>(89)</u>	<u>(89)</u>	<u>(89)</u>	<u>(89)</u>

Cuireann an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas maoiniú ar fáil faoin bPlean Forbartha Náisiúnta agus déanann Ciste Sóisialta na hEorpa é a pháirtmhaoiniú.

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	Allocated for Recurrent Expenditure €'000	Allocated for Capital Expenditure €'000	Total 2015 €'000	Total 2014 €'000
1. STATE GRANTS				
The following is a summary of State Grants recognised in the year:				
State Grant for Recurrent Expenditure - Higher Education Authority	22,731	815	23,546	23,904
State Grant for Capital Expenditure - Higher Education Authority	-	-	-	44
State Grant for Minor Capital Works - Higher Education Authority	627	123	750	0
Total 2015	23,358	938	24,296	
Total 2014			23,499	449
				23,948

The total cost of certain Higher Certificate and Ordinary Degree courses is subvented by the European Social Fund (ESF) at a national level. State grants for recurrent expenditure are partly funded from this EU assistance.

	2015 € '000	Student No's (WTE)	2014 € '000	Student No's (WTE)
2. STUDENT FEES				
Fees paid by State	3,405	4,518	4,137	4,412
Non EU Fees	624	101	744	120
Fees paid by students or on behalf of students	487	613	581	562
Lifelong Learning Fees	453	130	479	118
Student Contribution including repeat exam fees	14,455		12,691	
Transfer to/from Capital Account	4		(12)	
	19,428	5,362	18,620	5,212

The Higher Education Authority paid Tuition Fees in the year of €2,271,347 (13/14 €2,230,937) for full time Degree courses, €500,432 (13/14 €1,215,496) for higher certificate and ordinary degree courses and €700,112 (13/14 €700,112) for full time nursing degree courses the total costs of which are partly funded by the ESF.

Student numbers are stated as wholetime equivalents, based on enrolled credits.

Annual Contribution fees are payable by students, the full time rate being set at €2,750 (2014/15), €2,500 (2013/14).

	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
3. RESEARCH GRANTS & CONTRACTS		
Income		
Research Grants and Contracts	2,225	2,049
Transfer to Capital Account	(127)	(92)
	2,098	1,957
Expenditure		
Pay Costs	1,152	1,238
Non Pay Costs	1,615	1,458
(Deficit)	2,767	2,696
	(669)	(739)

	Student Assistance Fund € '000	Fund for Students with Disabilities € '000	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
4. STUDENT SUPPORT FUNDING				
Balance at 1 September	0	95	95	297
Receipts	272	600	872	772
Less Transfer to Capital Account	-	(106)	(106)	(79)
Balance at 31 August	2		2	(95)
	274	589	863	895

Amounts Applied

Pay Costs	-	650	650	503
Non Pay Costs	274	28	302	392
(Deficit)	274	678	952	895
	-	(89)	(89)	-

Funding is provided by the Higher Education Authority under the National Development Plan and is part funded by the European Social Fund.

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	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
5. IONCAM EILE		
Aisbhaintí Aoisliúntais Coinnithe	2,244	2,173
Cíos ar Shaoráidí	280	283
Fáltais ar Dhiúscairt Sócmhainní Seasta	1	-
Costais a forchúitíodh i leith fairne ar iasachta	107	83
Díolachán Ábhar Teagaisc	355	363
Seirbhísí Fótachóipeála	2	2
Tionscnamh Springboard & Scileanna ICT	273	415
Ioncam Eile	334	228
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(4)	(13)
	3,592	3,534

6. RANNA ACADÚLA

Costais Phá	30,395	29,907
Costais Neamhphá	1,799	1,651
Iomlán	32,194	31,558

7. SEIRBHÍSÍ ACADÚLA

Costais Phá	1,912	1,894
Costais Neamhphá	600	627
Iomlán	2,512	2,521

8. COSTAIS SAORÁIDÍ

Costais Phá	1,502	1,579
Costais Neamhphá	3,100	3,142
Iomlán	4,602	4,721

9. PRÍOMHRIARACHÁN AGUS SEIRBHÍSI

Costais Phá	3,622	3,594
Costais Neamhphá	2,106	2,008
Iomlán	5,728	5,602

10. COSTAIS GHINEARÁLTA OIDEACHAIS

SCRÚDUITHE:			
Costais Phá	551	507	
Costais Neamhphá	370	401	
Iomlán	921	908	

11. SEIRBHÍSI NEACHA LÉINN

	Costais Foirne € '000	Neamh-Phá € '000	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Fóirdheontas do Chlubanna, Chumainn agus Aontas na Neach Léinn	-	767	767	793
Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	853	425	1,278	1,250
Seirbhísí Comhairleacha Gairme	68	15	83	80
Spórt & Áineas	17	2	19	18
Sláinte & Comhairleoireacht	272	105	377	430
	1,210	1,314	2,524	2,571

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		2015 € '000	2014 € '000	
5. OTHER INCOME				
Superannuation Deductions Retained		2,244	2,173	
Rental of Facilities		280	283	
Proceeds on Disposal of Fixed Assets		1	-	
Pay costs recouped in respect of seconded staff		107	83	
Sale of Class Materials		355	363	
Photocopying Services		2	2	
Springboard & ICT Skills Initiative		273	415	
Other Income		334	228	
Transfer to Capital Account		(4)	(13)	
		<u>3,592</u>	<u>3,534</u>	
6. ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS				
Pay Costs		30,395	29,907	
Non Pay Costs		1,799	1,651	
Total		<u>32,194</u>	<u>31,558</u>	
7. ACADEMIC SERVICES				
Pay Costs		1,912	1,894	
Non Pay Costs		600	627	
Total		<u>2,512</u>	<u>2,521</u>	
8. FACILITIES COSTS				
Pay Costs		1,502	1,579	
Non Pay Costs		3,100	3,142	
Total		<u>4,602</u>	<u>4,721</u>	
9. CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICES				
Pay Costs		3,622	3,594	
Non Pay Costs		2,106	2,008	
Total		<u>5,728</u>	<u>5,602</u>	
10. GENERAL EDUCATION EXPENSES				
EXAMINATIONS:				
Pay Costs		551	507	
Non Pay Costs		370	401	
Total		<u>921</u>	<u>908</u>	
11. STUDENT SERVICES	Staff Costs €'000	Non-Pay €'000	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Subvention to Clubs, Societies and Students Union	-	767	767	793
Student Services	853	425	1,278	1,250
Career Advisory Services	68	15	83	80
Sports & Recreation	17	2	19	18
Health & Counselling	272	105	377	430
	<u>1,210</u>	<u>1,314</u>	<u>2,524</u>	<u>2,571</u>

INSTITIÚID TEICNEOLAÍOCHTA NA GAILLIMHE-MAIGH EO

NÓTAÍ DO NA RÁITIS AIRGEADAIS

	Costais	Costais	Dímheas	Iomlán	Iomlán
	Foirne	Oibriúcháin		2015	2014
	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000
12. ANAILÍS AR CHAITEACHAS					
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	1,152	1,615	183	2,950	2,998
Ranna Acadúla	30,395	1,800	427	32,622	32,077
Seirbhísí Acadúla	1,912	600	136	2,648	2,701
Costais Saoráidí	1,502	3,100	1,755	6,357	6,500
Príomhriarachán & Seirbhísí	3,622	2,105	24	5,751	5,636
Costais Ghinearálta Oideachais	551	370	-	921	908
Seirbhísí & Saoráidí Neacha Léinn	1,860	1,616	82	3,558	3,524
Lónadóireacht	766	679	6	1,451	1,429
Iomlán 2015	41,760	11,885	2,613	56,258	
Iomlán 2014	41,128	11,767	2,878	55,773	

Anailís ar Chaiteachas Oibriúcháin Eile

Seirbhísí do Neacha Léinn	1,206	1,354
Costais Choithabhála	1,035	1,193
Táillí Gairmiúla	964	880
Costais ar Fhuinneamh	925	905
Oideachas Ginearálta	905	946
Ábhair & Tomhaltáin Eile	888	769
Lónadóireacht	679	677
Taisteal & Cothú	647	643
Ilghnéitheach	574	411
Trealamh	555	459
Costais ar Áitribh Eile	527	446
Costais Ríomhaire	525	543
Cíos agus Rátaí	408	429
Costais Pearsanra	341	352
Ábhair Leabharlainne	301	320
Deontais Neacha Léinn larchéime	256	225
Fógraíocht Ghinearálta & Poiblíocht	235	238
Stáiseanóiracht & Ábhair Oifige	232	276
Cumarsáid	202	205
Soláthar in aghaidh drochfhiach	172	241
Árachas	161	133
Costais Eile Taighde	76	52
Costais Airgeadais	42	41
Luach Saothair Iníúchóra	28	28
Costais an Bhord Rialaithe	1	1
	11,885	11,767

13. CÁNACHAS

Tá gníomhaíochtaí na hInstitiúide saor ó Chánachas Corparáideach, faoi Ordú Stádas Carthanacht

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	Other			Total 2015	Total 2014
	Staff Costs € '000	Operating Expenses € '000	Depreciation € '000		
12. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE					
Research Grants & Contracts	1,152	1,615	183	2,950	2,998
Academic Departments	30,395	1,800	427	32,622	32,077
Academic Services	1,912	600	136	2,648	2,701
Facilities Costs	1,502	3,100	1,755	6,357	6,500
Central Administration & Services	3,622	2,105	24	5,751	5,636
General Education Expenses	551	370	-	921	908
Student Services & Amenities	1,860	1,616	82	3,558	3,524
Catering	766	679	6	1,451	1,429
2015 Total	41,760	11,885	2,613	56,258	
2014 Total	41,128	11,767	2,878		55,773

Analysis of Other Operating Expenditure

Services to students	1,206	1,354
Maintenance Costs	1,035	1,193
Professional Fees	964	880
Energy Costs	925	905
General Education	905	946
Materials & Other Consumables	888	769
Catering	679	677
Travel & Subsistence	647	643
Miscellaneous	574	411
Equipment	555	459
Other Premises Costs	527	446
Computer costs	525	543
Rent and Rates	408	429
Personnel Costs	341	352
Library Materials	301	320
Postgraduate Student Grants	256	225
General Advertising & Publicity	235	238
Stationery & office materials	232	276
Communications	202	205
Bad Debts Provision	172	241
Insurance	161	133
Other Research Costs	76	52
Finance costs	42	41
Auditors Remuneration	28	28
Governing body expenses	1	1
	11,885	11,767

13. TAXATION

The activities of the Institute are exempt from Corporation Taxation, under a Charitable Status Order.

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14. SOCMHANNÍ SEASSTA INLÁIMHSITHE COMHDHLÚITE		IOMLÁN	TALAMH & FOIRGNIMH	FOIRGNIMH I mbUN TÓGÁLA € '000	DAINGNEÁIN & FEISTÍ RÉAMHDHÉANTÁIN SAN ÁIREAMH € '000	TREALAMH RIOMHAIRE € '000	GLÉASRA & INNEALRA € '000	FEITHICLÍ MÓTAIR € '000	TROSCÁN & TREALAMH € '000	SÓCMHANNÍ EILE i mbUN TÓGÁLA € '000
COSTAS NÓ LUACHÁIL		€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000
Ar 1 MEÁN FÓMHAIR 2014	105,298	89,378	795	1,700	3,403	697	94	9,006	225	
BREISEANNA	1,227	-	147	40	691	-	4	296	49	
AISTRITHE Ó I mbUN TÓGÁLA	-	129	(129)	24	-	-	-	-	(24)	
DIÚSCAIRTÍ	(53)	-	-	-	(9)	-	(3)	(41)	-	
AR 31 LÚNASA 2015	106,472	89,507	813	1,764	4,085	697	95	9,261	250	

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AR 1 MEÁN FÓMHAIR 2014	39,028	25,958	-	1,560	2,865	570	93	7,982	-
MUIREAR DON BHLIAIN	2,613	1,632	-	31	403	47	1	499	-
DIÚSCAIRTÍ	(52)	-	-	-	(9)	-	(2)	(41)	-
AR 31 LÚNASA 2015	41,589	27,590	-	1,591	3,259	617	92	8,440	

GLANLUACH DE RÉIR NA LEABHAR

AR 31 LÚNASA 2015	64,883	61,917	813	173	826	80	3	821	250
AR 1 MEÁN FÓMHAIR 2014	66,270	63,420	795	140	538	127	1	1,024	225

Leagadh luach nílasach ar thalamh na hInstitiúide ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaithé) agus luacháladh breiseanna talún ina dhiaidh sin ar a goostas stairiúil.
 Luacháiladh foirgnimh ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaithé) ar bhonn costais dhimheasta athsholáthair agus luachánlaídh breiseanna ina dhiaidh sin ar a goostas stairiúil.

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14. CONSOLIDATED TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

COST OR VALUATION	BUILDINGS		FIXTURES & FITTINGS		COMPUTER EQUIPMENT		PLANT & MACHINERY		MOTOR VEHICLES EQUIPMENT		FURNITURE & IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION	OTHER ASSETS
	LAND & BUILDINGS		IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION		INCL PREFABS		€'000		€'000		€'000	€'000
	TOTAL	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
AT 1 SEPTEMBER 2014	105,298	89,378	795	1,700	3,403	697	94	9,006	-	-	225	
ADDITIONS	1,227	-	147	40	691	-	4	296	-	-	49	
TRANSFERS FROM IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION	-	-	129	(129)	24	-	-	-	-	-	(24)	
DISPOSALS	(53)	-	-	-	-	(9)	-	-	(3)	(41)	-	
AT 31 AUGUST 2015	<u>106,472</u>	<u>89,507</u>	<u>813</u>	<u>1,764</u>	<u>4,085</u>	<u>697</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>9,261</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
DEPRECIATION												
AT 1 SEPTEMBER 2014	39,028	25,958	-	-	1,560	2,865	570	93	7,982	-	-	
CHARGE FOR YEAR	2,613	1,632	-	-	31	403	47	1	499	-	-	
DISPOSALS	(52)	-	-	-	(9)	-	(2)	(2)	(41)	-	-	
AT 31 AUGUST 2015	<u>41,589</u>	<u>27,590</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,591</u>	<u>3,259</u>	<u>617</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>8,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
NET BOOK VALUE												
AT 31 AUGUST 2015	<u>64,883</u>	<u>61,917</u>	<u>813</u>	<u>173</u>	<u>826</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>821</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
AT 1 SEPTEMBER 2014	<u>66,270</u>	<u>63,420</u>	<u>795</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>538</u>	<u>127</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1,024</u>	<u>225</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	

Institute land on 1st January, 1993 (date of commencement order) was valued at nil and subsequent land additions are valued at historical cost.
Buildings on 1st January, 1993 (date of commencement order) were valued on a depreciated replacement cost basis and subsequent additions are valued at historical cost.

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15. SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASSTA INLÁIMHSITHE

	IOMLÁN	TALAMH & FOIRGNIMH	FOIRGNIMH I mbUN TÓGÁLA € '000	DAINGNEÁIN & FEISTÍ RÉAMHDHÉANTÁIN SAN ÁIREAMH € '000	TREALAMH RIOMHAIRE € '000	GLÉASRA & INNEALRA € '000	FEITHICLÍ MÓTAIR € '000	TROSCÁN & TREALAMH € '000	SÓCMHAINNÍ EILE i mbUN TÓGÁLA € '000
COSTAS NÓ LUACHÁIL	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000	€ '000
Ar 1 MEÁN FÓMHAIR 2014	105,260	89,378	795	1,700	3,403	697	94	8968	225
BREISEANNA	1,213	-	147	40	691	-	4	282	49
AISTRITHE Ó I mbUN TÓGÁLA	-	129	(129)	24	-	-	-	-	(24)
DIÚSCAIRTÍ	(53)	-	-	-	(9)	-	(3)	(41)	-
AR 31 LÚNASA 2015	106,420	89,507	813	1,764	4,085	697	95	9,209	250

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AR 1 MEÁN FÓMHAIR 2014	38,997	25,958	-	1,560	2,865	570	93	7,951	-
MUIREAR DON BHLIAIN	2,607	1,632	-	31	403	47	1	493	-
DIÚSCAIRTÍ	(52)	-	-	0	(9)	0	(2)	(41)	-
AR 31 LÚNASA 2015	41,552	27,590	-	1,591	3,259	617	92	8,403	-

GLANLUACH DE RÉIR NA LEABHAR

AR 31 LÚNASA 2015	64,868	61,917	813	173	826	80	3	806	250
AR 1 MEÁN FÓMHAIR 2014	66,263	63,420	795	140	538	127	1	1,017	225

Leagadh luach nílasach ar thalamh na hInstitiúide ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaithe) agus luacháladh breiseanna talún ina dhiaidh sin ar a gcostas stairiúil.
 Luacháladh foirgnimh ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaithe) ar bhonn costais dhimheasta athsholáthair agus luachánlaídh breiseanna ina dhiaidh sin ar a gcostas stairiúil.

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	BUILDINGS LAND & TOTAL €'000	IN COURSE OF BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTION €'000	FITTINGS INCL PREFABS €'000	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT €'000	PLANT & MACHINERY €'000	MOTOR VEHICLES €'000	FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION €'000	OTHER ASSETS
COST OR VALUATION								
AT 1 SEPTEMBER 2014	105,260	89,378	795	1,700	3,403	697	94	8,968
ADDITIONS	1,213	-	147	40	691	-	4	282
TRANSFERS FROM IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION	-	129	(129)	24	-	-	-	49
DISPOSALS	(53)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(24)
AT 31 AUGUST 2015	106,420	89,507	813	1,764	(9)	4,085	(41)	250
DEPRECIATION								
AT 1 SEPTEMBER 2014	38,997	25,958	-	1,560	2,865	570	93	7,951
CHARGE FOR YEAR	2,607	1,632	-	31	403	47	1	493
DISPOSALS	(52)	-	-	0	(9)	0	(2)	-
AT 31 AUGUST 2015	41,552	27,590	-	1,591	3,259	617	92	8,403
NET BOOK VALUE								
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	NÓTA	Comhdhlúite			Institiúid		
		2015 € '000	2014 € '000		2015 € '000	2014 € '000	
16. FÉICHIÚNAITHE AGUS RÉAMHÍOCAÍOCHTAÍ							
Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit		37	-		37	-	
Táillí Neacha Léinn		151	150		151	150	
Maoiniú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn		2	-		2	-	
Deontais Choithbhála Neacha Léinn	22	-	3		0	3	
Féichiúnaithe Eile		208	254		205	227	
Réamhíocaíochtaí & Ioncam Fabhraithe		391	412		388	410	
Deontais Stáit & Deontais Chaipitil Eile		53	53		53	53	
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí		204	386		204	386	
		<u>1,046</u>	<u>1,258</u>		<u>1,040</u>	<u>1,229</u>	
17. CREIDIÚNAITHE AGUS COSTAIS FHABHRAITHE							
Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit		-	35		-	35	
Íocaíochtaí a fuarthas roimh ré:							
-Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí		835	467		835	467	
-Táillí Neacha Léinn		721	643		721	643	
-Cistiú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn		-	95		-	95	
		<u>1,556</u>	<u>1,240</u>		<u>1,556</u>	<u>1,240</u>	
Creidiúnaithe Trádála agus Fabhruithe							
ÍMAT		660	680		660	675	
ÁSPC		349	347		349	342	
Cáin Ioncaim Choinnithe		16	12		16	12	
Creidiúnaithe Trádála		270	186		264	179	
Fabhruithe		1,521	1,455		1,457	1,441	
		<u>4,372</u>	<u>3,920</u>		<u>4,302</u>	<u>3,889</u>	
18. DEONTAIS CHAIPITIL IARCHURTHA							
		2015 € '000	2014 € '000				
Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair					<u>66,263</u>	<u>68,421</u>	
Deontais Chaipitil Infhála:							
Deontais Chaipitil Stáit – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas		123	209				
Cionroinnté ón Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit - Údarás um Ard-Oideachas		815	240				
Cistiú Caipitil Eile		275	263				
		<u>1,213</u>	<u>712</u>				
Scaoil d'loncam:							
Amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas		2,607	2,870				
Scaoil d'loncam re NBV ar Dhiúscairtí		1	-				
Díscríobh d'ioncam re Díscríobh sócmhainní i mbun tógála		-	-				
		<u>2,608</u>	<u>2,870</u>				
Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa					<u>64,868</u>	<u>66,263</u>	
19. CEANGALTAIS LÉASA							
Tá na hoibleagáidí seo a leanas ar GMIT faoi léasanna oibriúcháin le linn na bliana i ndiaidh go n-éagann an ceangaltais:							
		2015 € '000	2014 € '000				
Laistigh d'aon bliain amháin		257	257				
Laistigh de dhá bliain go cúig bliana		-	-				
Níos déanaí ná cúig bliana		17	17				
Iomlán		<u>274</u>	<u>274</u>				
20. TEAGMHAIS							
Ní raibh aon Dliteanais Theagmhasacha ann mar a bhí ar 31 Lúnasa 2015.							

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16. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS					
State Recurrent Grant		37	-	37	-
Student Fees		151	150	151	150
Student Support Funding		2	-	2	-
Student Maintenance Grants	22	-	3	0	3
Other Debtors		208	254	205	227
Prepayments & Accrued Income		391	412	388	410
State & Other Capital Grant		53	53	53	53
Research Grants & Contracts		204	386	204	386
		<u>1,046</u>	<u>1,258</u>	<u>1,040</u>	<u>1,229</u>

17. CREDITORS AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

State Recurrent Grant	-	35	-	35
Payments received in advance:				
- Research Grants & Contracts	835	467	835	467
- Student Fees	721	643	721	643
- Student Support Funding	-	95	-	95
	<u>1,556</u>	<u>1,240</u>	<u>1,556</u>	<u>1,240</u>
Trade Creditors and Accruals:				
PAYE	660	680	660	675
PRSI	349	347	349	342
Income Tax Withheld	16	12	16	12
Trade Creditors	270	186	264	179
Accruals	<u>1,521</u>	<u>1,455</u>	<u>1,457</u>	<u>1,441</u>
	<u>4,372</u>	<u>3,920</u>	<u>4,302</u>	<u>3,889</u>

18. DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS

	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Balance at 1 September	<u>66,263</u>	<u>68,421</u>
Capital Grants Receivable :		
State Capital Grants - Higher Education Authority	123	209
Allocated from State Recurrent Grant - Higher Education Authority	815	240
Other Capital Funding	275	263
	<u>1,213</u>	<u>712</u>
Release to Income:		
Amortisation in line with depreciation	2,607	2,870
Release to Income re NBV on Disposals	1	-
Release to income re Write down assets in course of construction	-	-
	<u>2,608</u>	<u>2,870</u>
Balance at 31 August	<u>64,868</u>	<u>66,263</u>

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19. LEASING COMMITMENTS

GMIT has the following obligations under operating leases during the next year for which the commitment expires:

	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Within one year	257	257
Within two to five years	-	-
Later than five years	17	17
Total	<u>274</u>	<u>274</u>

20. CONTINGENCIES

There were no Contingent Liabilities as at 31st August, 2015.

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21. CEANGALTAIS CHAIPITIL AR CONRADH ACH GAN BHEITH SOLÁTHRAITHE

Bhí Ceangaltais Chaipitil measta dar luach €102,122 (13/14 €141,307) ann ag deireadh na tréimhse.

22. DEONTAIS CHOTHABHÁLA NEACHA LÉINN

	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair	(3)	(4)
Fáltais ón ÚAO (Rannóg na gColáistí)	113	776
Fáltais ón ÚAO (Aonad Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn)	39	283
Íocaíochtaí le Neacha Léinn	(110)	(776)
Íocaíochtaí le Neacha Léinn (Breisithe)	(39)	(282)
Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa	<u>-</u>	<u>(3)</u>

Déanann an Institiúid próiseáil ar íocaíochtaí le neacha léinn i dtaca le deontais chothabhála a chuireann an CGO nó Údarás Áitiúil ábhartha in iúl. Cuireann an Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna cistiú ar fáil do na híocaíochtaí sin agus cuireann an Ciste Sóisialta Eorpach (CSE) cómhaoiniú ar fáil. Níl na hidirbhearta sin cuimsithe ar leithligh sa Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais. Ó 1 Meán Fómhair 2012 i leith leithdháileadh an fhreagracht as Oiliúint Tríú Leibhéal agus Deontais Bhreisithe do SUSI (Tacaíocht Uilíoch Neacha Léinn Éireann). Leanann an Institiúid de bheith i mbun an Deontas Oiliúna Tríú Leibhéal a foc i leith neach léinn a chuir túis lena staidéar roimh an dáta sin, déanann an Institiúid próiseáil i gcónaí ar íocaíochtaí an Deontais Oiliúna Tríú Leibhéal. Dá bhrí sin tá leibhéal na ndeontas a ndéanann an Institiúid próiseáil orthu ag dul i laghad i ngach tréimhse agus déanfaidh SUSI na híocaíochtaí go léir ó 2015/16 ar aghaidh.

23. LÍON NA bhFOSTAITHÉ CÓIBHÉISEACHA LÁNAMEARTHÁ ATÁ FOSTAITHE

	2015 Mar atá athluaithe 2014
Príomhbhaill Foirne	617
Baill Foirne Taighde maoinithe ag an Státhchiste	12
Foireann Taighde agus/nó Saineolaí Tionscadal-bhunaithe eile	30
Maoinithe ó fhoinsí neamh-Státhchiste	21
Iomlán	<u>680</u>
	<u>664</u>

24. CÚLCHISTE CAIPITIL FORBARTHA

	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Iarmhéid tosaigh ar 1 Meán Fómhair	8,734	9,027
Aistriú go Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais	(419)	(226)
	<u>8,315</u>	<u>8,801</u>
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(42)	(67)
Méid an chiste ar 31 Lúnasa	<u>8,273</u>	<u>8,734</u>

Is éard atá sa Chúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha ná na méideanna atá curtha ar leataobh as na Táillí a iocann na Neacha Léinn, atá cionroinnt do Shaoráidí Neacha Léinn sa todhchaí.

25. FIGIÚIRÍ COMPARÁIDEACHA

De réir mar is gá, tá atheagar curtha ar na figiúirí comparáideacha agus tá siad athluaithe ar an mbonn céanna le figiúirí na bliana reatha.

26. NOCHTADH IDIRBHEART - BAILL AN BHORD RIALAITHE

I gngáthchúrsaí gnó, féadfaidh an Institiúid socruithe conartha a dhéanamh le gnóthais ina bhfuil baill an Bhord Rialaithe fostaithe nó a bhfuil leasanna acu iontu ar chaoi eile. Tá gnáthaimh glactha ag an Institiúid de réir an Chód Rialachais d’Institiúid Teicneolaíochta in Éirinn i dtaca le noctadtadh leasanna ag baill an Bhoird agus chloígh an Institiúid leis na gnáthaimh sin le linn na bliana. Ní dheachaigh an Institiúid isteach i socruithe conartha ar bith dá leithéid in 2014/2015.

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21. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS CONTRACTED FOR BUT NOT PROVIDED

Estimated Capital Commitments €102,122 (13/14 €141,307) existed at the end of the period.

22. STUDENT MAINTENANCE GRANTS	2015	2014
	€ '000	€ '000
Balance at 1 September	(3)	(4)
Receipts from HEA (Colleges Section)	113	776
Receipts from HEA (Student Support Unit)	39	283
Payments to Students	(110)	(776)
Payments to Students (Top ups)	(39)	(282)
Balance at 31 August	-	(3)

The Institute processes payments to students in respect of maintenance grants which are notified by the relevant VEC or Local Authority. Funding for these payments is provided by the Department of Education and Skills with co funding provided by the European Social Fund (ESF). These transactions are not included separately in the Income and Expenditure Account. From 1st September 2012 responsibility of Third Level Training and Top up Grants was allocated to SUSI (Student Universal Support Ireland). For students that commenced study prior to this date, the payment of Third Level Training Grant continues to be processed by the Institute. The level of grants processed by the Institute is therefore reducing in each period and from 2015/2016 all payments will be made by SUSI.

23. NUMBER OF WHOLETIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES EMPLOYED	As Restated	
	2015	2014
Core Staff	617	603
Exchequer Funded Research Staff	12	11
Other Research and/or Specialist Project-based	30	28
Funded from non-Exchequer sources	21	22
Total	680	664

24. CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT RESERVE	2015	2014
	€ '000	€ '000
Opening balance at 1 September	8,734	9,027
Transfer to Income & Expenditure Account	(419)	(226)
	8,315	8,801
Transfer to Capital Account	(42)	(67)
Amount of fund at 31 August	8,273	8,734

The Capital Development Reserve represents amounts set aside from Student Registration fees paid by Students which have been allocated for future Student Facilities.

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25. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Where necessary, the comparative figures have been reorganised and restated on the same basis as the current year figures.

26. DISCLOSURE OF TRANSACTIONS - GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS

In the normal course of business, the Institute may enter into contractual arrangements with undertakings in which Institute's Governing Body members are employed or otherwise interested. The Institute had adopted procedures in accordance with the the Code of Governance of Irish Institutes of Technology in relation to the disclosure of interests by members of the Board and the Institute has complied with these procedures during the year. The Institute did not enter any such contractual arrangements in 2014/2015.

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27. FOGNÓTHAIS AGUS GNÓTHAIS GHAOLMHARA

Cuireann GMIT Catering Company Limited, cuideachta ar leithligh gan scarchaipiteal ar bith agus faoi theorainn ráthaíochta, na háiseanna lónadóireachta ar fáil san Institiúid. Tá an Institiúid freagrach as an gcuideachta a reáchtáil. Tá torthái na cuideachta comhdhlúite sna Ráitis Airgeadais seo. Cuimsíonn an Cuntas Comhdhlúite loncaim & Caiteachais, an Clár Comhardaithe agus an Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid ar leathanaigh 10, 11 agus 13 faoi seach eolas maidir leis an GMIT Catering Company Limited. Tá torthái airgeadais na cuideachta leagtha amach thíos don bhliain dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2014.

	2015	2014
	€ '000	€ '000
Díolacháin	1,481	1,447
Costais Foirne	766	746
Tomhaltain & Costais Eile	679	677
Caiteachas lomlán gan Dímheas san Áireamh	1,445	1,423
Dímheas	6	5
	1,451	1,428
Barrachas tar éis Dímheasa	30	19
Barrachas Carntha Tosaigh ar 1 Meán Fómhair	114	95
Barrachas Carntha ar 31 Lúnasa	144	114

28. GNÓTHAS LEANTACH

Thabhaigh GMIT easnaimh oibriúcháin i ngach ceann de na blianta dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2012, 31 Lúnasa 2013, 31 Lúnasa 2014 agus 31 Lúnasa 2015.. Is eol don Institiúid go mbeidh mar thoradh ar a thuilleadh easnamh den méid sin ídiú cúlchistí, rud a d'fhéadfadh amhras a chaitheamh ar stádas ghnóthas leantach na hInstitiúide sa meántearma.

Ar na príomhthosca is cúis leis na heasnaimh seo tá:

1. Laghduithe ar an Deontas Stáit le gníomhaíochtaí athfhillteacha a mhaoiniú.
 2. Na Deontais Stáit le haghaidh infheistíochtaí caipítíl a mhaoiniú a bheith ar fionraí, amhail trealamh, trealamh ríomhaire, daingneáin agus feistí. Laghdaíonn an gá le cistiú athfhillteach le haghaidh cuspóirí caipítíl a chionroinnt an t-ioncam atá ar fáil chun gníomhaíochtaí athfhillteacha a chistiú.

Tá an Institiúid i mbun plé leanúnach leis an Údarás um Ard-Oideachas maidir le seasamh airgeadais na hInstitiúide agus tá pleannanna forbartha chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar na heasnaimh.

Glacadh le bonn an ghnóthais leantaigh agus na ráitis airgeadais á n-ullmhú, de bhrí gur dóigh leis an mBord Rialaithe go bhfuil dóthain cúlchistí ag an Institiúid chun freastal ar an gcaiteachas réamh-mheasta ar feadh dhá mhí dhéag ar a laghad ó dháta sínithe na ráiteas airgeadais.

29. FAOMHADH NA RÁITEAS AIRGEADAS

D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe na Ráitis Airgeadais ar 21 Iúil 2016.

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27. SUBSIDIARY AND RELATED UNDERTAKINGS

The Catering facilities in the Institute are provided by GMIT Catering Company Limited, a separate company having no share capital and limited by guarantee. The Institute is responsible for the running of the company. The results of the company have been consolidated in these financial statements. The consolidated income and expenditure account, consolidated balance sheet and consolidated cash-flow statement on pages 10, 11 and 13 respectively include information relating to the GMIT Catering Company Limited. Set out below are the financial results of the company for the year ended 31 August 2015 as included in the consolidated accounts.

	2015 € '000	2014 € '000
Sales	1,481	1,447
Staff Costs	766	746
Consumables & Other Expenses	679	677
Total Expenditure excluding Depreciation	1,445	1,423
Depreciation	6	5
	1,451	1,428
Surplus after Depreciation	30	19
Opening Accumulated Surplus at 1st Sept	114	95
Accumulated Surplus at 31 August	<u>144</u>	<u>114</u>

28. GOING CONCERN

GMIT incurred operating deficits in each of the years ended 31 August 2012, 31 August 2013, 31 August 2014 and 31 August 2015. The Institute is aware that further deficits of similar magnitude will result in depletion of reserves that could call into question the going concern status of the Institute in the medium term.

The main factors contributing to these deficits include the following:

1. Decreases in State Grant for funding of recurrent activities.
2. Suspension of State Grants for funding of capital investments, such as equipment, computer equipment, fixtures and fittings.
The need to allocate recurrent funding for capital purposes decreases income available to fund recurrent activities.

The Institute is engaged in ongoing discussions with the Higher Education Authority regarding the financial position of the Institute and plans have been developed to address the deficits.

The going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the financial statements, as the Governing Body are of the view that the Institute has sufficient resources to meet projected expenditure for at least twelve months from the signing of the financial statements.

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29. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Financial Statements were approved by the Governing Body on the 21st July, 2016.

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