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Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology*

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## Réamhra 1

### Ráiteas an Chathaoirligh 1.1

Is mór an pléisiúr dom fáilte a chur roimh an mBord Rialaithe nua a cheap an tAire Jan O'Sullivan, T.D. Ceapadh na comhaltaí nua ar feadh tréimhse cúig bliana le héifeacht ó 1 Aibreán 2015.

Is mian liom comhgháirdeas a dhéanamh leis an Institiúid a ghnóthaigh Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Blíana 2015 de chuid an Sunday Times. Is í seo a tríú huair a ghnóthaigh GMIT an duais seo tar éis í a bhaint amach roimhe sin in 2004 agus 2007.

I bhfianaise na haidhme atá luate stádas mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta a lorg in éineacht lena compháirtithe i gComhghaillíocht Chonnacht-Uladh, chuir an Institiúid Léiriú Spéise foirmiúil isteach chuig an Údarás um Ard-Oideachas (ÚAO). Léiríonn sé sin aidhm CCU atá comhdhéanta de GMIT, Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn agus IT Shligigh a bheith ina hOT d'fhonn freastal níos fearr ar na neacha léinn agus ar an réigiún.

Léirigh GMIT an mhuinín atá aici sna nósanna imeachta ráthaíochta cáilíochta agus feabhsúcháin cháilíochta atá aici trí chuireadh a thabhairt do Chumann na nOllscoileanna Eorpacha (EUA) measúnú institiúideach a dhéanamh ar conas a chomhlíonann sí a cuid nósanna imeachta cáilíochta féin agus conas mar atá sé sin i gcomparáid le noirm na hEorpa. Tá GMIT ar cheann de na chéad Institiúid Teicneolaíochta in Éirinn a thug faoi chleachtadh tagarmharcála dá leithéid agus mhol QQI an Institiúid go hard as tabhairt faoin tionscnamh seo. Táthar ag súil le toradh dearfach.

Cuireann sé ríméad orm an forás ar líon na neach léinn a fheiceáil atá i mbun gníomhaíochtaí fiontraíochta, go háirthe an Scéim Duaiseanna Fiontair a fheidhmíonn Maria Staunton, Bainisteoir Mhol Nuálaíochta GMIT, Maigh Eo. I mbliana rinneadh athbhrandáil ar na Lárionaid Ghoir mar Mhoil Nuálaíochta. Sheol An Taoiseach Enda Kenny agus an fiontraí/fear gnó Bobby Kerr an branda nua.

Is cúis áthais dom freisin an tuiscint mhéadaitheach ar an gcomhshaol a fheiceáil inár gcampais: rinneadh Bratach Ghlas champas Mhaigh Eo a athnuachan ar feadh bliana eile agus bhronn An Taisce a gcéad Bhratach Ghlas Idirnáisiúnta ar champas Leitir Fraic. Ligeann tionscnaimh dá leithéid don Institiúid tógáil ar na gaolmhaireachtaí láidre pobail; atá bunaithe cheana féin agus tugann tuiscint ar an tsochaí dár neacha léinn a chuideoidh leo ina ngairmeacha beatha amach anseo.

## Introduction 1

### Chairperson's Statement 1.1



It is with great pleasure that I welcome members of the new Governing Body appointed by Minister Jan O'Sullivan, T.D. The 16 members are appointed for a period of five years with effect from 1st April, 2015.

I would like to congratulate the Institute on winning the Sunday Times Institute of Technology of the Year 2015. This is the third time GMIT won this award, having previously won it in 2004 and 2007.

The institute, given its stated ambition to pursue Technological University status with its Connacht-Ulster Alliance partners submitted a formal Expression of Interest to the Higher Education Authority (HEA). This signals the ambition of the CUA comprising GMIT, Letterkenny IT and IT Sligo to become a TU in order to better serve the needs of the students and the region.

GMIT showcased its confidence in its quality assurance and quality enhancement procedures by inviting the European Universities Association (EUA) to conduct an institutional evaluation of how it complies with its own quality procedures and how this compares with European norms. GMIT is one of the first Institutes of Technology in Ireland to undertake a benchmarking exercise of this nature and the Institute was highly commended by QQI for pursuing this initiative. A positive outcome is anticipated.

I am delighted to witness the growth in students engaging in enterprise activities, specifically the Enterprise Awards Scheme operated by Maria Staunton, Manager of the GMIT Innovation Hub, Mayo. This year also saw a rebranding of the Incubation Centres to Innovation Hubs. The new brand was launched by An Taoiseach Enda Kenny and entrepreneur/businessman Bobby Kerr.

I am also delighted to witness the increasing environmental awareness amongst our campuses: the Mayo campus has had their Green Flag renewed for another year and the Letterfrack campus was awarded its first international Green Campus Flag by An Taisce. Initiatives such as these allow the institute to build upon the very strong community relationships which have already been established whilst giving our students a societal consciousness that will assist in their careers.

Ba onóir dom baint a bheith agam leis na Comhaltachtaí Oinigh a bronnadh ar thríúr sárdhaoine le linn shearmanais Bronnadh Céime 2015, mar atá Donagh O'Donoghue, Matt Molloy agus Michael O'Neill. Cuirtear síos go cuí ar mhianach an triúir seo níos faide amach sa tuarascaíl seo.

Mar chathaoirleach ar Bhord Rialaithe na hInstitiúide ba mhaith liom ómós a chur in iúl do Michael Carmody Uasal a d'éirigh as mar Uachtaráin ar GMIT in Aibreán tar éis a bheith i gceannas ar feadh ceithre bliana. Is mian liom mo bhúochas agus meas a chur in iúl don fhoireann thiomanta: acadúil, bainistíocht, riarrachán agus teicniúil, a bhfuil moladh tuillte acu go léir as a ngairmiúlacht. Ar deireadh, ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghlacadh le mo chomhchomhaltaí ar an mBord Rialaithe, a chuidigh go mór le forbairt na hInstitiúide lena gcion don Bhord Rialaithe agus d'fhochoistí éagsúla.



*Deasún Ó Mathúna  
Cathaoirleach Bhord Rialaithe GMIT*

I was honoured to be associated with the award of Honorary Fellowships to three outstanding individuals during the Graduation 2015 ceremonies, namely Donagh O'Donoghue, Matt Molloy and Michael O'Neill. The calibre of these three individuals is appropriately captured later in this report.

As chairman of the Institute's Governing Body I would like to pay tribute to Mr Michael Carmody who retired as President of GMIT in April having served four years at the helm. I would like to extend my gratitude and appreciation to the dedicated staff; academic, managerial, administrative and technical, all of whom 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 Des Mahon  
Chairperson, GMIT Governing Body*

## Ráiteas an Uachtaráin 1.2

Is ábhar glondair dom, mar Uachtarán Nua ó 1 Dheireadh Fómhair 2015, gabhál le GMIT – Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Sunday Times na Blíana 2015.

Táim ag tnúth go mór le cur leis an obair den scoth atá ar siúl cheana féin ag an Institiúid, ag an mbainistíocht agus ag an bhoireann oibre ar mhaithleis na neacha léinn, leis an réigiún agus leis an tsochaí. Tá an-dul chun cinn déanta ag an Institiúid feadh na bPiléar um Fhorbairt Straitéisí; Foghlaim agus Teagasc; Forbairt Taighde agus Nuálaíochta; Idirnáisiúnú; Comhoibriú agus Comhghuaillíochtaí; Rannpháirtíocht Neacha Léinn agus Pobail.

Is tréimhse spreagúil í seo do GMIT i bhfianaise na haidhme atá luita a bheith ainmnithe mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta agus is deis é a cion don réigiún a fheabhsú tuilleadh. Táim ag súil leis an Institiúid a stiúradh trí na céimeanna eile a bhaineann leis an bpróiseas ainmniúcháin le haghaidh OT.

Sna blianta atá romhainn déanfar ceapacháin bhunriachtanacha i réimsí amhail Clárlann Acadúil, Taighde agus Nuálaíochta agus an Scoil Ghnó. Is é atá mar ábhar dóchais agus sprioc agam go gcoinneoidh muid agus go gcuirfidh muid le raon agus scála ár soláthar teagaisc (leibhéal 6-10). De réir mar a fhobair GMIT ina hOllscoil Teicneolaíochta in éineacht lenár gcomhpháirtithe in IT Shligigh agus Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn díreoidh sí i gcónai ar chéimithe a ullmhú do na róil ghairmiúla chasta i saol na teicneolaíochta atá ag athrú go tréan. Tá cáil den scoth ar chéimithe GMIT agus baineann siad amach rátaí an-ard fostáiochta mar a léiríonn suirbhé bliantúil cinn scríbe na hInstitiúide.

Beidh forbairt á spreagadh agam ar chláir nua chéime leibhéal 8 inár Scoileanna agus Ranna i réimsí amhail Eolaíocht Spóirt, Dearadh, Innealtóireacht Talmhaíochta, Innealtóireacht Bhithleáis, Innealtóireacht Bogearraí agus Leictreonach, Fintech (Teicneolaíochta Airgeadais) agus Dlí gan ach beagán a lua. Cuirfidh forbairt na gclár seo le seasamh na Gaillimhe in athuair mar phríomhchathair neacha léinn na hÉireann agus tiocfaidh ardú ar iarratais ar an Institiúid agus forás ar líon na neach léinn cláraithe. Tá suil agam go gcuideoidh GMIT le leas a bhaint as an teideal neamhoifigiúil ach de facto atá ag Gaillimh mar Phríomhchathair Chultúir san am atá ag teacht trí fhorbairt amhail Scoil Ealaíne agus Dearaidh ag GMIT.



## President's Statement 1.2

I am delighted to be joining GMIT – the Sunday Times Institute of Technology of the Year 2015 – as its New President from October 1st 2015.

I am looking forward to contributing to the excellent and high quality work that is already being done by the Institute, its management and its staff for the benefit of students, the region and society. The Institute has made considerable progress across its Strategic Development Pillars of Learning and Teaching; Research Development and Innovation; Internationalisation; Collaboration and Alliances; Student and Community Engagement.

This is a very exciting time for GMIT given its stated ambition to pursue Technological University designation and an opportunity to further enhance its contribution to the region. I look forward to directing the Institute through further stages of the TU designation process.

In the years ahead key appointments will be made in areas such as the Academic Registry, Research and Innovation and the School of Business. It is my hope and ambition that we will maintain and add to our range and scale of teaching provision (levels 6-10). As GMIT develops into a Technological University with its partners in IT Sligo and Letterkenny Institute of Technology its focus will continue to be on the preparation of graduates for complex professional roles in a rapidly changing technological world. GMIT graduates have an excellent reputation and enjoy very high employment rates as evidenced by the Institute's annual first destination survey.

I will be encouraging the development of new level 8 degree programmes by our Schools and Departments in areas such as Sport Science, Design, Agricultural Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Software and Electronic Engineering, Fintech and Law to name but a few. The development of these programmes will once again signal Galway's position as the student capital of Ireland with growth in applications to the Institute and growth in registered students. I am hopeful that GMIT will help to leverage the unofficial but de facto Capital of Culture designation of Galway in the future through developments such as a School of Art and Design at GMIT.

Cuirfidh ceapacháin bhunriachtanacha sna réimsí taighde agus nuálaiochta an cheannaireacht ar fáil chun na caighdeán arda a bhaint amach a bhaineann le cálíochtaí fairne agus méid agus cálíocht an aschuir taighde is gá le haghaidh ainmniúcháin mar ollscoil teicneolaíochta. Imreoidh ár sain-lárionaid taighde sna réimsí Muirí agus Fionnusisce agus Innealtóireacht Feistí Leighis ról lárnach chun an mhéadracht sin a bhaint amach. Déanaimid leibhéal na gníomhaíochta nuálaíochta a mhéadú tríd an obair a dhéanann ár r-mhoil i nGaillimh agus Maigh Eo araon agus tríd an gclár fiontraíochta New Frontiers a dtacaíonn Fiontar Éireann leis.

Tabharfaidh muid aghaidh ar na straitéisí reatha agus na straitéisí atá le teacht sna réimsí: rochtain, printíseacht, fiontar, comhionannas inscne agus idirnáisiúnú. Leanfaimid de bheith ag freagairt ar bhealach gasta do riachtanais straitéiseachta mhargadh an tsaothair atá maoinithe faoi chláir náisiúnta amhail Springboard.

Déanfaidh an Institiúid a Máistirphleán Forbartha Caipitil a athleasú in am don Athbhreithniú Caipitil Lár Téarma in 2017 chun a chinntí go mbeidh muid sa suíomh is fearr chun an infheistíocht is gá a fháil le misean agus fíos na hInstitiúide a chur chun cinn agus le cur ar chumas GMIT deiseanna níos fearr a oscailt do na neacha léinn inár réigiún, don fhoireann oibre san Institiúid, agus don gheilleagar agus don tsochaí áitiúil níos leithne.

Ar deireadh ba mhaith liom gach rath sa todhchaí a ghuí ar Michael Carmody Uasal a d'éisigh as mar Uachtaráin ar GMIT.

Ar son an Bhord Rialaithe is mian liom buíochas ó chroí a ghlacadh lenár bhfoireann, leis na neacha léinn agus lenár bpáirtithe leasmhara go léir as an gcion a thug siad d'fhorbairt GMIT le linn 2014-2015.



*Dr Fearghal S. de Barra  
An t-Uachtaráin, ITGM*

Key appointments in the area of research and innovation will provide 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 will play a central role in achieving these metrics. We will also increase the level of our innovation activity through the work of our iHubs in both Galway and Mayo and through the New Frontiers entrepreneurship programme which is supported by Enterprise Ireland.

We will respond to current and forthcoming strategies in the areas of access, apprenticeship, enterprise, gender equality and internationalisation. We will continue to respond in an agile manner to strategic labour market needs funded under national programmes such as Springboard.

The Institute will revise its current Capital Development Masterplan in time for the Mid-Term Capital Review in 2017 ensuring 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.

Finally, I would like to wish Mr Michael Carmody who retired as President of GMIT all the very best in the future.

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 2014-2015.



*Dr Fergal J. Barry  
President, GMIT*

## 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 bpolasáí 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 araon á seachadadh aici sa raon dámhachtainí ón bprintiseacht go PhD ar Chreat Náisiúnta na gCáilíochtaí (NFQ). Bíonn GMIT gafa freisin ag taighde, comhairleoireacht tráchtála agus gníomhaíochtaí pobail. Tar éis athbhreithniú lárhéarma 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 Nuálaíocht;
- Rannpháirtíocht Neacha Léinn-Pobail, agus
- Idirnáisiúnú.

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Mar institiúid ilchampais, ildisciplín, ildámhachtaine a dhéanann freastal ar chuallacht éagsúil neach léinn, tá mar aidhm ag GMIT a bheith ina heagraíocht neach léinn-láraithe atá dírithe 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 chéile chun eolas a chur i ngníomh, a thástáil 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 riachtanais a réigiún, agus do na tosaíochtaí náisiúnta agus deiseanna domhanda;
- Déanfaidh GMIT freagairt do pheirspictíochtaí agus ionchais a cuid páirtithe leasmhara chomh maith len 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 oiriúnú.

## Mission & 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 2.1**

*Bord Rialaithe Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo, Aibreán 2010 – Aibreán 2015:*

*Taobh Thiar, Clé go Deas:* Joseph Cunningham Uas., an Dr Seán Duignan, Pat McMahon Uas., Jane Daly Uas., Michael Hannon Uas., Tomás Mac Pháidín Uas., Máire Ní Chionna Uas.

*Chun Tosaigh, Clé go Deas:* Siobhán Burke Uas., Liam Noonan Uas., Michael Carmody Uas., Des Mahon Uas. (Cathaoirleach), Donagh O'Donoghue Uas., Katie Sweeney Uas., Jim Carroll Uas.

**Baill an Bhord Rialaithe Aibreán 2010 – Aibreán 2015**

Des Mahon Uas.	Cathaoirleach
Michael Carmody Uas.	Uachtaráin GMIT
Donagh O'Donoghue Uas.	Ionadaí IBEC
David Leahy Uas.	BOO na Gaillimhe & Roscomáin
An Comh. Terry O'Flaherty	Coiste Gairmoideachas Chathair na Gaillimhe
Tomás Mac Pháidín Uas.	Coiste Gairmoideachas Chathair na Gaillimhe
An Comh. Eileen Mannion	Coiste Gairmoideachas Cho. na Gaillimhe
An Comh. Pat McMahon	Coiste Gairmoideachas Cho. an Chláir
An Dr Katie Sweeney	Coiste Gairmoideachas Cho. Mhaigh Eo
Marie Finnegan Uas	Ionadaí Foirne Acadúla
An Dr Seán Duignan	Ionadaí Foirne Acadúla

**Governance 2****Governing Body Members 2.1**

*Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology Governing Body, April 2010-April 2015:*

*Back Row, Left to Right:* Mr Joseph Cunningham, Dr Sean Duignan, Mr Pat Mc Mahon, Ms Jane Daly, Mr Michael Hannon, Mr Tomás Mac Phaidín, Mr Paul Shelly, Ms Máire Ní Chionna.

*Front Row, Left to Right:* Ms Siobhan Burke, Mr Liam Noonan, Mr Michael Carmody, Mr Des Mahon (Chair), Mr Donagh O'Donoghue, Ms Katie Sweeney, Mr Jim Carroll.

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**History of Governing Body Members April 2010 – April 2015**

Mr Des Mahon	Chairman
Mr Michael Carmody	President, GMIT
Mr Donagh O'Donoghue	IBEC Representative
Mr David Leahy	Galway & Roscommon ETB
Cllr Terry O'Flaherty	City of Galway VEC
Mr Tomás MacPhaidín	City of Galway VEC
Cllr Eileen Mannion	County Galway VEC
Cllr Pat McMahon	County Clare VEC
Dr Katie Sweeney	County Mayo VEC
Ms Marie Finnegan	Academic Staff Representative
Dr Sean Duignan	Academic Staff Representative
Mr Liam Noonan	Non-Academic Staff Representative
Mr Joe Cunningham	ICTU
Mr Paul Shelly	Galway Chamber of Commerce

Liam Noonan Uas.	Ionadaí Foirne Neamh-Acadúla	Ms Máire Ní Chionna	Engineers Ireland
Joe Cunningham Uas.	ICTU	Ms Siobhán Burke	Irish Hotels Federation
Paul Shelly Uas.	Cumann Tráchtála na Gaillimhe	Mr Declan Gibbons	Galway Film Centre
Máire Ní Chionna Uas.	Innealtóirí Éireann	Mr Sam O'Neill	Student Representative
Siobhán Burke Uas.	Cóshnайдhm Óstáin na hÉireann	Ms Amy Kelly	Student Representative
Declan Gibbons Uas.	Lárionad Scannáin na Gaillimhe		
Sam O'Neill Uas.	Ionadaí Neacha Léinn		
Amy Kelly Uas.	Ionadaí Neacha Léinn		

## An Comhairle Acadúla 2.2

### *Ballraíocht na Comhairle Acadúla*

Michael Carmody Uas. (Cathaoirleach), *d'éirigh as 15 Aibreán 2015; tháinig Jim Fennell Uas. ina áit ar 16 Aibreán 2015*  
 Michael Hannon Uas. (Rúnaí)  
 Carmel Brennan Uas.  
 Tom Burke Uas.  
 John Carty Uas.  
 Terry Casey Uas.  
 Damien Costello Uas.  
 An Dr Patrick Delassus  
 An Dr Seán Duignan  
 Deirdre Fahy Uas.  
 An Dr Jennifer Farrell  
 Maura Fitzsimons Uas.  
 An Dr Des Foley  
 An Dr Carine Gachon  
 An Dr Deirdre Garvey  
 Michael Gill Uas.  
 An Dr Séamus Lennon  
 Deirdre Lusby Uas.  
 Phil Lydon Uas.  
 Gerard MacMichael Uas.  
 Hugh McBride Uas.  
 Ivan McPhillips Uas.  
 An Dr Mark McCarthy  
 Kevin McDonagh Uas.  
 An Dr Séamus McGuinness  
 An Dr Oliver Mulryan  
 Cáit Noone Uas.  
 Jim O'Connor Uas.  
 An Dr Ian O'Connor  
 Sinéad O'Connor-Lomas  
 Orla O'Doherty Uas.  
 Dermot O'Donovan Uas.  
 Aedín Ó hEocha Uas.  
 Gerry O'Neill Uas.  
 An Dr Rick Officer  
 Margaret O'Riordan Uas.  
 Eleanor Rainsford Uas.  
 An Dr Gareth Roe  
 Mary Rogers Uas.  
 Patricj Tobin Uas.  
 Gerry Talbot Uas.  
 Margaret Waldron Uas.

### *Ionadaithe Aontas na Neach Léinn*

Sam O'Neill, Uachtarán Aontas na Neach Léinn  
 Michael Kerrigan Uas., Leas-Uachtarán Aontas na Neach Léinn

## Academic Council 2.2

### *Academic Council Membership*

Mr Michael Carmody (Chairperson), *resigned 15 April 2015, replaced by Mr Jim Fennell on 16 April 2015.*  
 Mr Michael Hannon (Secretary)  
 Ms Carmel Brennan  
 Mr Tom Burke  
 Mr John Carty  
 Mr Terry Casey  
 Mr Damien Costello  
 Dr Patrick Delassus  
 Dr Sean Duignan  
 Deirdre Fahy  
 Dr Jennifer Farrell  
 Ms Maura Fitzsimons  
 Dr Des Foley  
 Dr Carine Gachon  
 Dr Deirdre Garvey  
 Mr Michael Gill  
 Dr Seamus Lennon  
 Ms Deirdre Lusby  
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 Mr Gerard MacMichael  
 Mr Hugh McBride  
 Mr Ivan McPhillips  
 Dr Mark McCarthy  
 Mr Kevin McDonagh  
 Dr Seamus McGuinness  
 Dr Oliver Mulryan  
 Ms Cait Noone  
 Mr Jim O'Connor  
 Dr Ian O'Connor  
 Ms Sinead O'Connor-Lomas  
 Ms Orla O'Doherty  
 Mr Dermot O'Donovan  
 Ms Aedin O hEocha  
 Mr Gerry O'Neill  
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 Ms Margaret O'Riordan  
 Ms Eleanor Rainsford  
 Dr Gareth Roe  
 Ms Mary Rogers  
 Mr Patrick Tobin  
 Mr Gerry Talbot  
 Ms Margaret Waldron

### *Students' Union Reps*

Mr Sam O'Neill, President SU  
 Mr Michael Kerrigan Vice-President SU

## An Fhoireann Shinsearach 2.3

*An Fhoireann Shinsearach: 31 Lúnasa 2014*

**An tUachtaráin**

Jim Fennell Uas., Dip Bus Stds, FCCA, MSc

**Riarachán/Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn:**

**Cláraitheoir:**

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Bríd Prendergast, Teastas Náisiúnta i Staidéar Gnó, B Comm, FCCA

**Leabharlannaí:**

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**Oifigeach Iontrálacha:**

Philomena Lydon Uas.

**Bainisteoir Acmhainní Daonna:**

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**Oifigeach Airgeadais:**

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David Lee Uas., BE, CDIPAF, CEng, MIEI, Cert, IOSH

**Bainisteoir Seirbhísí Ríomhaire:**

Donal McGinty Uas., BTech, M Eng

**Bainisteoir Seirbhísí Tráchtála:**

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**Ceann Taighde:**

An Dr Desmond Foley, BSc, PhD

**Gníomhaíochtaí Idirnáisiúnta/Margaíocht:**

Folamh

**Comhordaitheoir Foghlaim ar Feadh an tSaoil:**

Peter Butler Uas., BEng, MBS

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**Ceann Scoile:**

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**Ceann na Roinne Gnó:**

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**Ceann na Roinne Cuntasáiochta & Córas Faisnéise:**

Carmel Brennan Uas., BComm, MBS

## Senior Staff 2.3

*Senior Staff: 31 August 2014*

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**Lifelong Learning Co-ordinator:**

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**Head of School:**

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**Head of Department of Accounting & Information Systems**

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Gerard MacMichael Uas., BSc (Eng), MIE, MBA

**Ceann na Roinne Innealtóireachta Foirgníochta & Sibhialta:**

Mary Rogers Uas., B Arch, RIA

**Ceann na Roinne Leictreonaice:**

Des O'Reilly Uas., BEng, MSc

**Ceann na Roinne Innealtóireachta Meicniúla/Tionsclaíochta:**

An Dr. Patrick Delassus, Dip in Mech Eng in Pyrotechnic Eng, BEng (Inn Táirgíochta), (Mech Eng) MSc, PhD

**An Coláiste Turasóireachta & Daonnachtaí****Ceann Coláiste:**

Cait Noone Uas., BA (Onór), Cert. Educ, MBA

**Ceann Lárionaid do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha & na Meáin:**

Cait Noone Uas., BA (Onór), Cert. Educ, MBA

**Ealaíona Cócaireachta/Tionscail Seirbhise:**

Gerry Talbot Uas. MA

**Oidhreacht & Turasóireacht; Daonnachtaí, Teangacha****Feidhmeacha & Cumarsáid:**

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**Scoil na hEolaíochta****Ceann Scoile:**

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**Ceann na Roinne Matamaitice & Ríomhaireachta:**

Gabriel Hicks Uas., BA, MSc

**An Lárionad um Barr Feabhas i nDearadh****agus Teicneolaíocht Troscáin, Leitir Fraic****Ceann Roinne:**

Dermot O'Donovan Uas., BComm, Teastas i nDearadh Troscáin, MSc

**Campus Mhaigh Eo****Ceann Champas GMIT Chaisleán an Bharraigh:**

An Dr Deirdre Garvey, MBS, PhD

**Ceann na Roinne Altranais:**

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**School of Engineering****Head of School:**

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**Head of Department of Building and Civil Engineering:**

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**Head of Department of Electronics:**

Mr. Des O'Reilly, BEng, MSc.

**Head of Department of Mechanical/Industrial Engineering:**

Dr. Patrick Delassus, Dip. in Mech. Eng, Dip. in Pyrotechnic Eng, BEng, (Production Eng), BEng, (Mech. Eng), MSc, PhD

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**Head of Centre for the Creative Arts & Media**

Ms Cait Noone, BA (Hons), Cert. Educ, MBA

**Culinary Arts; Service Industries:**

Mr. Gerry Talbot, MA

**Heritage & Tourism; Humanities, Applied Languages & Communications**

Mr. Gerry O'Neill, Diploma in Business Studies, ACCA

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**School of Science:****Head of School:**

Dr. Desmond Foley, BSc, PhD

**Head of Department of Science:**

Dr. Seamus Lennon, BSc, PhD, Dip Pharm.Man. Tech

**Head of Department of Mathematics and Computing:**

Mr. Gabriel Hicks, BA, MSc

**The National Centre for Excellence in Furniture Design and Technology, Letterfrack****Head of Department:**

Mr. Dermot O'Donovan, BComm, Certificate in Furniture Design, MSc

**Mayo Campus****Head of GMIT Mayo Campus:**

Dr Deirdre Garvey, MBS, PhD

**Head of Department of Nursing:**

Ms. Kathleen Taheny Murphy, Dip Nursing, BNS General Nursing, MSc

**Head of Department of Business, Humanities and Technology:**

Mr. Michael Gill, BComm, DPA, ACA, HDip in Ed.

# An Plean Forbartha Straitéiseach 3

## Saincheisteanna Ardoideachais Áitiúla, Réigiúnacha & Náisiúnta 3.1

### Cuireann GMIT in iúl go foirmiúil gur mian léi a bheith ina hOllscoil Teicneolaíocha

Chuir Comhghuaillíocht Chonnacht-Uladh (CCU) Ráiteas Suime faoi bhráid an Údarás um Ard-Oideachas (HEA) le haghaidh bheith athainmnithe mar Ollscoil Teicneolaíocha (OT). Is é seo an chéad cheann de cheithre CHÉIM i bpróiseas a bhfuil mar sprioc aige OT a bhunú don réigiún Thiar/Thiar-Thuaidh d'Éirinn. Cuireann sé in iúl gur mian leis an gCCU, a chuimsíonn GMIT, IT Leitir Ceanainn agus IT Shligigh a bheith ina OT d'fhonn freastal níos fearr a dhéanamh ar riachtanais an réigiúin.

‘Beidh an Ollscoil Teicneolaíocha don Iarthar/Iar-Thuaisceart thírithe ar chomhshaol beomhar, ilchampais shóisialta agus chultúrtha a thógáil a bheidh inbhuanaithe ó thaobh na heacnamaíochta de agus a choinneoidh buanna chéimithe a bheidh in ann bonn eacnamaíochta sa réigiún a mhéadú,’ said the three Presidents – Vincent Cunnane, IT Sligo, Michael Carmody, GMIT and Paul Hannigan, President of IT Leitir Ceanainn.’

Is é a chreideann na compháirtithe CCU go spreagfaidh an OT atá molta forbairt eacnamaíochta ar fud an réigiúin atá scaipthe go thíreolaíoch, (i) trí chur leis an soláthar ardoideachais do na neacha léinn, (ii) trí sheachadadh solúbtha oideachais a chur ar fáil agus (iii) trí fhiontaír áitiúla pobail a fhobairt trí ghníomhaíochtaí comhoibriúcha forbartha agus nuálacha. Cothóidh an OT atá molta líonra gnó agus braislí forbartha, agus cuirfidh le cumas an réigiúin infheistíocht a mhealladh isteach.

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*Sa phictiúr thusa, taobh thiar, C go D: Martin Cronin, Cathaoirleach Coiste Stiúrtha CCU, Brendan McCormack, Bainisteoir Tionscadail CCU, Michael Hannon, Cláraitheoir GMIT, Gerard MacMichael, Ceann Scoil na hInnealtóireachta GMIT. Chun tosaigh, C go D: Vincent Cunnane, Uachtaráin IT Shligigh, Michael Carmody, Uachtaráin GMIT, agus Paul Hannigan, Uachtaráin IT Leitir Ceanainn.*

## Strategic Development Plan 3

### Local, Regional & National Higher Education Issues 3.1

#### GMIT declares formal interest in becoming a Technological University

The Connacht-Ulster Alliance (CUA) submitted a formal Expression of Interest to the Higher Education Authority (HEA) for re-designation as a Technological University (TU). This is the first of four stages in a process leading to the establishment of a TU for the West/North-West region of Ireland. It signals the ambition of the CUA comprising GMIT, Letterkenny IT and IT Sligo, to become a TU in order to better serve the needs of the region.

“The Technological University for the West/North-West will have a focus on building a vibrant and sustainable economic, social and cultural multi-campus environment which will generate and retain graduate talent capable of growing the economic base in the region,” said the three Presidents – Vincent Cunnane, IT Sligo, Michael Carmody, GMIT and Paul Hannigan, LyIT.

The CUA partners believe that the proposed TU will stimulate economic growth across the geographically dispersed region by (i) enhancing the provision of higher education to students, (ii) providing flexible delivery of education and (iii) growing local enterprises and communities through collaborative research, development and innovation activities. The proposed TU will foster business networks and developmental clusters, and will enhance the ability of the region to attract inward investment.



Pictured above, back row, L to R: Martin Cronin, Chair of the CUA Steering Group, Brendan McCormack, CUA Project Manager, Michael Hannon, Registrar of GMIT, Gerard MacMichael, Head of the GMIT School of Engineering. Front row, L to R: Vincent Cunnane, President of IT Sligo, Michael Carmody, President of GMIT and Paul Hannigan, President of Letterkenny IT.

## Cuireann Michael Carmody in iúl go bhfuil sé ag éirí as

D'fhógair Uachtarán GMIT Michael Carmody go mbeadh sé ag éirí as a phost ar an gCéadaoin, 15 Aibreán tar éis ceithre bliana a chaitheamh i gceannas. Cheap Bord Stiúrtha GMIT Jim Fennell, Rúnaí & Rialtóir Airgeadais, mar Uachtarán etramhach ar 16 Aibreán (2015) go dtí go lionfaí an post. Rinne fochoiste de chuid an Bhord Stiúrtha maoirseacht ar an bpróiseas earcaíochta do phost an Uachtaráin, a fógraíodh go poiblí.

## Ceapann an tAire O'Sullivan Bord Stiúrtha nua GMIT

Tá 16 bhall ceaptha ag an Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna, Jan O'Sullivan, TD, do Bhord Rialaithe nua GMIT faoi alt 4 d'Acht (Leasú) na gColáistí Teicniúla Réigiúnacha 1994. Cés moite de bheirt ionadaithe na neach léinn, ceaptar na baill ar feadh tréimhse cúig bliana le héifeacht ó 1 Aibreán 2015. Ceaptar beirt ionadaithe na neach léinn ar feadh tréimhse bliana. Is mar seo a leanas baill nua Bhord Stiúrtha GMIT: David Leahy, POF Bhord Oideachais agus Oiliúna na Gaillimhe, Roscomáin (GRETB); an Comhairleoir Neil McNelis, GRETB; an Comhairleoir Moegi Maher, GRETB; an Comhairleoir Karey McHugh, GRETB; Seosamh Mac Donncha, POF Bhord Oideachais agus Oiliúna Mhaigh Eo, Shligigh, Liatroma (LCETB); an Comhairleoir Mary Howard, Bord Oideachais agus Oiliúna an Chláir (LCETB); Mary Rogers ionadaí fairne acadúla; Gareth Roe, ionadaí fairne acadúla; Michael Geoghegan, ionadaí fairne neamhacadúla; Sam O'Neill ionadaí neach léinn; Amy Kelly, ionadaí neach leinn; Joe Cunningham, ICTU; Celestine Rowland, IBEC; Declan Gibbons, Láirionad Scannán na Gaillimhe; Máire Ní Chionna, Innealtóirí Éireann; Siobhán Burke, Cónaídhm Óstán na hÉireann; agus Cumann Tráchtala Mheiciceá (nach bhfuil líonta go fóill).

## Tugann an tUachtarán Ó hUiginn cuairt ar Leitir Fraic

Thug Uachtarán na hÉireann, Micheál D Ó hUiginn, agus Sabina Higgins cuairt ar fhoireann agus neacha léinn GMIT Leitir Fraic ar an Aoine, 17 Deireadh Fómhair 2014. Thug an chéad lánúin cuairt ar an ngailearaí troscáin agus ar na hallá meaisín ar an gcampas, agus thug an tUachtarán óráid don fhoireann agus do na neacha léinn.



## Michael Carmody announces retirement

GMIT President Michael Carmody announced he would retire from his post on Wednesday, 15 April, following four years at the helm. The GMIT Governing Body appointed Jim Fennell, Secretary & Financial Controller, as Interim President from 16 April (2015) pending the filling of the post. A sub-committee of the Governing Body oversaw the recruitment process for the post of President which was advertised publicly.

## Minister O'Sullivan appoints new GMIT Governing Body

The Minister for Education and Skills, Jan O'Sullivan, TD, has appointed 16 members to the new GMIT Governing Body under section 4 of the Regional Technical Colleges (Amendment) Act 1994. The members, with the exception of the two student representatives, are appointed for a period of five years with effect since 1 April 2015. The two student reps are appointed for a period of one year. The members of the new GMIT Governing Body are as follows: David Leahy, CEO of Galway, Roscommon Education Training Board (GRETB); Cllr Neil McNelis, GRETB; Cllr Michael Moegie Maher, GRETB; Cllr Karey McHugh, GRETB; Seosamh MacDonnacha, CEO of Mayo, Sligo, Leitrim Education Training Board (MSLETB); Cllr Mary Howard, Limerick, Clare Education Training Board (LCETB); Mary Rogers, Academic staff representative; Gareth Roe, Academic staff representative; Michael Geoghegan, Non-academic staff representative; Sam O'Neill, student representative; Amy Kelly, student representative; Joe Cunningham, ICTU; Celestine Rowland, IBEC; Declan Gibbons, Galway Film Centre; Máire Ni Chionna, Engineers Ireland; Siobhán Burke, Irish Hotels Federation; and American Chamber of commerce (yet to be filled).

## President Higgins visits Letterfrack

Staff and students in GMIT Letterfrack received a visit from the President of Ireland, Michael D Higgins, and Sabina Higgins on Friday, 17 October 2014. The first couple visited the furniture gallery and machine halls on campus, and the President delivered a speech to students and staff.

Tá nasc seánbhunaithe ag an gcampas le hÁras an Uachtaráin a bhfuil baint ag na hiúrachtáraí Máire Mhic Róibín agus Máire Mhic Ghiolla Íosa leis chomh maith leis an Uachtaráin Ó hUiginn; rinne neacha léinn agus baill foirne píosaí uathúla troscáin atá ina ndlúthchuid den Áras – rinne agus dhear an céimí John Lee cathair insealbhaithe le haghaidh shearmanas insealbhaithe an Uachtaráin Uí Uiginn i Samhain 2011, agus tá léachtáin a dhear agus a rinne neacha léinn agus baill foirne in 2008 in úsáid san Áras sa lá inniu. I Samhain 2012, óstaíodh taispeántas uathúil i nGailearaí Farmleigh de shaothar na neach léinn, céimithe agus baill foirne chun an 25ú bliain an champais a chomóradh.

### Síníonn GMIT Cairt Náisiúnta Rannpháirtíochta Champais

Tá GMIT tar éis glacadh go foirmiúil leis an gCairt Náisiúnta Rannpháirtíochta Champais i dtaca le Rannpháirtíocht Shíbhialta agus Pobail a sheol an tAire Oideachais agus Scileanna anuraidh (2014). Ciallaíonn an Chairt 10-bpóinte a forbraíodh i gcomhar leis an ÚAO tiomantas na nInstitiúidí tríú leibhéal chun taighde pobalbhunaithe, foghlaim phobalbhunaithe agus oibriú go deonach a chur chun cinn.

Le blianta fada tá neacha léinn de chuid GMIT gníomhach i mbun tionscnamh phobail agus don obair dheonach. Bhí an modúl um rannpháirtíocht shíbhialta GMIT bunaithe i bpáirt ar Phlean Straitéiseach GMIT (2010-2015) tríd an bPiléar um Rannpháirtíocht Pobail. Rinne Evelyn Moylan, an Scoil Ghnó, Ann Kelly, an Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaíon, agus Carina Ginty, Oifigeach Teagmhála Scoileanna an modúl um Rannpháirtíocht Shíbhialta a chomhfhobairt.

‘Féadfaidh neacha léinn ó gach disciplín taithí phraicticiúil a fháil agus scileanna atá ullamh don obair a fhobairt agus iad ag cuidiú go dearfach leis an tsochaí,’ a deir Evelyn Moylan, an Coiste Stiúrtha um Rannpháirtíocht Champais. ‘Cuireann an Chairt malartú eolais nua idir soláthraithe acadúila, seirbhísé pobail, cruthaitheoirí polasaí agus an pobal chun cinn,’ a deir sí.

*Sa phictiúr, C go D: Evelyn Moylan, ionadaí an Choiste Stiúrtha um Rannpháirtíocht Champais, Michael Carmody, Uachtaráin GMIT, Kate Morris, Comhordaitheoir Náisiúnta do Rannpháirtíocht Champais, Michael Hannon, Cláraitheoir GMIT agus Carina Ginty, OTS.*

The campus has a well-established connection with Áras an Uachtaráin involving former Presidents Mary Robinson and Mary McAleese as well as President Higgins; students and staff have produced unique furniture pieces that have become part of the fabric of the Áras – graduate John Lee designed and made the inauguration chair for President Higgins' inauguration ceremony in November 2011, and lecterns designed and made by students and staff in 2008 are in use in the Aras today. In November 2012, Farmleigh Gallery hosted a unique exhibition of work by students, graduates and staff, marking the campus' 25th anniversary.

### GMIT signs national Campus Engage Charter

GMIT has formally signed up to the National Campus Engage Charter on Civic and Community Engagement, launched last year (2014) by the Minister for Education & Skills. The 10-point Charter, developed in conjunction with the HEA, signifies a commitment by all third level Institutions to promote community-based research, community-based learning and volunteering.

GMIT students and staff have been actively engaged in community initiatives and volunteering for many years. GMIT's civic engagement module was partly informed by the GMIT Strategic Plan (2010-2015) through the Community Engagement Pillar. The Civil Engagement module was jointly developed by Evelyn Moylan, School of Business, Ann Kelly, College of Tourism and Arts, and Carina Ginty, School Liaison Officer.

Students across all disciplines can gain practical experience and develop work ready skills while making a positive contribution to society”, says Evelyn Moylan, Campus Engage Steering committee. “The Charter promotes new knowledge exchange between academic, community service providers, policy makers and the public,” she says.



Pictured, L to R: Evelyn Moylan, GMIT Campus Engage Steering committee rep, Michael Carmody, President of GMIT, Kate Morris, National Co-ordinator for Campus Engage, Michael Hannon, Registrar of GMIT and Dr Carina Ginty, SLO.

## Gnóthaíonn GMIT Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Blíana 2015 de chuid an Sunday Times

D'éirigh GMIT cúig áit i gclár léig an Good University Guide de chuid an Sunday Times agus seasann sa 12ú háit i mbliana i ngeall ar fheidhmíocht thréan acadúil. Níor bhog aon institiúid tríu leibhéal an oiread céanna i rangú na bliana seo. Tá an Institiúid sa chomháit go náisiúnta i dtéarmaí fostaithe neach léinn, agus díreach 8% de na neacha léinn ag lorg fostaithe naoi mí tar éis fágala dóibh, rud is feabhas mór ar 18% na bliana seo caite. Chuidigh an ghné socrúchán oibre chláir de chuid GMIT leis an ráta iontach fostaithe neach léinn – chuaigh níos mó ná 1,200 neach léinn ar shocrúchán oibre anuraidh.

Bhain thart ar 65% de na neacha léinn cáiliúchta céad nó 2:1 amach i gcomórtas le 48% an bhliain roimhe sin. Cuireann sé sin GMIT ag barr na hearnála IT ar an gcaoi sin agus sa 4ú comháit go náisiúnta. Tá ag éirí go maith leis an iarracht neach léinn a choinneáil, agus thíníg feabhas ar an ráta críochnaithe de chúig phointe faoin gcéad ar an mbliaín roimhe sin. Rangaítear GMIT ag 85% agus sa 2ú comháit ar an scála sin.

Dúirt Alastair McCall, Eagarthóir an Good University Guide de chuid an Sunday Times, 'Is i ngeall ar an bhfeabhas iontach ar fheidhmíocht GMIT ar raon toisí atá i gcroí eispéaras an neacha léinn a roghnaigh muid í mar Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Blíana. Ní féidir le hinstiúid tríu leibhéal eile scála an fheabhaí seo a mheatseáil le linn an 12 mhí seo caite.'

Dúirt Michael Carmody, Uachtaráin GMIT, 'Tugann an fhobairt dhearfach seo aitheantas do chion na foirne ar fud na hInstitiúide i gcur chun cinn an teagaisc, taighde agus gníomhaíochtaí seirbhísí neach léinn.'

## Cuireann COE measúnacht i gcrích

Ó 25 go 27 Márta, rinne Cumann Ollscoileanna na hEorpa (CEO) measúnacht Institiúideach ar GMIT. Rinne ceathrar reachtairí/Leas-Reachtairí as ollscoileanna i gceithre thír éagsúla san Aontas Eorpa an mheasúnacht. Tá an painéal le teacht ar ais i Meitheamh ar feadh dhá lá chun an próiseas a chur i gcrích agus chun dul i gcomhairle le baill foirne i ngach campas. Tháinig an dréacht-tuarascáil amach in Iúil agus tá sí le bheith críochnaithe i Meán Fómhair. Tá mar sprioc ag an measúnacht chríochnaithe tacú le GMIT chun pleanál straitéiseach, bainistiú cáiliúchta agus próisis institiúideacha athraithe a fhobairt.



## GMIT wins Sunday Times Institute of Technology of the Year 2015

GMIT climbed five places in the Sunday Times Good University Guide league table to stand 12th this year off the back of a strong academic performance. No third-level institution moved further in this year's rankings. The Institute is joint ninth nationally in terms of graduate employment, with just 8% of students looking for a job nine months after leaving, a marked improvement on last year's 18%. The work placement element of GMIT programmes contributed to the excellent graduate employment rate – more than 1,200 students went on work placement last year.

Around 65% of students achieved a first or 2:1 qualification, compared with 48% the previous year. This puts GMIT at the top of the IT sector in this respect, and joint 4th nationally. Work to retain students is paying off, with the completion rate improved by five percentage points on the previous year to stand at 85%, ranking GMIT joint 2nd on this measure.

Alastair McCall, Editor of the Sunday Times Good University Guide, said: "GMIT's startling improvement in performance on a range of measures at the heart of the student experience made it a natural choice as our Institute of Technology of the Year. No other third-level institution can match the scale of its improvement over the past 12 months."

Michael Carmody, GMIT President, said: "This positive development recognises the contribution of staff across the Institute in enhancing our teaching, research and student services activities."



## EUA concludes evaluation

From 25 to 27 March, GMIT underwent an Institutional Evaluation conducted by the European Universities Association (EUA). It was conducted by four Rectors/Vice Rectors from universities in four different European Union countries. The panel return in June for two days to complete the process and engage with staff across all campuses. The draft report issued in July and finalized in September. The completed evaluation aims to support GMIT in the development of its strategic planning, quality management and institutional change processes.

Tá GMIT ar cheann de na chéad Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta le tabhairt faoi mheasúnacht Eorpach amhail an ceann seo agus táthar cinnte go dtabharfaidh an obair ullmhúcháin atá déanta go dtí seo mar aon leis an deis dul i gcomhairle leis an bpainéal saineolaithe ar an dá chuaireart dák dearcá difriúla ónar féidir leis an Institiúid athrú suntasach a chur i bhfeidhm.

Dúirt Michael Hannon, Cláraitheoir GMIT: 'Feicfear é i gcomhthéacs thiomantas na hInstitiúide don fheabhas leanúnach agus tá lánmuinín againn go mbainfidh an Institiúid, baill foirne agus neacha léinn tairbhe mhór as an ranpháirtíocht seo.'

### Déanann neach léinn cócaireachta ionadaíocht d'Éirinn ar Chlár mórchlúiteach Gastranamaíochta Spáinní

Ghnóthaidh an neach léinn in Ealaíona Cócaireachta Cormac Withero scoláireacht mórchlúiteach don 8ú Clár Oiliúna Idirnáisiúnta Gastranamaíochta Spáinní. Chuaign an neach léinn atá 25 bliana d'aois go dtí an Spáinn ar feadh sé mhí agus na costais go léir íoctha dó.

Chuir bialanna agus cócairí den scoth fáilte roimh Chormac agus roimh 11 neach léinn idirnáisiúnta eile cócaireachta isteach ina gcuid cistineacha le linn an chláir a raibh san áireamh ann tréimhse oiliúna sé seachtaíne teanga agus cócaireachta ag an Scoil Idirnáisiúnta Ealaíona Cócaireachta Fernando Pérez in Valladolid (Castile-León), turas dhá sheachtain sa Spáinn, agus an Comórtas Idirnáisiúnta Tapas i Samhain 2015. Thug Javier Moral agus Sara Cresco ó Ambasáid na Spáinne i mBaile Átha Cliath cuairt ar an gcoláiste ar 16 Márta 2015 chun teastas a bhronnadh ar Chormac.

Sa phictiúr, C go D: Sadie Davoren, Léachtóir, BB Bainistíocht Ealaíona Cócaireachta, Javier Moral Escudero, Ambasáid na Spáinne, Baile Átha Cliath, Cormac Withero, tríú bliain BB Bainistíocht Ealaíona Cócaireachta, Sara Cresco, Stiúrthóir Margáiochta Ambasáid na Spáinne, Baile Átha Cliath, Anne O Leary, Cathaoirleach Cláir an BB Bainistíocht Ealaíona Cócaireachta.

GMIT is one of the first Institutes of Technology in Ireland to undertake a European evaluation like this and is confident that the preparatory work undertaken to date together with the opportunity to engage with the panel of experts on their two visits will yield different perspectives from which the Institute can implement significant change.

GMIT Registrar Michael Hannon said: "It will be seen in the context of the Institute's commitment to continuous improvement and we are confident that the Institute, students and staff will benefit greatly from this engagement"

### Culinary student represents Ireland on prestigious Spanish Gastronomy Programme

Culinary Arts student Cormac Withero won a highly prestigious scholarship for the 8th International Spanish Gastronomy Training Programme. The 25 year old from Galway city travelled to Spain on a six month all expenses paid trip.

Top Spanish restaurants welcomed Cormac and 11 other international culinary students and chefs into their kitchens during the programme which consisted of a six-week language and culinary training segment at the International School of Culinary Arts Fernando Pérez in Valladolid (Castile-León), a two-week tour of Spain, and the International Tapas Competition in November 2015. Javier Moral and Sara Cresco from the Spanish embassy in Dublin visited the college on 16 March to present Cormac with his certificate.



Pictured, L to R: Sadie Davoren, lecturer, BB Culinary Arts Management, Javier Moral Escudero, Spanish Embassy, Dublin, Cormac Withero, third year BB Culinary Arts Management, Sara Cresco, Marketing Director Spanish Embassy, Dublin, Anne O Leary, Programme Chair of BB Culinary Arts.

## Foghlaim agus Teagasc 3.2

### An Dr Pauline Logue, faighteoir Duais Uachtarán GMIT don tSármhaitheas sa Teagasc 2014

Is í an Dr Pauline Logue Collins, léachtóir le hOideachas, Staidéar Reiligiúnach & Eitic faighteoir Duais Uachtarán GMIT don tSármhaitheas sa Teagasc 2014.

Chuaigh an Dr Pauline Collins isteach i bhfoireann GMIT in 2003, mar léachtóir i dtosach i Roinn na nDaonnachaí, campas na Gaillimhe, agus ina dhiaidh sin (2007) mar léachtóir le hoideachas ag Leitir Fraic. Bhí sí roimhe seo ina Cathaoirleach ar an BSc (Onóracha) ar an gClár i nDearadh agus Oideachas Teicneolaíochta i Leitir Fraic agus faoi láthair is ceannaire foirne í ar athstruchtúrú an chláir d’Oideachas Múinteoirí i gcomhar leis an gComhairle Múinteoiriachta agus an ÚAO.

Ta céim le céad onóracha in eolaíocht ag an Dr Logue Collins agus Ard-Diplónma in Oideachas ó NUI Gaillimh, tá céim le céad onóracha aici i nDiagacht & Síceolaíocht ó Choláiste All Hallows, Baile Átha Cliath, tá ardchéim aici le céad onóracha (STL) i nDiagacht Mhorálta ó Institiúid Bhaile an Mhuilinn, agus PhD i réimse na hEitice Sóisialta ó Ollscoil Leeds.

Agus an duais á bronnadh aige, dúirt Uachtarán GMIT Michael Carmody: ‘Tugann Duais an Uachtaráin don tSármhaitheas sa Teagasc aitheantas don teagasc as an ngnáth ag ball foirne atá bunaithe ar phunann oibre a ndearnadh painéal de bhaill foirne de chuid GMIT agus ionadaithe neach léinn measúnú air. Roghnaíodh an Dr Logue Collins d'aonghuth mar fhaighteoir na bliana seo.’

Roimh dhul isteach in GMIT, mhúin an Dr Logue Collins matamaitic, eolaíocht agus reiligiún i meánscoileanna i dTír Chonaill agus i mBaile Átha Cliath. Ina dhiaidh sin bhí sí ag obair mar mhaoirseoir taighde in WIT, UCD, Institiúid Bhaile an Mhuilinn agus All HALLOWS., agus rinne sí léachtóireacht pháirtaimseartha i gColaiste Naomh Aingeal, Sligeach, in NUI Gaillimh, agus in Institiúid Diagachta an Iarthair (WTI). Ar son Siúracha Loreto (na hÉireann), bhunaigh sí an tionscadal lárchathrach – Tionscadal Forbartha Leanaí agus Daoine Fásta (CADP) – in eastát Fatima Mansions i lár Bhaile Átha Cliath.

## Learning and Teaching 3.2



### Dr Pauline Logue, recipient of the GMIT President's Award for Teaching Excellence 2014

Dr Pauline Logue Collins, a lecturer in Education, Religious Studies & Ethics is the recipient of the GMIT President's Award for Teaching Excellence 2014.

Dr Logue Collins joined the staff of GMIT in 2003, first as a lecturer in the Dept of Humanities, Galway campus, and later (2007) as a lecturer in Education at

Letterfrack. Former Chair of the BSc (Hons) Design and Technology Education programme in Letterfrack, she is currently a team leader on the restructuring of the Teacher Education programme in collaboration with the Teaching Council and HEA.

Dr Logue Collins holds a first class honours degree in Science, and a H. Dip in Education from NUI Galway, a first class honours degree in Theology & Psychology from All Hallows College, Dublin, a first class honours higher degree (STL) in Moral Theology from The Milltown Institute, and a PhD in the field of Social Ethics from the University of Leeds.

Presenting the award, GMIT President Michael Carmody, said: “The President’s Award for Teaching Excellence recognises outstanding teaching by a member of staff based on a portfolio of work which is evaluated by a panel of GMIT academic staff and student representatives. Dr Logue Collins was unanimously selected as the recipient of this year’s award.”

Prior to joining GMIT, Dr Logue Collins taught maths, science, and religion in secondary schools in Donegal and Dublin. Subsequently she worked as a research supervisor in WIT, UCD, The Milltown Institute and All Hallows, and lectured part-time in St Angela’s College, Sligo, NUI Galway, and the Western Theological Institute (WTI). On behalf of the Loreto Sisters (Ireland), she established an inner city education project – The Children and Adult Development Project (CADP) – in the Fatima Mansion estate, inner city, Dublin.

Tá an-eolas ag an Dr Logue Collins ar fhealsúnacht, shíceolaíocht agus shoceolaíocht an oideachais. D'fhoilsigh sí sna réimsí oideachas móinteoirí, eitic shóisialta agus cultúr reiligiúnach agus rinne maoirseacht ar líon neach léinn iarchéime in GMIT agus i gcoláistí eile tríu leibhéal. D'fheidhmigh sí mar Scrúdaitheoir Seachtrach freisin ag leibhéal PhD.

Leabaíonn sí an chruthaitheacht agus an nuálaíocht isteach ina cuid teagaisc agus í faoi thionchar an oideachasóra Bhrasaileigh Paulo Freire, cuireann sí an cur chuige comhoibritheach idirnáisiúnta don oideachas in ionad an chur chuige traidisiúnta idirnáisiúnta (nó ‘modhanna baincéireachta oideachais’). Tá spéis ar leith aici i nuálaíochtaí oideachasúla agus, sa chomhthéacs seo, tá forbairt déanta aici ar chlárí mheantóireachta phíara-chuidithe neacha léinn-múinteora ar a dtugtar Nest (Nurturing Excellence in Student Teachers/an tSármhaiteas a Chothú in Ábhair Mhúinteoirí). Bhain sí triail freisin as modhanna cruthaitheacha micreatheagaisc, rinne píolótú ar thionscnamh teagaisc foirne, agus chuir an taighde gaolmhar i láthair ag comhdhálacha bliantúla an lónra Nuálaíochta Foghlama (Learning Innovation) agus ag Cumann Oideachasóirí Múinteoirí na hEorpa (ATEE). Ar mhaith leis an gcuimsitheacht, cuireann sí comhpháirtíochtaí foghlama chun cinn leis an bpobal mór, amhail trí naisc le heagraíochtaí mar VTOS agus Outreach (Co. na Gaillimhe) agus an Cope Foundation (Corcaigh).

Agus an duais á glacadh aici dúirt an Dr Pauline Logue Collins: ‘Is onór mhór dom Duais an Uachtaráin don tSármhaiteas sa Teagasc a fháil. Is eispéaras deimhniúil é a chothaíonn an umhlaíocht; is ceann é atá ina spreagadh dom chun leanúint den teagasc agus den fhoghlaím le diograis agus le diocas sna blianta atá ag teacht. Ba mhaith liom an deis seo a thapú lena rá gur ábhar giondair é abheith ag obair in institiúid a ligean don fhoireann bláthú mar oideachasóirí agus is príobléid dom bheith ag múineadh taobb leis an oiread sin comhghleacaithe croíula agus tacúla agus leis an oiread sin neach léinn tréitheach agus cruthaitheach.’

Dúirt Dermot O’Donovan, Ceann Leitir Fraic GMIT: ‘Tá an Dr Logue Collins an-tiomanta don oideachas agus tá dúil a hanama san fhoghlaím agus sa teagasc. Léiríonn sí an leibhéal is airde gairmiúlachta ina cur chuige don teagasc agus bíonn a cuid neach léinn lánghafa ina bhfoghlaím féin. Léirítear é sin go sonrach le linn micreatheagaisc nuair a bhíonn daltaí ón mbunscoil áitiúil i láthair ar an gcampas le haghaidh rang teagaisc ag ábhair mhúinteoirí GMIT. Bíonn leibhéal as an ngnách ullmhúcháin agus tuisceana á léiriú ag a cuid neach léinn. Léiríonn Pauline an-trua agus tuiscent freisin ina ról mar mhúinteoir agus bíonn an-bhá aici lena neacha léinn. Cothaíonn sí ar bhealach iad a ligean dá gcumas forbairt agus bláthú.’

Dr Logue Collins has in-depth knowledge of the philosophy, psychology and sociology of education. She has published in areas of teacher education, social ethics and religious culture, and has supervised a number of postgraduate research students in GMIT and other third level colleges. She has also acted as External Examiner at PhD level.

She embeds creativity and innovation into her teaching and, influenced by the Brazilian educator Paulo Freire, internationally replaces the traditional lecturing approach (or ‘banking’ methods of education) with co-operative learning approaches. She is particularly interested in educational innovations, and in this context, has developed a student-teacher peer assisted mentoring programme called Nest (Nurturing Excellence in Student Teachers). She has also experimented with creative modes of microteaching, piloted team teaching initiatives, and presented related research at Learning Innovation network (LIN) annual conferences and at the Association of Teacher Educators, Europe (ATEE). In the interests of inclusion, she promotes learning partnerships with the wider community, such as through links with organisations such as VTOS and Youthreach (Co Galway) and the COPE Foundation (Cork).

Accepting the award, Dr Pauline Logue Collins, said: “I am deeply honoured to receive the President’s Award for Teaching Excellence. It is a most humbling and affirming experience; one which inspires me to continue to contribute to teaching and learning with passion and enthusiasm in the years to come. I would like to take this opportunity to say that it is a delight to work in an institute that allows its staff to flourish, as educators, and it is a privilege to teach alongside so many warm and supportive colleagues, and such talented and creative students.”

Dermot O’Donovan, Head of GMIT Letterfrack, said: “Dr Logue Collins is deeply committed to education and has a passion for learning and teaching. She displays the utmost level of professionalism in her approach to teaching and her students are fully engaged in their learning. This becomes particularly apparent during micro teaching when students from the local primary school are hosted on campus for a teaching lesson by GMIT student teachers. The level of innovation, preparation and professionalism displayed by her students is exceptional. Pauline also displays great compassion and understanding in her teaching role and has an excellent rapport with her students. She nurtures them in a manner that allows their ability to develop and blossom.”

### **Teistiméireachtaí foirne agus iarchéimi:**

'Le linn na 20 bliain dom a bheith i mbun an oideachais, mar neach léinn agus mar oideachasóir araon, níor bhuaileas riann le duine a sháraigh riachtanais an dualgais mar a rinne Pauline. Tá mar bhua aici ranganna cruthaitheacha, gríomhacha, taitneamhacha agus, níos tábhachtai fós, éifeachtacha a fhorbairt agus ábhar céarsa á sheachadadh aici.'

Karl Dorney, Baile an Bhiocáire, Corcaigh; céimí de chuid an BSc in Oideachas Dearaidh & Teicneolaíochta

'Bhain Pauline leas as na modheolaíochtaí uile agus í ag teagasc. Chinnigh sí go raibh gach neach léinn gafa inár rang, labhair na neacha léinn cuthaileacha, neartaíodh na neacha léinn a bhí ar bheagán muiníne agus bhí na neacha léinn fuaránta gafa.' Jason Kilgannon, Baile an Mhóta, Sligeach; céimí de chuid an BSc in Oideachas Dearaidh & Teicneolaíochta

'Bhí Pauline ar dhuine de na hoideachasóirí is cruthaithe agus is nuáláí dár casadh riamh orm agus tagairt ar leith don chíram a rinne sí den mhionrud i ngach gné dá cuid oibre; an spreagadh chun na caighdeán is airde a bhaint amach san obair agus cúram á dhéanamh aici de leas na neach léinn aonair agus den rang ina ionláíne; an bheogacht agus an fhís atá aici dá ról féin mar oideachasóir agus dá cuid neach léinn.'

Connie Masterson, Gaillimh; céimí an BA i Staidéar Reiligiúnach

'Spreagann a diógrais agus a tiomantas don chomhghleacaíocht scothcheachtas i measc a cuid comhghleacaithe. B'inspiráid dom an phribhéid a bhain le bheith ag obair ina teannta.'

Claire McLaughlin, léachtóir in Ealaín & Dearadh, Láirionad GMIT do na hEalaíona Chruthaitheacha & na Meáin.

### **Bronnann GMIT scoláireachtaí ar 20 as an gcéad bliain**

Bhronn GMIT naoi Scoláireacht Acadúla agus 11 Scoláireacht Rochtana ar neacha léinn as Gaillimh agus Maigh Eo ag fáiltíú in Óstán g i mí na Nollag.

Sa phictiúr in éineacht le hUachtaráin GMIT Michael Carmody (ar chlé) agus Claraitheoir GMIT (ar dheis) tá na neacha léinn a fuair na Scoláireachtaí Acadúla a bhí bunaithe ar na pointí arda a bhain siad amach san Ardteistiméireacht.

Taobh thiar, C go D: Darragh Burke, BEng (Onór) in Innealtóireacht Shíbhialta; Niamh Seoighe, BB in Rural Enterprise & Agri-Business; John Robert Hewer, BSc (Onór) i nDearadh & Déantúsaíocht Troscáin; Dale Francis Copeland, BSc (Onór) i nDearadh & Déantúsaíocht Troscáin; Patricia Cahill, BSc in Innealtóireacht Ríomhaire & Leictreonach.

Chun tosaigh, C go D: Lisa Griffin, BSc (Onór) in Eolaíocht Leighis; Heather War, BA in Accounting & Financial Management; Aleksandra Jagielska, BA in Ealaín & Dearadh; agus Sarah Jane McArdle, AT in Ealaíona Cócaireachta.

### **Graduate and staff testimonials:**

*'In my 20 years in education, both as a student and as an educator, I have never met a person who went beyond the call of duty as Pauline did. She has a gift of developing creative, active, enjoyable and, most importantly, effective lessons when delivering course material.'*

Karl Dorney, Vicarstown, Cork, graduate of the BSc in Design & Technology Education.

*'Pauline used all of the methodologies while teaching us. She involved every student in our class, the shy students spoke, the unconfident were determined and the distant students were engaged.' -*

Jason Kilgannon, Ballymote, Sligo, graduate of the BSc in Design & Technology Education.

*'Pauline has been one of the most creative and innovative educators that I have even met with particular reference to her attention to detail in all aspects of her work; her encouragement to work to the highest standards while caring for the welfare of the individual students and the class as a whole, her vitality and vision of her role as educator and for that of her students.'*

Connie Masterson, Galway, graduate of the BA in Religious Studies

*'Her enthusiasm for and commitment to collegiality stimulates and encourages best practice amongst colleagues. I have been inspired by the privilege of working alongside her.'*

Claire McLaughlin, lecturer in Art & Design, GMIT Centre for Creative Arts & Media.

### **GMIT awards scholarships to 20 first years**

GMIT presented nine Academic scholarships and 11 Access scholarships to students from Galway and Mayo at a reception in the g Hotel in December.

Pictured with GMIT President Michael Carmody (left) and GMIT Registrar Michael Hannon (right) are the students who received Academic Scholarships based on the high points they achieved in the Leaving Certificate.

L to R, back row: Darragh Burke, B. Eng (Hons) in Civil Engineering; Niamh Seoighe, BB in Rural Enterprise & Agri-Business; John Robert Hewer, B.Sc. (Hons) in Furniture Design & Manufacture; Dale Francis Copeland, BSc. (Hons) in Furniture Design & Manufacture; Patricia Cahill, BSc. in Computer & Electronic Engineering.

L to R, front row: Lisa Griffin, BSc. (Hons) in Medical Science; Heather War, BA in Accounting & Financial Management; Aleksandra Jagielska, BA in Art & Design; and Sarah Jane McArdle, HC in Culinary Arts.



## Réamhfhoghlaim á haithint le huirlis fheidhmchláir RPL e-Portfolio CCU

Sheol Comhghuaillíocht Chonnacht-Uladh (GMIT, IT Shligigh agus IT Leitir Ceanainn) láithreán gréasáin nua agus uirlis e-portfolio, a thabharfaidh eolas, tacaocht agus éascaíocht ar fáil d'iarratasóirí Éireannacha nó idirnáisiúnta agus iad ag cur isteach ar RPL (aitheantas ar réamhfhoghlaim) chun iontráil a fháil ar chlár nó chun diolúní a lorg ó chodanna de chlár.

Tá tairseach tiomnaithe ([www.myexperience.ie](http://www.myexperience.ie)) cruithaithe chun eolas ábhartha a chur ar fáil trí fhíséain ghearra agus téacs. Rianaíonn an láithreán gréasáin na meicníochtaí difriúla a bhaineann le measúnú RPL, cuireann sonraí ar fáil faoin bpróiseas agus naisc le huirlis e-Portfolio CCU.

Cruthaíodh an uirlis e-Portfolio in Moodle 2.6 de bhrí go soláthraíonn sí do mheasúnú foghlama. Faoi láthair tá e-Portfolio CCU á phíolótú in GMIT, IT Leitir Ceanainn agus IT Shligigh. Lena chois sin, tá modúl cleachtais acadúil ar RPL (L9, 10 ECTS) forbartha agus tabharfaidh scór ball foirne as GMIT, IT Shligigh agus IT Leitir Ceanainn faoin gclár oiliúna le haghaidh measúnaithe agus meantóirí RPL le linn na sé mhí seo chugainn. Tá an Dr Carina Ginty, GMIT, Gavin Clinch, IT Shligigh, agus Oran Doherty, IT Leitir Ceanainn ar an bhfoireann tionscadail. Chun breis eolais a fháil déan teagmháil le carina.ginty@gmit.ie nó [www.myexperience.ie](http://www.myexperience.ie)

## An iontógáil de lucht na chéad bhliana is mó riamh i Meán Fómhair 2014

Chuir GMIT fáilte roimh beagán níos mó ná 2,000 de lucht na chéad bhliana chuig gach campas ag túis na bliana acadúla seo, thart ar 140 níos mó ná iontógáil na bliana seo caite (2013) agus 400 níos mó ná 2012. Ta beagnach 40% de na neacha léinn céad bhliana ag staidéar ar chláir chéime leibhéal 8 (onóracha). Sin méadú de 120% i gcomórtas leis an mbliain seo caite (2013). Tá 60% i mbun staidéir ar chláir chéimeanna (gnáthchéim) leibhéal 7 agus Ardteastas (L6) le chéile, titim de 10% ar 2013, rud a chuireann in iúl bogadh ó roghanna L6 agus L7 go dtí céimeanna Onóracha.

Bhí na hiontógálacha ba mhó sna Scoileanna Eolaíochta agus Innealtóireachta, rud a léirigh an t-éileamh ar na cláir disciplíní STEM ag an leibhéal náisiúnta. Tá Scoil na hEolaíochta ag reáchtáil seisiún bhreise saotharlainne tráthnóna i mbliana den chéad uair chun freastal ar an lín méadaithe ar a gcuid clár. Rinne gach neach léinn sa chéad bhliain clár ionduchtaithe dhá lá a d'óstáigh Seirbhís Neach Léinn GMIT; ghlac neacha léinn



## Recognising prior learning with the CUA RPL e-Portfolio application tool

The Connacht Ulster Alliance (GMIT, IT Sligo and LYIT) has launched a new website and e-portfolio tool, which will inform, support and facilitate Irish or international applicants in applying for RPL (recognition of prior learning) to gain entry onto a programme or seek exemptions from parts of a programme.

A dedicated web portal ([www.myexperience.ie](http://www.myexperience.ie)) has been created to provide relevant information through short videos and text. The website defines the different mechanism of RPL assessment, provides details on the process and links to the CUA e-Portfolio tool.

The e-Portfolio tool was created in Moodle 2.6 as it provides for assessment of learning. The CUA e-Portfolio is currently being piloted in GMIT, LYIT and IT Sligo. In addition an academic practice module on RPL (L9, 10 ECTS) has been developed and twenty staff from GMIT, IT Sligo and LYIT will undertake the RPL assessors and mentors training programme over the next six months. Dr Carina Ginty, GMIT, Gavin Clinch, IT Sligo, and Oran Doherty Ly IT are the project team. For further information contact carina.ginty@gmit.ie or go to [www.myexperience.ie](http://www.myexperience.ie)

## Bigest ever intake of first years in Sept 2014

GMIT welcomed just over 2,000 first years to all campuses at the start of this academic year, some 140 more than last year's intake (2013) and 400 more than 2012. Almost 40% of all first years are studying level 8 (honours) degree programmes, an increase of 10% compared to last year (2013). 60% of first years are studying level 7 (ordinary) degrees and Higher Certificate (L6) programmes combined, a drop of 10% on 2013, indicating a shift away from L6 and L7 to honours degree choices.

The biggest intakes were in the Schools of Science and Engineering, reflecting demand for the STEM discipline programmes at national level. Science is running additional evening laboratory sessions this year for the first time, to cater for the increase in student numbers on their programmes. All first years attended a two-day induction programme hosted by GMIT Students Services; international students also took part in induction week, co-hosted by staff

páirt freisin i seachtain iondúchaithe, agus í arna cómhóstú ag an oifig idirnáisiúnta agus Seirbhísí Neach Léinn.

### Faigheann Richie Hoare agus John Carty Duaiseanna Laoch-Theagaisc (Hero Teaching Awards) arna n-ainmniú ag neacha léinn

Bhronn an Fóram Náisiúnta um Fheabhsú Teagaisc agus Foghlama san Ardoideachas i gcomhpháirtíocht le hAontas na Neach Léinn in Éirinn (USI) Duaiseanna Laoch-Theagaisc ar na léachtóirí John Carty agus Richie Hoare. Is léachtóir i Margáiocht, Bainistíocht agus Caidreamh Poiblí sa Choláiste Turasóireachta & Ealaíon é John as Lios an Choill, Co. Roscomáin. Is léachtóir sinsearach i gCuntasáocht sa Scoil Ghnó é Richie as Doireán, Co. Roscomáin. Bhí siad i measc 53 múinteoir as 27 institiúid ardoideachais a fuair acaláidí i gCaisleán Bhaile Átha Cliath ar 30 Meán Fómhair. Is í iarUachtaráن na hÉireann Máire Mhic Ghiolla Íosa pátrún na nduaiseanna.

Rinne neacha léinn na hainmniúcháin a bhí bunaithe ar a gcuid dearcaí féin ar cad is dóigh leo gur teagasc den scoth é. Dúirt Sam O'Neill, Uachtaráن Aontas na Neach Léinn: 'Fuaires aischothú ó neacha léinn ar bhonn laethúil faoin obair iontach a rinne formhór na léachtóirí san Institiúid. Is breá an rud é beirt eiseamláirí den scoth agus aitheantas ar leibhéal náisiúnta á fháil acu ar a dtiomantas chun eispéaras oideachasúil neach léinn a fheabhsú. Déanann siad iarracht bhreise nuair a bhíonn obair chrua, tacáonn siad leis na neacha léinn agus déanann siad breis cúram – is fior laochra teagaisc iad.'

*Sa phictiúr tá John Carty (ar chlé) agus Richie Hoare (ar dheis) leis na duaiseanna don Laoch Teagaisc.*

in the international office and Student Services.

### Richie Hoare and John Carty receive Teaching Hero Awards nominated by students

Lecturers John Carty and Richie Hoare were awarded Teaching Hero Awards by the National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education in partnership with the Union of Students in Ireland (USI). John from Lisacul, Co Roscommon, lectures in Marketing, Management and Public Relations in the College of Tourism & Arts, and Richie from Derrane, Co Roscommon, is a senior lecturer in Accountancy in the School of Business. They were among 53 teachers from 27 higher education institutions who received their accolades in Dublin Castle on 30 September. Former President of Ireland Mary McAleese is patron of the awards.

The nominations were made by students based on their own perspectives of what great teaching means to them. Sam O'Neil, Students' Union President, said: "I get feedback from students on a day to day basis about the amazing work carried out by most lecturers within the Institute. It is great to see two shining examples getting recognition on a national level for their dedication to improving students' educational experiences. They raise the bar when it comes to working hard, supporting students and going that extra mile – they truly are teaching heroes."

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Pictured are John Carty (left) and Richie Hoare (right), with their Teaching Hero awards.

## Gnóthaíonn Foireann Ghnó Dúshlán Náisiúnta Ernst & Young

Bhain cùigear neach léinn Gnó an chéad duais i nDúshlán Cluiche Beirte Náisiúnta Ernst & Young (EY) a bhí ar oscailt den chéad uair do gach Institiúid Teicneolaíochta sa tir. Ghnóthaigh Robyn Conboy, Kaoibha Merrick, Paul Maloney, Yuri Schmidt agus Kassandra Siva Sivajothi dearbhán €100 an duine agus cuireadh iad ar an mbealach mear le haghaidh agallamh do chlár ioctha Intéirneacht Samhraidh EY i mí Iúil i mbliana (2015).

Bhí ar na neacha léinn ar an gelár Baitsiléir Gnó (Onór) i gCuntasáiocht analís a dhéanamh ar chás-staidéar agus na réitigh ghnó a mhol siad a chur i láthair agus a chosaint os comhair páirtnéirí EY.

Deir Carmel Brennan, Ceann na Roinne Cuntasáiochta, GMIT, gur éacht iontach é an duais fhoriomlán seo a ghnóthú de bhrí go raibh iomaiocht láidir ann ó na coláistí go léir go náisiúnta. ‘Táimid an-bhródúil as an bhfoireann bhuach agus as a léachtóirí meantóirí – Kevin McDonagh agus Shane Moran. Mhol na moltóirí na neacha léinn as a gcumas analíseach agus a scileanna cumarsáide, ar scileanna inaistrithe iad sin a gcuirimid béim mhór orthu in GMIT’.

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C go D: Shane Moran, léachtóir sa Scoil Ghnó, Yuri Schmidt, Kassandra Siva Sivajothi, Paul Maloney, Kaoibha Merrick, Robyn Conboy agus Kevin McDonagh, léachtóir sa Scoil Ghnó.



## Gnóthaíonn neacha léinn cócaireachta ocht mBonn Óir & an Phríomh-Dhuais don Sláinteachas ag Catex 2015

Ghnóthaigh neacha léinn i gColáiste Turasóireachta & Ealaón GMIT go hiontach ag Catex 2015, ceann de na comórtais náisiúnta cócaireachta agus imeachtaí lónraithe is mó i dtionscal bia na hÉireann. Ghnóthaigh siad ocht mBonn Óir ar a n-áirítear aon teideal déag ‘Buaiteoir Foriomlán’ i gcatagóirí éagsúla cócaireachta le linn animeachta san RDS i mBaile Átha Cliath i bhFeabhra. Ghnóthaigh foireann neach léinn an Duais don Sláinteachas freisin le linn na dtrí lá agus scór iomlán de 100% acu.

## Business team wins National Ernst & Young Challenge

Five Business students in GMIT have scooped first prize in the national Ernst & Young (EY) Head-to-Head Challenge which, for the first time, was open to all Institutes of Technology in the country. Robyn Conboy, Kaoibha Merrick, Paul Maloney, Yuri Schmidt and Kassandra Siva Sivajothi won a €100 voucher each, and are fast-tracked to interviews for the EY Summer Internship paid programme this July (2015).

The Bachelor of Business (Hons) in Accounting students had to analyse a case study, and present and defend their recommended business solutions in front of EY partners.

Carmel Brennan, Head of Dept of Accounting, GMIT, says it is a great achievement to win this overall prize, given that there was strong competition from all colleges nationwide. “We are very proud of our winning team and their lecturer mentors – Kevin McDonagh and Shane Moran. The judges commended the students on their analytical ability and communication skills, both transferable skills which we place a lot of emphasis on in GMIT.”

L to R: Shane Moran, lecturer, School of Business, Yuri Schmidt, Kassandra Siva Sivajothi, Paul Maloney, Kaoibha Merrick, Robyn Conboy and Kevin McDonagh, lecturer, School of Business.

## Culinary students win eight Gold Medals & top Hygiene Award at Catex 2015

Students in GMIT’s College of Tourism & Arts have once again swept the awards board at Catex 2015, one of the biggest national culinary competitions and networking events in the Irish foodservice industry. They won eight Gold Medals including eleven ‘Overall Winner’ titles in a variety of culinary categories during the event in the RDS, Dublin in February. A team of students also won the national Hygiene Award over the three days with a perfect score of 100%.

Is mór-mhol lónraithe é Catex le treochtaí a bhrath, máistir-ranganna, dúshláin chócaireachta agus craobhtheidil, ar a n-áirítear Cóaire na hÉireann, Craobhchomórtas Manglam na hÉireann, Comórtas Foirne Neach Léinn Coláiste (ar a dtugtar Cook agus Serve) agus tuilleadh.

Chuir GMIT 23 neach léinn isteach ar na catagóirí aonair uile beagnach den chomórtas. Lena chois sin, ghlac siad páirt in imeacht foirne – an comórtas *cócráil agus dálí* faoina dtugtar dhá uair go leith d'fhoireann de thriúr cócairí agus beirt fhreastalaith chun béile trí chúrsa a ullmhú agus a chur i láthair deichniúr aíonna agus beirt mholtóirí. Sa phictiúr tá foireann bhuach Cocráil agus Dáil in éineacht lena léachtóirí.

C go D: Léachtóir Diarmuid Ó Conghaile, neach léinn Marek Hajduk, Shane Austin, Patrycja Sadowska, Aisling Lee, léachtóir Frank O'Connor, neach léinn Cezary Sodel agus léachtóir Brian Morrissey.

### Gnóthaíonn Leitir Fraic na Scileanna Náisiúnta den 7ú huair as a cheile

Ghnóthaigh neach léinn de chuid Co. Lú ó champas Leitir Fraic GMIT an phríomhdhuais, a bhfuil an-tóir uirthi, i gComórtas Náisiúnta Scileanna Éireann i gCaibinéadaireacht a reáchtáladh in Institiúid Bprechóideachais Dhún Laoghaire. Bhain Ronan Geoghegan as Dún Dealgan céim BSc (Onóir) amach sa chlar Dearadh agus Déantúsaíocht Troscáin (Samhain 2014) agus tá sé ag obair do MJM Interior Build, ceannaire domhanda in athchóiriú long cursála, bád farantóireachta, luamh agus gach cineál foirgneamh poiblí.

Sa craobhchomórtas, ba neacha léinn agus céimithe de chuid Leitir Fraic GMIT cúigear as seachtar iomaitheoirí sa bhabhta ceannais, áit a bhfuil tuairisc oibre den scoth le haghaidh feidhmíochta ag an leibhéal seo agus a rá gurbh é sin an seachtú bliain as a chéile gur gnóthaiodh an duais. Ba iad sin Daniel Hawthorne, Shane Walsh, Cian Mulligan a bheidh ag dul ar aghaidh go dtí na craobhbhabhtaí idirnáisiúnta sa Bhrasaíl, agus Matthew Frazer.

Agus iad ag obair as mionfhoireann de líníochtaí oibre, tugadh 20 uair an chloig do na hiomaitheoirí bord agus caibinéad casta saorsheasaimh halla a dhéanamh.

Sa phictiúr thusa tá Ronan Geoghegan (sa lá) le léachtóir Leitir Fraic Anthony Clare (ar dheis) agus Declan Barrett, Institiúid Bprechóideachais Dhún Laoghaire.



To R, Lecturer Diarmuid Ó Conghaile, students Marek Hajduk, Shane Austin, Patrycja Sadowska, Aisling Lee, lecturer Frank O'Connor, student Cezary Sodel and lecturer Brian Morrissey.

### Letterfrack wins National Skills 7th year in a row

A Louth student from GMIT Letterfrack's campus has won the coveted top award in this year's IrelandSkills National Competition in Cabinetmaking, held in Dun Laoghaire Further Education Institute. Ronan Geoghegan from Dundalk, graduated with a B.Sc. (Hons) in Furniture Design and Manufacture programme (Nov 2014) and now works for MJM Interior Build, a world leader in the refurbishment of cruise liners, ferries, yachts and all kinds of public buildings.

In the competition final, five of the seven finalists were students and graduates of GMIT Letterfrack, where a proud record exists for performance at this level, being the seventh year in a row winning this award. They were Daniel Hawthorne, Shane Walsh, Cian Mulligan who is through to the international finals in Brazil, and Matthew Frazer.

Working from a detailed set of working drawings the competitors had 20 hours to make an intricate free standing hall console table and cabinet.



Pictured above are Ronan Geoghegan (centre) with GMIT Letterfrack lecturer Anthony Clare (right) and Declan Barrett, Dun Laoghaire Further Education Institute.

## Cuirtear leabhar an Dr Mark McCarthy 1916 Rising ar an ngearriosta le haghaidh duais Geographical Society na hÉireann

Cuireadh leabhar an léachtóra i Staidéar Oidhreachta an Dr Mark McCarthy *Ireland's 1916 Rising: Explorations of History-Making, Commemoration & Heritage in Modern Times* ar an ngearriosta le haghaidh duais 'Leabhar na Blána 2014' de chuid Geographical Society na hÉireann (le haghaidh leabhar a foilsíodh idir Lúnasa 2011 – Lúnasa 2013). Fógraíodh na duaiseanna ag Comhdháil Thíreolaithe na hÉireann ag UCD le linn mhí an Mheithimh.

Agus í ag déanamh comhghairdis leis an Dr McCarthy as a leabhar, dúirt an Dr Karen E. Till as Ollscoil na hÉireann Maigh Nuad agus ball den phainéal moltóirí: 'Beidh an mionchuntas seo ar na comórthaí ar Éirí Amach 1916 ar feadh beagnach céad bliain ina acmhainn luachmhar do scoláirí, chleachtóirí agus don phobal mór le linn na nDeich mbliana de cheiliúrthaí a bheidh againn.' Dúirt a comh-mholtóir, an Dr Pádraig Carmody de chuid TCD gur 'saothar deifnídeach ar an ábhar' a bhi sa leabhar.

Dúirt ball eile den phainéal, an Dr Nessa Cronin, an Lárionad don Léann Éireannach, NUI Gaillimh, faoin leabhar mar a leanas: 'Agus é bunaithe ar thaighde gan cháim agus baint bheomhar aige leis na príomh dhíospóireachtaí criticiúla a bhaineann le saincheisteanna cuimhne, comórtha agus oidhreachta stairiúla a bhaineann le tréimhse na réabhlóide i stair nua-aimseartha na hÉireann, tugann an sainchion seo lionsa Staidéar Cuimhne a bhfuil géaraghá leis mar fhráma trínrí féidir imeachtaí Éirí Amach 1916 agus a chomórthaí ina dhiadh sin a léamh. Cuireann sé leis agus tugann sé dúshlán do na hinsínt roimhe agus dearcaí criticiúla 1916 agus a thionchar ar chultúr agus sochaí na hÉireann.'

## Scríobhann Marion McGarry leabhar nua faoi throscán

Tá leabhar nua scríofa ag an Dr Marion McGarry, léachtóir i gcampas Leitir Fraic GMIT faoi throscán atá thírithe ar neacha léinn dearadh troscáin agus intí. Míníonn an leabhar an bhuntéarmaíocht a bhaineann leis an disciplín agus is féidir é a úsáid mar lámhleabhar ag dearthóirí troscáin, dearthóirí intí, ailtírí agus iad siúd atá ag miondól nó duine ar bith a bhfuil spéis aige in *decor* tí. Tá breis is 1,000 sainmhíniú ann agus é maisithe le léaráidí.

Deir Marion: 'Ní fhéadfainn an leabhar seo a scríobh murach go raibh mé ag léachtóireacht ag Leitir Fraic GMIT. Thug mo chuid oibre anseo deis dom mo chuid scileanna taighde a mhíniú i réimse nach ndéanann institiúidí tríu leibhéal eile speisialú iontu.

## Dr Mark McCarthy's 1916 Rising book shortlisted for Geographical Society of Ireland's award

Heritage Studies lecturer Dr Mark McCarthy's book *Ireland's 1916 Rising: Explorations of History-Making, Commemoration & Heritage in Modern Times* was shortlisted for the Geographical Society of Ireland's award of 'Book of the Year 2014' (for books published between August 2011-August 2013). The awards were announced at the annual Conference of Irish Geographers at UCD during May.

Congratulating Dr McCarthy on his book, Dr Karen E. Till of NUI Maynooth and a member of the judging panel, noted: "This detailed account of almost a century of 1916 Easter Rising commemorations will be a valuable resource for scholars, practitioners and a broader public during our Decade of Centenary celebrations." Fellow judge, Dr Pádraig Carmody of TCD, described the book as the "definitive work on the topic".

Another member of the panel, Dr Nessa Cronin, Centre for Irish Studies, NUI Galway, described the book as follows: "Immaculately researched and a lively engagement with the key critical debates surrounding issues of memory, commemoration and historical legacies surrounding the revolutionary period in modern Irish history, this landmark contribution offers the much needed lens of Memory Studies as a frame through which the events of the 1916 Rising, and its subsequent commemoration, can be read. It adds to, and challenges, previous historical narratives and critical interpretations of 1916 and its impact on Irish culture and society".



## Marion McGarry writes new book about furniture

Dr Marion McGarry, a lecturer in GMIT's Letterfrack campus, has written a new book about furniture aimed at students of furniture design and interiors. The book explains the basic terminology associated with the discipline and may be used as a handbook by furniture designers, interior designers, architects, those working in retail or anyone with an interest in home decor. It has over 1,000 definitions and is illustrated.

Marion McGarry says: "The book could not have been written if I had not lectured at GMIT Letterfrack. Working here offers me a chance to hone my research skills in an area that other third level institutions do not specialize in."

‘Ba é ba thús leis an leabhair dáiríre foireann nótaí ar chúrsaí téarmaíochta le haghaidh modúil a mhúinim ar a dtugtar Dearadh Intithe. Thuig mé nach raibh a leithéid eile de leabhar ann le haghaidh neacha léinn dearadh troscáin. Mar sin d’fhorbair me tuilleadh iad. Ba é a bhí mar phríomhaidhm agam, ní leabhar snasta don bhord caife a scríobh nach léifeadh duine ar bith, ach leabhar fiorasach eolasach a chruthú a bheadh ar phraghas réasúnta do neacha léinn agus a bheadh ina lámhleabhar a d’fhéadfaidís a úsáid le linn a ngairmréime.’

### Baitsiléir Gnó nua (Onór) le Fiontraíocht

Ó Mheán Fómhair 2015 ar aghaidh, beidh mar rogha ag neacha léinn Gnó speisialú a dhéanamh sa dara bliain i raon réimsí ainmnithe amhail Fiontraíocht, Margaíocht & Díolacháin agus Airgeadas & Eacnamaíocht, chomh maith le Baitsiléir Gnó ginearálta neamhainmnithe.

Chomh maith le staidéar a dhéanamh ar ábhair éagsúla Gnó d’fhonn tuiscint ghinearálta a fhorbairt ar an gcomhshaol riarracháin, eacnamaíochta, dlí agus sóisialta a n-oibríonn gnó laistigh de, bíonn an neach léinn ‘fiontraíoch’ tumtha de bhreis i gcomhshaol foghlama atá dírithe ar smaointeoireacht fiontraíoch, nuálaíocht agus cruthaíocht a fhorbairt. Bíonn forbairt scileanna domhanda dáiríre agus eispéaraí mar fhócas, chomh maith le scileanna praiticiúla a bhaineann go sonrach le fiontraithe. Le cois a bheith ina bhfócas ag forbairt scileanna, bíonn mar aidhm ag cláir BB ag GMIT tréithe riachtanacha a fhorbairt i gcéimithe, ar a n-áirítear smaointeoireacht chriticiúil, scileanna oibre foirne agus scileanna láidre scríofa agus cumarsáide béis.

### Dhá chéim nua Leibhéal 8 á dtairiscint ag campas Mhaigh Eo

Sheol GMIT dhá chlár céime Leibhéal 8, Baitsiléir Gnó agus Baitsailéir Ealaíon in Oideachas Allamuigh, agus túis leo i Meán Fómhair (2015). Tugadh na cláir isteach mar fhreagra ar an éileamh ó lucht fágála scoile a léiríonn a roghanna CAO le blianta beaga, rogha atá ag dul i méid le haghaidh cláir chéime onóracha.

Bhí an-tóir ar na cláir chéime (Leibhéal 7) Gnó agus Oideachas Allamuigh ag lucht fágála scoile le blianta fada. Deir Michael Gill, Ceann na Roinne Gnó, Daonnaíochta agus Teicneolaíochta: ‘Is mian le cuid mhaith neach léinn tosú le clár céime Leibhéal 8 tar éis an scoil a fhágáil agus is cuis áthais dúinn an deis seo a chur ina láthair.’

“The book actually started life as a set of notes on a terminology lecture for a module I teach called Design of Interiors. I realised that no such book existed for students of furniture design, and so I developed those further. My main objective was, not to write a glossy coffee table book that no-one would read but rather to create an informative factual book that would be affordable to students and would be a handbook they could continually use during their professional careers.”

### New Bachelor of Business (Hons) with Entrepreneurship

From Sept 2015, honours Business students have the option to specialise in second year in a range of denominated areas such as Entrepreneurship, Marketing & Sales and ‘Finance & Economics’, as well as a general un-denominated Bachelor of Business.

In addition to studying a variety of business subjects with a view to developing a general understanding of the administrative, economic, legal and social environment within which business operates, the ‘entrepreneurship’ student is additionally immersed in a learning environment focused on the development of entrepreneurial thinking, innovation and creativity. Real world skills development and experiences are a focus, as are practical skills particularly relevant to entrepreneurs. As well as a skills development focus, the BB programmes at GMIT endeavour to develop essential characteristics in graduates including critical thinking skills, team work skills and strong written and oral communication skills.

**Two new Level 8 degrees offered at Mayo campus**  
GMIT Mayo launched two Level 8 degree programmes, Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Arts in Outdoor Education, commencing September (2015). The programmes were introduced in response to demand from school leavers whose CAO choices in recent years indicate a growing preference for honours degree programmes.

The Business and Outdoor Education degree (Level 7) programmes have been very popular with school leavers for many years. Michael Gill, Head of the Dept of Business, Humanities and Technology, says: “Many students wish to commence a level 8 honours degree programme on leaving school and we are delighted to be able to provide them with this opportunity.”

Deir an Dr Deirdre Garvey, Ceann GMIT Maigh Eo: ‘Tá raon éagsúil clár againn a dhéanann freastal ar riachtanais áitiúla agus náisiúnta. Cuireann na céimeanna nua onóracha seo breis deiseanna ar fáil do na neacha léinn, rud a chuideoidh le forbairt an réigiún.’

### **Deiseanna idirnáisiúnta do chéimithe Oideachas Allamuigh**

Tá mar rogha ag céimithe ceathrú bliain in Oideachas Allamuigh staidéar sa Ghearmáin a dhéanamh le haghaidh na céime Máistir, san Iorua agus sa RA le linn tréimhse 18 mí mar thoradh ar thionscadal páirtneireachta nua AE. Tá GMIT Mhaigh Eo anois ina ball comhlach den chuibhreannas Ollscoileanna a thairgeann an Clár Máistir Erasmus Mundus – Staidéar Trascultúrtha Eorpach Allamuigh (TEOS). Cuireann an clár ar chumas baill foirne Oideachas Allamuigh léachtóireacht a dhéanamh ar an gclár idirnáisiúnta agus smaointe a mhalartú le páirtneírí sa chomhoibriú.

Tá clár malartaithe ar bun ag GMIT Mhaigh Eo agus Western Carolina University (WCU) do chéimithe Oideachas Allamuigh ó 2004. Tá comhaontas eile a d’fhorbair foireann Oideachas Allamuigh ar bun le hOllscoil Marburg sa Ghearmáin ó 2009. Tháinig neacha léinn SAM agus na Gearmáine ar ais go Caisleán an Bharraigh ag bronnadh na gcéimeanna i Maigh Eo le go mbronnfaí BA in Oideachas Allamuigh orthu. ‘Ní féidir luach a leagan ar na malartuithe seo de bhrí go bhfaigheann neacha léinn dearcadh idirnáisiúnta i leith an oideachas allamuigh,’ deir Kevin O’Callaghan, léachtóir ar an gclar. ‘Is buntáiste ollmhór cultúrtha atá sna cairdis a dhéantar – mar shampla, tá neach léinn malartaithe as an nGearmáin ar fhoireann sacair GMIT Mhaigh Eo s’againe – Rick Winhauer ar imreoir an-chumasach sacair é.’

Bhí Taispeántas Teagaisc GMIT 2015 ar siúl ar 3 Meitheamh agus é arna eagrú ag an Dr Carina Ginty (Oifigeach Foghlama & Teagaisc). Rinne baill foirne as an Institiúid go léir samplaí nuálaíochta teagaisc, measúnaithe don fhoghlaím, oideachas fiontraíochta, oideachas dearaidh agus bainistiú eispéaras foghlama an neacha léinn a chomhroinnt. D’éisigh thar barr leis an taispeántas agus ba chleachtadh iontach líonraithe é don fhoireann chun cleachtais a chomhroinnt i raon leathan disciplíní. Rinne breis is 65 ball foirne freastal ar sheisiúin an taispeántais agus bhí baill eile foirne ag freastal ar líne. Thug an taispeántas deis do na rannpháirtithe cúig shampla déag den scothchleachtas a ‘bhreith leo’ in an-chuid disciplíní. Cuireadh túis leis an imeacht le príomhaitheasc ón Ollamh Sue Bloxham (Ollscoil Cumbria) ar Mheastú don Foghlaim.

Dr Deirdre Garvey, Head of GMIT Mayo, says: “We have a diverse range of programmes serving regional and national needs. The addition of these new honours degrees provides further opportunities for students and will contribute to regional development.”

### **International opportunities for Outdoor Education graduates**

Fourth year Outdoor Education graduates have the option to study for a Masters degree in Germany, Norway and the UK over an 18 month period as a result of a new EU partnership project. GMIT Mayo has become an associate member of the Consortium of Universities delivering the Erasmus Mundus Master’s Programme – Transcultural European Outdoor Studies (TEOS). The project also enables GMIT Outdoor staff to lecture on this international programme and exchange ideas with partners in the collaboration.

GMIT Mayo and Western Carolina University (WCU), US, have an exchange programme in place for Outdoor Education students since 2004. Another agreement, developed by Outdoor Education staff, has been in place with the University of Marburg, Germany since 2009. At the 2014 Mayo Conferring, both US and Germany students returned to Castlebar to be conferred with a BA in Outdoor Education. “These exchanges have been invaluable in that the students get an international perspective on outdoor education,” explains Kevin O’Callaghan, lecturer on the programme. “There’s a huge cultural benefit in the friendships formed – our GMIT Mayo soccer team for example has an exchange student from Germany on the team – Rick Winhauer who is a very talented soccer player.”

The GMIT Teaching Showcase 2015 took place on June 3rd organised by Dr Carina Ginty (Learning & Teaching Officer). Teaching staff, from across the Institute shared examples of teaching innovation, assessment for learning, entrepreneurship education, design education and managing the student learning experience. The showcase was a great success and was an excellent networking exercise for staff to share practice across a wide range of disciplines. Over 65 staff attended the showcase sessions and additional staff joined in online. The showcase provided an opportunity to ‘take away’ fifteen examples of best practice in teaching and learning across many disciplines. The event kicked off with a keynote address from Prof. Sue Bloxham on Assessment for Learning (University of Cumbria).

## Aitheantas ar Fhorbairt na Réamhfhoghlama

Chuir baill foirne (4 i nGaillimh agus 2 i gcampas Mhaigh Eo) an modúl forbartha teagaisc agus foghlama leibhéal 9 (10 gcreidmheas) Aitheantas ar an Réamhfhoghlaim i gcrích. D'éiligh an modúl ar na ranpháirtithe dul i ngleic leis an uirlis measúnaithe nua RPL ePortfolio ([www.mtexperience.ie](http://www.mtexperience.ie)), meantóireacht agus measúnú ar iarrthóirí RPL agus comhthadhall a dhéanamh le páirtnéirí tionscail ar iniúchadh RPL agus, nuair a bhain sé le hábhar, modúl nó dearadh duaise sainchuspóra. Bíonn an modúl RPL á stiúradh ag an Dr Carina Ginty, GMIT. Rinne na páirtnéirí CCU (Gavin Clinch, IT Sligo), Oran Doherty, IT Leitir Ceanainn, Carina Ginty, GMIT, agus Anne Murphy DIT an modúl seo a sheachadadh.

## Táirgí Cumaschta Foghlama do Neacha Léinn Fochéime GMIT:

Tá GMIT i bpáirtnéireacht le IT Sligo agus cuideachta idirnáisiúnta foghlama ar líne Epigeum ar shraith cúrsai ar líne dar teideal **Making College Work – Academic Success Skills** a fhorbairt. Beidh sé sin ar an gcéad straith de chúrsaí foghlama ar líne a bheidh ar fáil ag gach neach léinn in GMIT ar féidir a chomhtháthú isteach i gcláir agus modhanna measúnaithe GMIT atá ann cheana féin. Tá an tionscadal seo arna stiúradh ag an Dr Carina Ginty (Foghlaim & Teagasc).

Thug Colin Bryson as Ollscoil Newcastle cuairt ar GMIT in Aibreán 2015 chun seimineár agus ceardlann a thabhairt ar theicnící Rannpháirtíochta Neach Léinn agus oibriú le neacha léinn ar dhearadh curaclaim. Ba é ba theideal don seimineár *Enabling transformative learning and developing graduate attributes in students: enhancement of engagement via partnership approaches in and beyond the curriculum*. Is stiúrthóir an Lárionaid um Onóracha Comhcheangailte ag Ollscoil Newcastle é Colin Bryson. Ba í Carina Ginty (Foghlaim & Teagasc) a d'eagraigh an seimineár agus ba é an Fóram Náisiunta um Fheabhsú Foghlama & Teagasc a mhaoinigh é.

Faoi láthair tá GMIT gafa le tionscadal forbartha MOOC dar teideal aistrithe ón 2ú leibhéal go dtí an t-ardoideachas. Tá forbairt ábhar na ngnéithe ‘discover learning’ agus ‘saorántacht dhomhanda’ den chúrsa ar líne á stiúradh ag GMIT. Ar na forbróirí oideachais as GMIT tá: Carina Ginty (treoráí an tionscadail), Sally Reid (CTA), Tom Edwards (CTA) agus Evelyn Moylan (Gnó). Déanfar céad eisiúint MOOC a phróitótú i nDeireadh Fómhair 2015 le scoileanna i nGaillimh, Luimneach, Maigh Eo agus Sligeach.

## Recognition of Prior Learning Development:

Staff in GMIT (4 Galway and 2 in Mayo campus) completed the level 9 (10 ECTS) Recognition of Prior Learning – teaching and learning development module. The module required participants to engage with the new RPL ePortfolio assessment tool ([www.myexperience.ie](http://www.myexperience.ie)), mentor and assess RPL candidates and liaise with industry partners on a RPL audit and where relevant a module or special purpose award design. This RPL module is led by Dr Carina Ginty, GMIT. This module was delivered by CUA partners (Gavin Clinch IT Sligo, Oran Doherty LyIT, Carina Ginty GMIT and Anne Murphy, DIT).

## Blended Learning Products for GMIT Undergraduate Students:

GMIT are partnering with IT Sligo and an international online learning company Epigeum in the development of a suite of online courses titled **Making College Work – Academic Success Skills**. This will be the first suite of online learning courses available to all students in GMIT that can be integrated into existing GMIT programmes and assessment methods. This project is led by Dr Carina Ginty (Learning & Teaching).

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Colin Bryson from Newcastle University visited GMIT in April 2015 to deliver a seminar and workshop on Student Engagement techniques and working with students on curriculum design. The seminar was titled – Enabling transformative learning and developing graduate attributes in students: enhancement of engagement via partnership approaches in and beyond the curriculum. Colin Bryson is the Director of the Combined Honours Centre at Newcastle University. This seminar was organised by Carina Ginty (Learning & Teaching) and funded by the National Forum for the Enhancement of Learning & Teaching.

GMIT is currently engaged in a MOOC development project titled transitions from 2nd level to Higher Education. GMIT are leading the content development of the ‘discover learning’ and ‘global citizenship’ elements of the online course. Education developers from GMIT include: Carina Ginty (project lead), Sally Reidy (CTA), Tom Edwards (CTA) and Evelyn Moylan (Business). The first release of the MOOC will be piloted in October 2015 with schools in Galway, Limerick, Mayo and Sligo.

## Príomhaitheasc in Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh

Ginty, C. Agus Harding, N. (2015) *Student Led Learning: Supporting student engagement, managing retention and the transition to Higher Education*. Príomhaitheasc, ag Comhdháil Forbartha Fhoireann Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh.

## Teastas i Meantóireacht, Leibhéal 9 (10 gcreidmheas)

Le deireanas chuir baill foirne GMIT (14) as raon disciplíní ar a n-áirítear Eolaíocht, Innealtóireacht, Turasóireacht & Ealaíona, Oideachas Allamuigh, Ríomhaireacht agus Altranás modúl leibhéal 9 i meantóireacht i gcrích. Ta mapáil déanta ar an modúl seo go dtí an dioplóma iarchéime i bhfoghlaim agus teagasc LIN ([www.lin.ie](http://www.lin.ie)). Bhí an modúl á stiúradh ag an Dr Carina Ginty agus chuidigh aoiléachtóirí le dhá sheisiún, ar a n-áirítear an Dr Martin Fitzgerald (IT Luimnigh) agus an Dr Mary Fleming (NUI Gaillimh).

## Alt Irise Foilsithe: an Dr Carina Ginty (GMIT) agus Nuala Harding (AIT)

Ginty, C agus Harding, N. (2014) The First Year Experience of a new Peer Assisted Learning Programme in two Institutes of Technology in Ireland.

Journal of Peer Learning, University of Wollongong, Australia. Available at <http://ro.uow.edu.au/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1062&context=ajpl>

Bhronn NUI Gaillimh M.Litt ar an Dr Carina Ginty i Samhain 2014. Ginty, C. (2014) Supporting the First Year Experience in Higher Education: Impact on Student Engagement, Teaching Practice and Institutional Policy.

Tráchtas M., Litt in Oideachas, Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann Gaillimh, Leabharlann.

## Keynote address in Limerick Institute of Technology

Ginty, C. and Harding, N. (2015) Student Led Learning: Supporting student engagement, managing retention and the transition to Higher Education. Keynote, at Limerick Institute of Technology Staff Development Conference.

## Certificate in Mentoring, Level 9 (10ECTS)

GMIT staff (14) from a range of disciplines including Science, Engineering, Tourism and Arts, Outdoor Education, Computing and Nursing recently completed a level 9 module in Mentoring. This module is mapped to the LIN ([www.lin.ie](http://www.lin.ie)) post graduate diploma in learning and teaching. The module was led by Dr. Carina Ginty and guest lecturers contributed to two sessions including Dr. Martin Fitzgerald (LIT) and Dr. Mary Fleming (NUI Galway).

## Published Journal Article Dr. Carina Ginty (GMIT) and Nuala Harding (AIT)

Ginty, C. and Harding, N. (2014) The First Year Experience of a new Peer Assisted Learning Programme in two Institutes of Technology in Ireland.

Journal of Peer Learning. University of Wollongong: Australia. Available at <http://ro.uow.edu.au/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1062&context=ajpl>

Dr Carina Ginty was awarded an M.Litt in Education from NUI Galway in November 2014. Ginty, C. (2014) Supporting the First Year Experience in Higher Education: Impact on Student Engagement, Teaching Practice and Institutional Policy.

M Litt in Education thesis. School of Education, National University of Ireland Galway, Library.

## Taighde agus Nuálaíocht 3.3

### Fostaithe MedTech ag freastal ar chúrsa breisoiliúna

Fostaithe as cuideachtaí teicneolaíochta leighis i gContaetha na Gaillimhe, an Chláir agus Uíbh Fhailí a chuir tú le deireanas le modúl ar an Teicneolaíocht Leighis/ Innealtóireacht Déantúsaíochta i gcampas na Gaillimhe.

Agus é arna sheachadadh ag an Dr Paul Fahy faoi stiúir an Dr Patrick Delassus, Scoil na hInnealtóireachta, le haghaidh Skillnet Chumann Feistí Leighis na hÉireann (IMDA) tháinig an cursa chun críche i mí na Samhna. Táthar ag súil go bhfillfidh an grúpa chun Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht Mheicniúil a chur i gcrích. Is oibrithe iad uile atá ag obair i dtionscal na déantúsaíochta agus iad ag cur lena scileanna do ról teicniúil ina gcuid ionad oibre.

*Sa phictiúr tá fostaithe Zimmer, Covidien, Accelent, Creganna agus Transitions Optical Ltd, in éineacht leis an Dr Paul Fahy (ar chlé), Pauline O'Flanagan, Bainisteoir Líonra, IMDA Skillnet, an Dr Patrick Delassus, (3ú ón taobh deas) agus Peter Butler (2ú ón taobh deas), Bainisteoir an Láirionad um Fhoghlaim ar Feadh an tSaoil, Gaillimh.*

### Comhdháil ar Thaighde Mara sa tSualainn:

Tháinig seachtó eolaí óg as 18 dtír le chéile ar a n-áirítear Éire/GMIT ag stáisiún mara Ollscoil Gothenburg le haghaidh scoil dhá sheachtain i dtáighde mara níos luaithe i mbliana. D'oibrigh na neacha léinn i gcomhar le chéile ar thuarascálacha agus ar chuir i láthair taighde, ar chláir faisnéise agus ar bhlaganna in éagsúlach tionscadal taighde allamuigh agus saotharlainne.

Bhí an Scoil ina cuid de Mháistir Eolaíochta Idirnáisiúnta i mBithéagsúlacht agus Caomhnú Mara (EMBC+) a thaigéar cuibhreanas ar a n-áirítear ollscoileanna Ghent (an Bheilg), Bremen (an Ghearmáin), Algarve (an Phortaingéil), Pierre agus Marie Curie (an Fhrainc), Oviedo (an Spáinn), Klaipeda (an Liotúain), agus GMIT a raibh an Dr Rick Officer agus an Dr Róisín Nash ag déanamh ionadaíochta di. Tá siad sa phictiúr, ar chlé, leis an ngrúpa in Tjarno na Sualainne.

## Research and Innovation 3.3

### MedTech employees attend upskilling course

Employees from med tech companies in Galway, Clare and Offaly recently commenced a module on MedTech/ Manufacturing Engineering in the Galway campus.

Delivered by Dr Paul Fahy under the direction of Dr Patrick Delassus, School of Engineer, for the Irish Medical Devices Association (IMDA) Skillnet, the course finished in November. It's hoped the group will return to complete the HC in Mechanical Engineering. They are all operatives working in the manufacturing industry who are upskilling for technical roles in their places of work.



Pictured are employees from Zimmer, Covidien, Accelent, Creganna and Transitions Optical Ltd, with Dr Paul Fahy (left), Pauline O'Flanagan, Network Manager, IMDA Skillnets, Dr Patrick Delassus, (3rd from right) and Peter Butler (2nd from right), Manager of the Lifelong Learning Centre, Galway.

### Marine Research Conference: Sweden

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Seventy young scientists from 18 nations including Ireland/GMIT converged at the University of Gothenburg's marine station, West Sweden, for a two week school in marine research earlier this year. Students worked collaboratively on research reports and presentations, documentaries and blogs on a great variety of field and laboratory research projects.



The School was part of the International Master of Science in Marine Biodiversity and Conservation (EMBC+) offered by a consortium including the universities of Ghent (Belgium), Bremen (Germany), Algarve (Portugal), Pierre and Marie Curie (France), Oviedo (Spain), Klaipeda (Lithuania), and GMIT, represented at the conference and School by Dr Rick Officer and Dr Róisín Nash. They are pictured, left, with the group in Tjärnö, Sweden.

## Branda Úr do Mhoil Nuálaíochta GMIT

Sheol GMIT féiniúlacht nua dá Moil Nuálaíochta campais, ar a dtugtaí Lárionaid Ghnó (IiBC), ag an imeacht bliana Spiorad na Fiontraíochta de chuid GMIT Maigh Eo i Meán Fómhair. Sheol na haochainteoirí An Taoiseach Enda Kenny agus an fiontráí agus craoltóir Bobby Kerr an branda nua.

Ghnóthaigh Allergy Lifestyle, cuideachta cliaint thosaithe i Mol Nuálaíochta GMIT Maigh Eo, an duais fhiorimlán san imeacht Spirit ‘PitchComp’. Fuair an bunaitheoir Anne Walsh €1,000 agus luach €500 de mheantóireacht ó Westbic. Ba iad a bhí sa dara háit ná Fiontán Gogarty ó Wildwoodvinegars (bunaithe i Mol Nuálaíochta GMIT Mhaigh Eo) agus Karen Coleman ó Planet Podium (bunaithe i Mol GMIT na Gaillimhe). Tá na trí chuideachta ar chlár New Frontiers maoinithe ag Fiontar Éireann atá á sheachadadh ag GMIT.

Sa phictiúr, C go D: An Taoiseach Enda Kenny, Maria Staunton, Mol GMIT Mhaigh Eo, George McCourt, Ceann Nuálaíochta agus Fiontraíochta, Mol Nuálaíochta na Gaillimhe, agus an fiontráí/craoltóir Bobby Kerr.

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## An lín is mó iarratas ar Dhuaiseanna Fiontraíochta Neacha Léinn GMIT

Cuireadh an lín is mó iarratas riamh (62) isteach ar Dhuaiseanna Fiontraíochta Neacha Léinn GMIT i mbliana chun na neacha léinn is nuálaí agus is fiontráí in GMIT a aimsiú. €2,000 atá mar chéad duais agus tá duaiseanna don dara háit (arna hurrú ag Shell) agus deis dul san iomaíocht i gComórtas Fiontraíochta Neacha Léinn de chuid Fiontar Éireann, a mhaoiníonn Fiontar Éireann agus GMIT.

Deir Maria Staunton, Bainisteoir Mol Nuálaíochta GMIT Mhaigh Eo go raibh an fhreagairt i mbliana go hiontach ar fad: “Táimid tar éis an 62 iarratas a laghdú go dtí 11. Rachaidh siad san in iomaíochtaí sa chraobhchomórtas an tseachtain seo (16 Aibreán). Tá ionadáí ó gach campas sa chraobhchomórtas agus tá áthas orainn dáréag léachtóirí a bheith againn mar mheantóirí – Brian Mulhern, Carmel Brennan, Caroline Clarke, Damien Costello, Finian Sheridan, Gabriel J Costelloe, Ivan McPhillips, Kevin McDonagh, Michael Gill, Michael Shovelin, Noreen Henry agus Shane Moran. Teastaíonn uainn go mór go mbeadh neach léinn nó foireann as GMIT sna craobhchomórtais i mbliana le haghaidh Duaiseanna Fiontar Éireann. Níor éirigh ach le IT amháin áit a fháil sna craobhchomórtais anuraidh agus b'ín IT Chorcaí cé gur éirigh le dhá ghrúpa as GMIT a bheith sna craobhchomórtais réigiúnacha.”

## New brand for GMIT Innovation Hubs

GMIT launched a new identity for its campus Innovation Hubs, formerly known as the Innovation in Business Centres (IiBCs), at the annual GMIT Mayo Spirit of Entrepreneurship event in September. The new brand was launched by guest speakers Taoiseach Enda Kenny and entrepreneur and broadcaster Bobby Kerr.

Allergy Lifestyle, a client start-up company in GMIT Mayo's Innovation Hub, won the overall prize in the Spirit ‘PitchComp’ event. Founder Anne Walsh received €1,000 euro and €500 euro worth of mentoring from Westbic. The two runners-up were FionntanGogarty from Wildwoodvinegars (based in GMIT Mayo Innovation Hub) and Karen Coleman from Planet Podium (based in the GMIT Galway hub). The three companies are on the Enterprise Ireland funded New Frontiers programme delivered by GMIT.



Pictured, L to R: An Taoiseach Enda Kenny, Maria Staunton, GMIT Mayo Innovation Hub, George McCourt, Head of Innovation and Enterprise, Galway Innovation Hub, and entrepreneur/broadcaster Bobby Kerr.

## Record number of applications for GMIT Student Enterprise Awards

A record 62 applications have been submitted for this year's GMIT Student Enterprise Awards to find the most innovative and enterprising students in GMIT. First prize is €2,000, with runner-up prizes (both sponsored by Shell) and a chance to compete in the Enterprise Ireland Student Enterprise Competition, sponsored by Enterprise Ireland and GMIT.

Maria Staunton, Manager of the GMIT Mayo Innovation Hub, says the response this year has been fantastic. “We have whittled the 62 applications down to 11. They will now compete in the final this week (16 April). We have a rep from each campus in the finals and are delighted to have twelve lecturers on board as mentors – Brian Mulhern, Carmel Brennan, Caroline Clarke, Damien Costello, Finian Sheridan, Gabriel J Costello, Ivan McPhillips, Kevin McDonagh, Michael Gill, Michael Shovelin, Noreen Henry and Shane Moran. We really want a GMIT student or team in the finals of the Enterprise Ireland Awards this year. The only IOT who made it into the finals last year was Cork IT although two GMIT groups made it to the regional Finals.”

## Idirnáisiúnú 3.4

### Cuireann grúpa as Saudi tú斯 le cúrsa dhá sheachtain TF

Chuir Scoil na hInnealtóireachta fáilte roimh 30 oiliúnóir de chuid na hAraibe Sádaí chuig GMIT ar 13 Deireadh Fómhair le haghaidh dianchlár oiliúna dhá sheachtain a chaitheamh ar ‘Chórais agus Lónraí a Chosaint’. Rinne an Chorparáid Oiliúna Teicniúla agus Gairme san Araib Shádach an cúrsa a mhaoiniú áit a bhfuil na náisiúnaigh Shádacha fostaithe mar léachtóirí, oiliúnóirí agus teagascóirí i gcoláistí agus scoileanna.

Ba léachtóirí GMIT a thug an clár, ar a n-áirítear Niall Murray, Éamoin Walsh, Mark Frain agus Séamus Dowling. Tá cuid de na ranganna á dtabhairt ar champus Mhaigh Eo. Eagraíodh cuairteanna ar chuideacthá atá bunaithe go háitiúil ar a n-áirítear Cisco agus Avaya don ghrúpa cuairte.

### Tugann Toscaireacht ó cheann de na hOllscoileanna Malaeisiacha is Tábhachtaí cuairt ar GMIT

Thug toscaireacht as Coláiste Ollscoile Tunku Abdul Rahman, Kuala Lumpur na Malaeisia cuairt ar GMIT an seimeastar seo caite d'fhonn comhaontú malartaithe a bhunú leis an Institiúid.

*Sa phictiúr a tógadh ag fáiltíú in GMIT tá, C go D: Lim Yow Bouy, Leas-Stiúrthóir, Láirionad d'Oideachais Leanúnach & Gairmiúil, TARUC, Terry McPartland, Bainisteoir Oideachais in Éirinn, Fiontar Éireann, an Dr Larry Elwood, an Dr OoPou San, Stiúrthóir an Láirionad d'Oideachas Leanúnach & Gairmiúil, TARUC, agus Lim Hong Huang, My Study Consultancy.*



## Internationalisation 3.4

### Saudi group commence two week IT course

The School of Engineering welcomed 30 Saudi Arabian trainers to GMIT on 13 October for an intensive two week training programme on ‘Protecting Systems and Networks’. The course was funded by the Technical and Vocational Training Corporation (TVTC) in Saudi Arabia where the Saudi nationals are employed as lecturers, trainers and instructors in colleges and schools.

GMIT lecturers delivering the programme include Niall Murray, Eamon Walsh, Mark Frain and Seamus Dowling. Some of the classes are being delivered on the Mayo campus. Site visits to locally based companies including Cisco and Avaya were also arranged for the visiting group.

### Delegation from top Malaysian University visit GMIT

A delegation from Tunku Abdul Rahman University College (TARUC), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, paid a visit to GMIT last semester with a view to establishing an exchange agreement with the Institute.

*Pictured at a reception in GMIT, L to R: Lim Yow Bouy, Deputy Director, Centre for Continuing & Professional Education, TARUC, Terry McParland, Manager, Education in Ireland, Enterprise Ireland, Dr Larry Elwood, Dr OoPou San, Director of the Centre for Continuing & Professional Education, TARUC, and Lim Hong Huang, My Study Education Consultancy.*

## Comhoibrithe agus Comhghuaillíochtaí 3.5

### Clár Cónaitheachta Samhraidh: CCAM

Sheol an Láriónad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha & na Meáin (CCAM) de chuid GMIT a chlár cónaitheachta ealaíne samhraidh in Iúil, agus é ag tacú le deichniúr ealaíontóirí Éireannacha agus idirnáisiúnta, cuideachta léirithe scannán, coimeádaí agus grianghráfadóir. Sheol an láriónad freisin clár nua intírneachta i gcomhpháirtíocht le Gailearaí 126 atá á reáchtáil ag ealaíontóirí i gcaithair na Gaillimhe, a bhfuil mar aidhm aige tacaíocht a thabhairt d'ealaíontóirí céimí.

Tugann na cónaitheachtaí samhraidh deis d'ealaíontóirí taighde a dhéanamh agus a gcleachtas a fhorbairt i bpríobháideachas a stiúideo féin le linn rochtain a bheith acu ar leabharlanna agus saoráidí eagarthóireachta GMIT.

Bhain an scríbhneoir/stiúrthóir Paul Mercier a ghnóthaigh an-chuid duaiseanna agus an chuideachta scannán AGM Productions Ltd atá bunaithe i nGaillimh leas as CCAM mar bhunáit le linn dóibh scéinséir gnéshad a dhéanamh dar teideal *Pursuit* le linn Iúil agus Lúnasa. Rinne na healaíontóirí agus na heagraíochtaí freastal ar imeacht chun bualadh le chéile i nGailearaí 126, Sráid Tobar an Iarla, Gaillimh, ar 4 Iúil, ag ar labhair Sarah Searson, Ceann CCAM, agus an t-aochainteoir, James Harrold, Oifigeach Ealaíne, Comhgarla Cathrach na Gaillimhe.

### Bronnann An Taisce a céad Bhrat Glas ar Leitir Fraic

Bhronn An Taisce an chéad Bhrat Glais Campais idirnáisiúnta ar champas Leitir Fraic, rud is ionann agus a chéad chloch mhile i bhforbairt inbhuanaithe an champais. Bhí searmanas foirmiúil ardaithe brait ar siúl ar 1 Deireadh Fómhair a raibh Méara Chontae na Gaillimhe, an Comh. Mary Hoade, i láthair aige.

D'oibrigh idir neacha léinn agus bhaill foirne ag GMIT agus Conamara Thiar go crua agus raon tionscnamh á gcur i bhfeidhm acu a raibh mar sprioc leo dramhaíl a laghdú agus athchúrsáil a mhéadú le linn an dá bhliain seo caite. Bhí mar thoradh ar a gcuid oibre laghdú de 48% ar an dramhaíl a théann isteach i lónadh talún, méadú de 144% ar athchúrsáil páipéir, 34% laghdú ar úsáid páipéir agus 30% laghdú ar chostais dramhaíola.

Is é Leitir Fraic an dara campas de chuid GMIT ar bronnadh stádas an Bhrait Ghais air; faomhadh an dara brat do GMIT Mhaigh Eo go foirmiúil i bhFeabhra na bliana seo (2014), ceann de na chéad Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta sa tír ar bronnadh an Brat uirthi. Tá siad ar an seacht gcampas amháin in Éirinn a bhain stádas an Bhrait Ghais amach.

## Collaborations and Alliances 3.5

### Summer Residency Programme: CCAM

GMIT's Centre for Creative Arts & Media (CCAM) launched its first summer art residency programme in July, supporting ten international and Irish artists, a film production company, a curator and a photographer. The centre also launched a new internship programme in partnership with 126 artist-run Gallery in Galway city, aimed at supporting emerging graduate artists.

The summer residencies give the artists opportunities to research and develop their practice in the privacy of their own studio while having access to GMIT's libraries and editing facilities.

Multi-award winning writer/director Paul Mercier and Galway-based film company AGM Productions Ltd who took up the film residency used CCAM as a base while shooting a feature length thriller called *Pursuit* during July and August. The artists and organisations attended a meet and greet event in 126 Gallery, Flood Street, Galway, on 4 July, addressed by Sarah Searson, Head of CCAM, and guest speaker James Harrold, Arts Officer Galway City Council.

*Pictured are some of the artists with James Harold (Centre), Deidre O'Mahony (centre right), painting lecturer, and Sarah Searson (front right), Head of CCAM.*

### An Taisce awards Letterfrack its first Green Flag

The Letterfrack campus was awarded its first international Green Campus Flag by An Taisce, marking a milestone in the sustainable development of the campus. A formal flag raising ceremony took place on 1 October, attended by the Mayor of County Galway, Cllr Mary Hoade.

Students and staff from both GMIT and Connemara West worked hard implementing a range of sustainable initiatives aimed at reducing waste and increasing recycling over the past two years. Their work resulted in a 48% decrease in waste going to landfill, a 144% increase in recycling of paper, a 34% reduction in paper usage and a 30% reduction in waste costs.

Letterfrack is the second GMIT campus to be awarded Green Campus status; GMIT Mayo which was one of the first ITs in the country to be awarded the Flag was formally approved for its second flag in February this year (2014). They are among only seven Irish campuses to have Green Flag status.

Deir Dermot O'Donavan, Ceann Campais: 'Is buntáiste breise é an laghdú ar ár gcostais oibriúcháin agus léiríonn sé conas is féidir, le cur i bhfeidhm polasaithe, airgead a shábháil do chuideachtaí sa deireadh. Is mian liom comhghairdeas a dhéanamh le gach duine a raibh baint acu leis.'

*Sa phictiúr tá C go D: Karl Elliffe, Ceann Ionadaí Neacha Léinn, léachtóirí Seán Garvey agus Hugh Mullan, an Dr Michael John O'Mahony, An Taisce, Michael Curtin, Ionadaí Neacha Léinn GMIT, Dermot O'Donovan, Ceann Roinne GMIT agus Janet O'Toole, Cathaoirleach Coiste an Champaí Ghais.*

### Seolann GMIT agus RTÉ sraith Cainteanna Earraigh

Mar chuid de pháirtneireacht GMIT le RTÉ, reáchtáladh sraith cainteanna Earraigh le daoine aonair ón gcroaoltóir seirbhísé poiblí ó Mhárta go dtí deireadh Bealtaine. Ba é an chéad chainteoir Seán Ó Ruairc, láithreoir an chláir cúrsáí reatha lár-mhaidine, ar chuir iarléachtóir Páidí Ó Lionáird, Eagarthóir Nuachta Nuacht RTÉ agus láithreoir Seacht Lá, agallamh air.

Ar na himeachtaí eile bhí máistir-ranganna le haghaidh neacha léinn Scannán & Clár Faisnéise, arna n-eagrú ag Bríd Dooley, Ceann na Cartlainne, RTÉ Digeach, ar cuid den eispéaras foghlama é. Thug sí máistir-rang agus léacht ar 22 Aibreán dar teideal 'Today's Production – Tomorrow's Archive'. Thug Eagarthóir Gnó RTÉ, David Murphy, an imeacht deiridh do neacha léinn na bliana deiridh Gnó & Turasóireacht ar an téama 'Challenges of Business Journalism'.

*Sa phictiúr tá Seán O'Rourke agus Páidí Ó Lionáird.*

### Molann aire 'tionscnamh misniúil' na Roinne Foirgníochta & Sibhialta

Mhol an tAire Sóisearach Comhshaoil Paudie Coffey foireann na Roinne Foirgníochta & Sibhialta GMIT le linn a óráide tosaigh don Chomhdháil Bhliantúil Bainistíochta Foirgníochta ar 11 Mártá. 'Feictear dom mar thionscnamh misniúil é ó cuireadh tú leis cúig bliana ó shin an uair ba mheasa don earnáil foirgníochta,' a dúirt sé.



Dermot O'Donovan, Head of Campus, says: "The reduction in our operating costs is an added bonus and shows how the implementation of environmental policies can help save companies money in the long run. I wish to congratulate all involved."

*Pictured, L to R: Karl Elliffe, Head Student Representative, lecturers Sean Garvey and Hugh Mullan, Dr Michael John O'Mahony, An Taisce, Michael Curtin, GMIT Student Representative, Dermot O'Donovan, GMIT Head of Department, and Janet O'Toole, Chair of the Green Campus Committee.*

### GMIT and RTÉ launch Spring Talks series

As part of GMIT's partnership with RTÉ, a series of Spring talks with individuals from the public service broadcaster ran from March until the end of May. The first speaker, broadcaster Sean O'Rourke, presenter of the mid-morning current affairs programme, was interviewed by former lecturer Paidi O'Lionáird, News Editor of RTÉ Nuacht and TG4 TeachtLá presenter.

Other events included masterclasses for Film & Documentary students, organised by Brid Dooley, Head of Archives, RTÉ Digital, which form part of the learning experience. She gave a masterclass and lecture on 22 April titled 'Today's production-Tomorrow's Archive'. The final event was delivered April by RTÉ's Business Editor David Murphy to final year Business and Tourism & Arts students on the topic "Challenges of Business Journalism".



*Pictured are Sean O'Rourke and Paidi O'Lionáird.*

### Minister praises Building & Civil's 'brave initiative'

Junior Environment Minister Paidi Coffey paid tribute to staff in the GMIT Dept of Building & Civil Engineering during his opening speech to the annual Construction Management Day Conference on 11 March. "It strikes me as a very brave initiative to have started five years ago at possibly the bleakest time for the construction sector," he said.

Bhí an lín ba airde toscairí riamh i láthair ar a n-áirítear conraitheoirí, soláthraithe, ailtirí, innealtóirí, suirbhéirí agus lucht gairme foirgníochta eile, chomh maith le baill foirne agus neacha léinn as cláir an chomhshaoil thóghtha de chuid GMIT, institiúidí tríu leibhéal eile, údarás pheoblí agus eagraíochtaí na hearnála poiblí. Rinne CIOB, SCSI agus CABE urraíocht ar an imeacht le tacaíocht bhainisteoirí ceantair CIF.

Dúirt eagraí na comhdhála, Martin Taggart, leis na toscairí gur tháinig méadú de 50% ar lín na n-iarratas CAO ar chláir Bhainistíochta Foirgníochta GMIT anuraidh agus nach raibh dóthain céimithe ann chun na jabanna atá ar fáil a lónadh. Dúirt sé go raibh méadú freisin ar na hiarratais ar gach clár eile a bhfuil baint acu le foirgníocht i Scoil na hInnealtóireachta.

‘Bhí toradh maith ar ár gcinneadh straitéiseach croíchláir an chomhshaoil thóghtha a choinneál – Bainistíocht Foirgníochta, Innealtóireacht Shíbhialta, Innealtóireacht Ailtireachta agus Suirbhéireacht Chainníochta – le linn an mheathailthe agus anois feicimid éileamh atá méadaithe go suntasach,’ a dúirt sé.

Dúirt an tAire Sóiseach Paudie Coffey gur bhraith sé ‘dearcadh an tsoirbheachais go bhfuil an téarnamh fior agus go mairfidh sé ag dul i méid. Labhraíonn na figiúirí ar a son féin – seasann an fhostaíocht foirgníochta ag 116,000 duine, méadú de 13,000 duine le linn na bliana seo caite amháin. Bhain na críochnuithe 11,000 amach in 2014, méadú de 32% ar 2013,’ a dúirt sé.

*Sa phictiúr, C go D: Seán Canney, léachtóir le hInnealtóireacht, Mary Rogers, Ceann na Roinne Foirgníochta & Innealtóireachta Síbhialta, an tAire Paudie Coffey, Michael Carmody, Uachtaráin GMIT, Gerard MacMichael, Ceann Scoil na hInnealtóireachta agus Martin Taggart, Cathaoirleach na Comhdhála agus léachtóir le hInnealtóireacht.*

### Bunú Líonra Náisiúnta ar Fhoghlaím atá Neach Léinn-Treoraithe (SLL) [www.lin.ie/sll](http://www.lin.ie/sll) agus é á threorú ag GMIT agus AIT

Tar éis gur éirigh go maith leis an gclár SIFII ar Fhoghlaím Neach Léinn-Threoraithe (SLL) arna stiúradh ag GMIT (2008-2011) agus páirtnéirí AIT, tugadh cuireadh don Dr Carina Ginty páirt a ghlaicadh in idirphlé earnála a bhaineann le pleannan maoinithe agus straitéiseacha in 2014. Bhí mar sprioc líonra náisiúnta d’IfT a fhorbairt a thairgeann eispéaras céad bhliana agus aistriú go cláir ardoideachais amhail PASS (Seisiúin Staidéir Phiara-Chuidithe) agus tionscnamh eile SLL agus rannpháirtíochta neach léinn. Ag eascairt as an idirphlé earnála, fuarthas maoiniú i Samhain

The conference had the highest ever number of delegates in attendance including contractors, suppliers, architects, engineers, surveyors and other construction professionals, as well as staff and students from GMIT’s built environment programmes, other third-level institutions, local authorities and public sector organisations. The event was sponsored by the CIOB, SCSI, and CABE, with support from the CIF area managers.

Conference organiser Martin Taggart informed delegates that CAO applications for GMIT Construction Management degree programmes have increased by 50% on last year and there aren’t enough graduates to fill jobs now becoming available. He said applications for all other construction related programmes in the School of Engineering are also up.

“Our strategic decision to maintain the core built environment programmes – Construction Management, Civil Engineering, Architectural Engineering and Quantity Surveying – during the downturn have paid dividends and we are now seeing significantly increased demand,” he said.

Junior Minister Paudie Coffey said he sensed “a growing mood of optimism that the recovery is real and lasting. The figures speak for themselves – construction employment now stands at 116,000 persons, an increase of 13,000 persons in the past year alone. Housing completions reached 11,000 in 2014, up by 32% on 2013.” he said.

*Pictured, L to R: Seán Canney, Engineering lecturer, Mary Rogers, Head of Dept of Building & Civil Engineering, Minister Paudie Coffey, Michael Carmody, GMIT President, Gerard MacMichael, Head of the School of Engineering and Martin Taggart, Conference Chair and engineering lecturer.*



### Establishment of a National Network on Student Led Learning (SLL) [www.lin.ie/sll](http://www.lin.ie/sll) led by GMIT and AIT

Following the success of the SIFII programme on Student Led Learning (SLL) led by GMIT (2008-2011) and partners AIT. Dr. Carina Ginty was invited to participate in sector dialogues relating to funding and strategy plans in 2014. The aim was to develop a national network of HEI’s offering first year experience and transition to higher education programmes such as PASS (Peer Assisted Study Sessions) and other SLL and student engagement initiatives. Following the sector dialogues GMIT and AIT received funding in November 2014

2014 ón bhFóram Náisiúnta chun aschuir thionscadail a fhorbairt d'fhonn lónra náisiúnta SLL a bhunú ar fud na bpáirtneirí braisle ardoideachais ar a n-áirítear IIT, Ollscoileanna, HECA, Ahead, ICOS, Institiúid na gComhairleoirí Treorach agus USI.

Ó 2015, bhí GMIT (an Dr Carina Ginty) agus AIT (Nuala Harding Uas.) ag comhthreorú forbairt ghrúpa lónra speisialta Fóram Náisiúnta Teagaisc & Foghlama ar a dtugtar Foghlaim Neach Léinn-Treoraithe (SLL) faoin Lónra Teagaisc & Foghlama (LIN) [www.lin.ie/sll](http://www.lin.ie/sll). Is grúpa sainspéisé náisiúnta é SLL atá dírithe ar choinneáil, ranpnpháirtíocht neacha léinn agus aistriú foghlameoirí in Ardoideachas. Thionól an grúpa SLL Siompóisiam Náisiúnta ar 11 Meitheamh 2015 chun taispeántas a thabhairt de na hacmhainní a d'fhorbair an grúpa, ar a n-áirítear: Neacha Léinn ag aistriú – físeán den aistear foghlama (dearcáí neacha léinn ón ardteistiméireacht go dtí breis – agus ardoideachas); r'Threoirleabhar Foghlama Piarchuidithe chun foghlaim neach léinn-láraithe a ghníomhachtú ag an 3ú leibhéal, leibhéal Breisoideachais nó dara leibhéal; físeán oiliúna don Cheannaire Neacha Léinn; sraith seimineár gréasáin ar an gCód Coláiste a Bhriseadh; agus r'Threoirleabhar do na Chéad Sé Seachtaine chun tacú le cláir ionduchtaithe a fhorbairt. Seolfar na torthaí tionscadail ag siompóisiam náisiúnta SLL i mBaile Átha Cliath ar 11 Meitheamh. Tá na sonraí uile agus an clár le fáil ag [www.lin.ie/sll](http://www.lin.ie/sll).

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### Comhdháil Náisiúnta Edtech, UCD, Baile Átha Cliath

Rinne foireann Thionscadal CCU Aitheantas ar Réamhfoghlaím (RPL) (an Dr Carina Ginty – ceannaire GMIT, Gavin Clinch – IT Shligigh, Oran Doherty – IT Leitir Ceanainn) láithreoreacht ag comhdháil Edtech in DCU 29-30 Bealtaine. Ba é ba theideal don pháipéar a cuireadh i láthair: ‘A collaborative initiative: recognising prior learning with the Connacht-Ulster Alliance e-Portfolio application tool’.



from the National Forum to develop project outputs to enable establishment a national SLL network across higher education cluster partners including IoT's, Universities, HECA, Ahead, ICOS, Institute or Guidance Counsellors and USI.

From 2015, GMIT (Dr Carina Ginty) and AIT (Ms Nuala Harding) co-led the development of a National Forum Teaching & Learning special network group called Student Led Learning (SLL) under the Learning and Innovation Network (LIN) [www.lin.ie/sll](http://www.lin.ie/sll). SLL is a national special interest group focused on retention, student engagement and learners transition in Higher Education. The SLL group held a National Symposium on June 11th 2015 to showcase the education resources developed by the group including: Students in Transition – learning journey video (student perspectives from leaving certificate to further and higher education); a Peer Assisted Learning eGuidebook to enable the activation of student-centered learning at 3rd level, FE level or second level; a Student Leader Training video; a webinar series on Cracking the College Code; and a First Six Weeks eGuide Book to support the development of induction programmes. The SLL Symposium keynotes included Prof. Liz Thomas (and Eve Lewis (Sparqs – Scotland). The project outputs will be launched at a national SLL symposium in Dublin on June 11th. Full details and the programme available at [www.lin.ie/sll](http://www.lin.ie/sll).

*Caption to follow XXXXXXXXXXXX*

### Edtech National Conference, UCD, Dublin

The Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) CUA Project team (Dr. Carina Ginty – leader GMIT, Gavin Clinch-IT Sligo, Oran Doherty-LyIT) presented at the national EdTech conference in DCU on May 29th-30th. The paper presentation was titled: ‘A collaborative initiative: recognizing prior learning with the Connacht-Ulster Alliance e-Portfolio application tool’.

## Rannpháirtíocht Neacha Léinn agus Pobail 3.6

### Seolann foireann Roinn na hInnealtóireachta comórtais teicneolaíochta do scoileanna

Sheol an Dr Paul O'Dowd, léachtóir sa Scoil Innealtóireachta CanSat 2015, comórtais nuálach do mheánscoileanna atá urraithe ag Áisínteacht Spáis na hEorpa agus ag Oifig Acmhainne Oideachais Spáis na hEorpa de chuid SFI, in GMIT i nDeireadh Fómhair. Ghlac ocht scoil ón gcathair agus ón gcontae páirt ann: Gairmscoil Mhuire, Baile Átha an Rí; Coláiste Calasanctius, Órán Mór; Coláiste Iarlatha, Tuaim; Pobalscoil an Dúin Mhóir; Scoil Chuimsitheach Chiaráin, An Cheathrú Rua; Coláiste Pobail na Gaillimhe; Coláiste Naomh Doiminic, Gaillimh agus Clochar na Trócaire, Gaillimh.

Bhí seachtar innealtóirí as cuideachtaí ardteicneolaíochta Schneider-Electric, HP, Avaya, Valeo Vision Systems agus CelTrak chomh maith le neacha léinn na Rannpháirtíochta Sibhialta de chuid na Innealtóireachta GMIT mar mheantóirí ag na foirne ar feadh roinnt míonna.

Ghnóthaigh Foireann Sputnikí Mhóinín as Coláiste Pobail na Gaillimhe, cathair na Gaillimhe, agus Foireann Sat Átha Rí as Gairmscoil Mhuire, Baile Átha an Rí, comhchéad áit i gCraobhchomórtas CanSat Iarthar na hÉireann.

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Mar a dúirt comhordaitheoir GMIT, an Dr Paul O'Dowd, an Roinn Innealtóireachta Meicniúla agus Tionsclaíche: 'Is sampla é den chineál teicneolaíochta praiticiúla a dhéanann ár gcuid neach léinn Innealtóireachta agus Eolaíochta in GMIT go maith. Tugtar deis dóibh rud inláimhsithe a thógáil agus é a fheiceáil ag obair.'

Dúirt Emer Cahill, an Roinn Innealtóireachta Leictreonaice agus Leictrí: 'Tá moladh ar leith tuillte ag na hinnealtóirí ar éirigh leo imeacht CanSat a chur isteach ina gcuid sceideal, agus do na neacha léinn agus do na léachtóirí inspreagtha a ghlac leis an tionscadal dúshlánach seo.'

*Sa phictiúr tá na foirne meánscoile, a gcuid meantóirí tionscail agus neacha léinn agus léachtóirí Innealtóireachta.*

### An dara ceadal pianó ag Musical Moments: Dé Luain 3 Samhain

Sheinn neach léinn na bliana deiridh in Acadamh Ríoga Ceoil na hÉireann clár píosaí clasaiceacha ó Bach, Janáček, Ravel agus Chopin in GMIT ar an Luan 3 Samhain ag 7.30pm (seomra 903) mar chuid de 'Musical Moments' a seoladh níos túisce sa bhliain.

## Student and Community Engagement 3.6

### Engineering staff launch technology competition for schools

CanSat 2015, an innovative technology competition for secondary schools, sponsored by the European Space Agency and SFI's European Space Education Resource Office, was launched in GMIT in October by Dr Paul O'Dowd, lecturer, Engineering School. Eight schools from the city and county took part: Gairm Scoil Mhuire, Athenry; Calasanctius College, Oranmore; St Jarlath's, Tuam; Dunmore Community College; Scoil Chuimsitheach Chiarain, Carraroe; Galway Community College; Dominican College, Taylor's Hill and Mercy Convent, Galway.

Seven engineers from high-tech companies Schneider-Electric, HP, Avaya, Valeo Vision Systems and CelTrak, along with GMIT Engineering Civic Engagement students, mentored the teams over several months.

Team Sputnikí Mhóinín from Galway Community College, Galway city, and Team Sat Atha Ri from Gairm Scoil huire, Athenry, won joint first in the West of Ireland CanSat Final.

GMIT co-ordinator Dr Paul O'Dowd, Mechanical and Industrial Engineering Dept, said: "It's an example of the kind of practical technology project that our GMIT Engineering and Science students thrive on. They get a chance to build something tangible and see it work."

Emer Cahill, Electronic and Electrical Engineering Dept, said: "Special credit is due to the busy engineers who fitted the CanSat event into their schedules, and the motivated students and lecturers who took on this challenging project."



*Pictured are the secondary school teams, their industry and student mentors, and engineering lecturers.*

### Musical Moments' second piano recital: Mon 3 Nov

A final year student at the Royal Irish Academy of Music, performed a programme of classical pieces from Bach, Janáček, Ravel and Chopin in GMIT on Mon 3 Nov, 7.30pm (room 903) as part 'Musical Moments' launched earlier in the year.

Is tionscnamh é an clár clasaiceach leis an gColáiste Turasóireachta & Ealaón i gcomhpháirtíocht le Dúchas na Gaillimhe – Galway Civic Trust. Tá cead isteach ag an bpobal.

Chuir Frank O'Connor, léachtóir le cócaireacht agus duaiseoir, mar aon le neacha léinn cócaireachta dinnéar 4 chúrsa réamhcheolchoirm ar fáil sa Bhialann Oiliúna roimh an gceolchoirm.

Dúirt an léachtóir Maria Murphy, a d'eagraigh an imeacht: 'Sheinn Billy céadal leis an Trinity Orchestra in Ardeaglais Chriost agus gnóthaíonn sé duaiseanna go rialta san Fheis Ceoil agus ag Fest Pionó Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann, agus bhí sé i gegraobhchomórtas sparántacht Morris Grant anuraidh. Bhí sé ina aonréadaí le Ceolchoireann Shiansach RIAM sa Cheoláras Náisiúnta i mBealtaine 2015.'

*Sa phictiúr tá lucht eagraithe an imeachta  
Maria Murphy, léachtóir, Coláiste  
Turasóireachta & Ealaón, agus Gerry  
O'Neill, Ceann Roinne CTE, le Mary Oifig  
CTE agus James O'Dea.*

### Gnótháinn neach léinn Bainistíocht Imeachta & PR Acaláid Tionscail

Ghnótháigh Sarah Nugent neach léinn CTA sa tríú bliain duais mhórchlúiteach náisiúnta as a cuid oibre mar intérneach le Cuideachta Chur Chun Cinn Ceolchoirme na hÉireann (MCD). Is neach léinn sa bláthain dheiridh ar an mBaitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Imeachta le Caidreamh Poiblí í Sarah agus bronnadh an Intéirneacht is Fearr uirthi ag Duaiseanna an Tionscal Imeachtaí (EIA) 2014. Chuir sí túis lena socrúchán in MCD i mBaile Átha Cliath i Meitheamh 2013, agus tacáiocht aici ó Nasc-Oifig GMIT, agus chuir críoch leis i láir Eanáir i mbliana (2014) sular fhill sí chun an tríú bliain a chur i gcríoch.

'Is iontach liom an duais seo a bheith bainte amach agam. Thug gné an tsocrúchán oibre de mo chlár an deis iontach seo dom le bheith ag obair in éineacht leis na daoine is fearr sa tionscal seo agus teagasc a fháil uathu. Sna hotha mí dhéag a chaitheas in MCD fuair mé taithí i réimsí éagsúla den táirgeadh, agus bhíos ag obair san oifig láithreáin, i rialú imeachta, i dtáirgeadh seomra gléasta, i mbainistiú iompair, creidiúnú, cúram custaiméara agus tosach tí in ionaid amhail an Gaiety'.

Deir Tomás Mangan, léachtóir agus meantóir, go bhfuil an coláiste bródúil as rath Sarah.

The classical programme is an initiative of the College of Tourism & Arts in partnership with Dúchas na Gaillimhe – Galway Civic Trust. The events are open to the public.

Award-winning culinary lecturer Frank O'Connor and culinary students presented a pre-concert 4 course dinner in the Training Restaurant prior to the concert.

Event co-ordinator and lecturer Maria Murphy, said: "Billy has performed with Trinity Orchestra in Christchurch Cathedral and is a regular prize winner in the Feis Ceoil and RIAM Piano Fest, having reached the final of the Morris Grant bursary last year. He performed as soloist with the RIAM Symphony Orchestra in the National Concert Hall in May 2015."



Pictured are event organizers Maria Murphy, lecturer, College of Tourism & Arts, and Gerry O'Neill, Head of CTA Dept, with Mary (CTA Office) and James O'Dea.

### Event Management & PR student wins industry accolade

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Third year CTA student Sarah Nugent has won a prestigious national award for her work as an intern with Irish Concert Promotion Company MCD. A final year student on the Bachelor of Business in Event Management with Public Relations, Sarah was awarded "Best Intern" at the Event Industry Awards (EIA) 2014. She started her placement in MCD in Dublin in June 2013, supported by the GMIT Links Office, and finished in mid-January this year (2014) before returning to complete her third year.



"I'm thrilled to have won this award. The work placement aspect of my programme allowed me this amazing opportunity to work alongside, and be taught by, some of the best people in this industry. In the eight months I was in MCD I got to experience different areas of production, and worked in site office, event control, dressing room production, transport management, accreditation, customer care and front of house in venues such as the Gaiety."

Tomas Mangan, lecturer and mentor, says the college is proud of Sarah's success.

## Baint ag neacha léinn GMIT le bua Uile-Éireann Chora Fine

Is iomaí nasc atá ag GMIT le buaiteoirí Craobh Club Uile-Éireann Cora Fine a fuair an bua ar Shlachtnéill le 1-14 in aghaidh 0-7 i bPáirc an Chrócaigh Lá le Pádraig. Tá cúigear neach léinn, ar a n-áirítear an captaen, ag GMIT agus aon chéimí dhéag ar an bpainéal buach. Tá roinnt ball fairne ag an Institiúid as an daingean mór peile sin freisin.

Tá na himreoirí reatha Michael Farragher (Captaen), Ronan Steede agus Adrian Molloy go láir sa Roinn Leictreonaice, agus is neacha léinn scoláireachta iad Michael agus Ronan freisin. Is neach léinn i bhForbairt Bogearraí é an scórálaí cúil Martin Farragher.

Is céimithe iad uile Alan Burke, Greg Higgins, Michael Lundy (Imreoir an Chluiche), Justin Burke, Joe Canny, Alan O'Donovan, Aineas Lawless, Shane Monaghan, Pádraig Kelly agus Kevin Murphy.

Bhí bainisteoir na fairne Stephen Rochford ina chomhbhainisteoir ar fhoireann Sigerson GMIT in 2008. Is neach léinn (agus iar-shárimreoir) faoi lathair é Trevor Burke (Roghnoir) ar an BSc (Onór) in Oideachas Dearaidh agus Teicneolaíochta ag Leitir Fraic, agus is céimí de chuid GMIT freisin é Kevin O'Brien (Roghnoir).

*Sa phictiúr, C go D: Damian Curley, Oifigeach Forbartha Spóirt GMIT, Martin Farragher, Trevor Burke (Roghnoir), Ronan Steede, Seán O'Dea, Bainisteoir Peile GMIT agus an Roinn Ríomhaireachta.*

## Taispeántais ealaíne neacha léinn & fairne: Bóthar na Trá, Gaillimh agus Caisleán an Bharraigh, Maigh Eo

Bhí dhá thaispeántas ealaíne de chuid GMIT ar siúl le linn mhí na Nollag (2014) ag Caisleán an Bharraigh agus Bóthar na Trá, Gaillimh. Bhuaill na neacha léinn bob ar a léachtóirí trí thaispeántas obair ealaíne na léachtóirí a choimeád i nGailearaí Norman Villa i mBóthar na Trá. Is neacha léinn tríú bliain iad uile ar an gclár Baitsiléir Ealaíon Lidia Montemurri, Therese Murphy agus Rosie O Connell, ar a dtugtar an Trí-Collective. Rinne siad obair ealaíne le 18 n-ealaíontóir déag de chuid CCAM a choimeád, ar a n-áirítear Blaise Drummond, Fiona Murray, an dealbhóir Katherine West agus an ceirmeach Rob D'eath. Bhí idir phéintéireacht, cheirmeacht, dhealbhóireacht, phriontaíl, ghrianghrafadóireacht agus mheáin mheasctha le feiceáil.



*Pictured L to R: Damian Curley, GMIT GAA Sports Development Officer, Martin Farragher, Trevor Burke (Selector), Ronan Steede, Sean O'Dea, GMIT Football Manager and Computing Dept. Front, Adrian Molloy (left) and Mike Farragher (Captain).*

## Student & staff art exhibitions: Salthill and Castlebar

Two GMIT art exhibitions took place during the month of December (2014) at Castlebar and Galway's Salthill. Art students from CCAM turned the tables on their tutors by curating an exhibition of the lecturers' artwork in the Norman Villa Gallery in Salthill. Students Lidia Montemurri, Therese Murphy and Rosie O Connell, known as 'Trí-Collective', are all third year students on the Bachelor of Arts programme. They curated artwork by 18 CCAM artists including Blaise Drummond, Fionna Murray, sculptor Katherine West and ceramicist Rob D'eath. It featured painting, ceramics, sculpture, print photography and mixed media.

In ionad ar leithligh, bhí 'In Situ', taispeántas de shaothair nua le healaíontóirí atá bunaithe i Maigh Eo, Betty Gannon, Joanna Hopkins, Amanda Rice agus Ian Wieczorek, ar siúl i gCaisleán an Bharraigh. Ba iad an ceathrar ealaíontóirí seo na healaíontóirí roghnaithe chóinéarachta ag GMIT Mhaigh Eo, a bhí ar siúl i rith an tsamhraidh. Chruthaigh siad saothair ar leith a bhí suite in áiteanna difriúla den choláiste atá mar fhreagra ar a ndearcáit téamacha féin ag eascairt as an am a chaith siad mar ealaíontóirí cóinéarachta in GMIT.

*Sa phictiúr ag Gailearaí Norman Village i mBóthar na Trá, Gaillimh, C go D: Therése Murphy, Rosie O'Connell, Méara na Gaillimhe, Donal Lyons agus Lidia Montemurri.*

### Gnóthaíonn imeacht an Chlub Surfála an 'Duais don imeacht náisiúnta spóirt is fearr'

Ghnóthaigh an Club Surfála in GMIT Mhaigh Eo aitheantas náisiúnta as a fheabhas ar éirigh leo i bpleanáil agus óstú na gCraobhchomórtais Surfála Idir-Ollscoileanna níos luaithe i mbliana. Ghnóthaigh an club Duais Éireann na Blíana don Imeacht Spóirt Neacha Léinn nuair a fuair siad an bua ar 30 imeacht spóirt náisiúnta eile don teideal. Dúirt moltóirí an chomórais gurbh é imeacht Idir-Ollscoile an Chlub Surfála 'an sárimeacht'.

Chaith coiste an Chlub Surfála Jarlath McHale, Eilis Teegan, Chris Delemere, Jason Phelan, Alan Ó Conaire agus Peter O'Riordan bliain iomlán i mbun pleánáil an imeachta. Ghnóthaigh a gclub duais don fhoireann fhioriomlán sna comórtais Idir-Ollscoileanna a bhí ar siúl in Acaill, Co. Mhaigh Eo, i Mártá na bliana seo.

Mhol an tOifigeach Spóirt Nigel Jennings an coiste as a gcuid scileanna eagraíochta, pleánála agus bainistíochta, nuair a dúirt sé: Is fiú a thabhairt faoi deara, i measc na n-imeachtaí eile a bhí ar siúl le linn na bliana go raibh clúdach teilifíse beo náisiúnta deimhnithe ag Coirn Sigerson & Fitzgibbon i bpeil Ghaelach agus iománaíocht, comórtais atá bunaithe le fada móide cúnamh ollmhór eagraíochtaí ó CLG.

*Sa phictiúr tá na neacha léinn Jarlath McHale agus Eilis Teegan agus an duais á glacadh acu thar ceann Club Surfála GMIT Mhaigh Eo.*



*Pictured at the Salthill (Norman Village), gallery, Galway, L to R: Therése Murphy, Rosie O'Connell, the Mayor of Galway Donal Lyons and Lidia Montemurri.*

### Surf Club's event wins 'Best national sport event award'

The Surf Club in GMIT Mayo won national recognition for their success in planning and hosting the Intervarsities Surf Championships earlier this year.

The club won Student Sport Ireland (SSI) Event Award of the Year, beating over 30 other national sporting events for the title. Judges of the competition said the Surf Club's Intervarsities event was "the outstanding event".

The Surf Club committee of Jarlath McHale, Eilis Teegan, Chris Delemere, Jason Phelan, Alan Ó Conaire and Peter O'Riordan put a full year into planning the event. Their club also won the overall team prize in the Intervarsity's which took place in Achill, Co Mayo, in March this year.

Sports Officer Nigel Jennings paid tribute to the committee for their organisational, planning and management skills, saying: "It's worth noting that among the other events that took place during the year were the Sigerson & Fitzgibbon Cups in Gaelic football and hurling, long-established competitions which both had the benefit of guaranteed live national TV coverage plus huge organisational assistance from the GAA."



*Pictured are students Jarlath McHale and Eilis Teegan receiving the award on behalf of the GMIT Mayo Surf Club.*

## Glacann foirne GMIT páirt i gCraobhchomórtas Seoltóireachta Róbataí an Domhain

Bhí dhá bhád ag GMIT a bhí san iomaíocht i gCraobhchomórtas Seoltóireachta Róbataí an Domhain go luath i Meán Fómhair, Seol agus Malendroke, a raibh neacha léinn as innealtóireacht leictreonaice & leictrí, innealtóireacht fuinnimh agus innealtóireacht mheicniúil páirteach ann.

Neacha léinn sa tríú bliain leictreonaice, John Lynam agus Janet Hardiman, Brian Cunnane, neach léinn as an gceathrú bliain leictreonaice, agus Brendan Henry, neach léinn sa cheathrú bliain innealtóireachta fuinnimha a bhí ar fhoireann Seol.

Ar fhoireann Malendroke bhí na neacha léinn Clunas Low Bennett agus Rastislav Petras, neacha léinn as an tríú bliain leictreonaice, Christoph Schellenberg, neach léinn as an 3ú bliain innealtóireachta fuinnimh, agus Brendan Divilly, neach léinn as an 1ú bliain innealtóireachta meicniúla.

Dúirt Seán Coffey, léachtóir i Scoil na hInnealtóireachta GMIT agus meantóir na n-iomaitheoirí: 'gur deis thaitneamhach agus spreagúil a bhí sa dúshlán a cuireadh roimh na neacha léinn chun a gcuid scileanna ardteicneolaíochta a chur i bhfeidhm agus a fhorbairt.'

## Tagann na sluaite chuig imeacht an FoodieForum & Gastronomy West

D'éisigh thar barr le FoodieForum i mbliana agus tá áit ar leith bainte amach aige mar an t-aon imeacht dá leithéid i suíomh tríú leibhéal in Éirinn. Agus é cumascta le Gastronomy West den chéad uair i mbliana, mheall sé mórspéis ó chócairí, táirgeoirí, grúdaírí ceirde, lucht bialainne agus diograiseoirí cócaireachta ó chuile cheard den thír.

Thug an t-imeacht le chéile saineolaithe agus príomhchainteoirí ar an ngastranamaíocht agus ar an turasóireacht maidir le topaíc amhail Éiceathurasóireacht & Turasóireacht Eachtraíochta, 'Feamainn agus fadsaol – an Aiste Bia a fheabhsú in Éirinn,' Eispéaras na turasóireachta i dtimpeallacht tuaithe, Forbairt conairí bia' agus cuid mhaith eile.

Bhí an t-imeacht lae le feiceáil ar an gclár Éireannach Teilifise Galway Matters (Cainéal Sky 191) ar an Aoine 20 Márta. Féach ar <http://www.irishtv.ie/galway-matters-30/>



## GMIT teams take part in World Robotic Sailing Championship

GMIT had two boats competing in the World Robotics Sailing Championships in early September, Seol and Malendroke, involving students from electronic & electrical engineering, energy engineering and mechanical engineering.

The Seolteam were 3rd year electronics students John Lynam and Janet Hardiman, 4th year electronics student Brian Cunnane, and 4th year energy engineering student Brendan Henry.

The Malendroketeam were 3rd year electronics students Ciunas Low Bennett and Rastislav Petras, 3rd year energy engineering student Christoph Schellenberg, and 1st year mechanical engineering student Brendan Divilly.

Sean Coffey, lecturer in the GMIT School of Engineering and the competitors' mentor, said "that the challenge presented an enjoyable and exciting opportunity for students to apply and develop their high-tech skills."

## Crowds flock to Foodie Forum & Gastronomoy West event

This year's FoodieForum proved to be a huge success and is now uniquely placed as the only event of its kind in a third-level setting in Ireland. Merged with Gastronomy West for the first time this year, it attracted major interest from chefs, food producers, craft brewers, restaurateurs and culinary enthusiasts from around the country.

The event brought together experts and key note speakers on gastronomy and tourism on topics such as Eco & Adventure Tourism, "Seaweed and longevity – Improving the Irish diet", "The tourism experience in a rural environment", "Food trail development" and much more.

The day-long event featured on Irish TV's Galway Matters programme (Sky Channel 191) on Friday 20 March. See: <http://www.irishtv.ie/galway-matters-30/>

*Sa phictiúr thusa tá cuairteoirí ag ceann de na taispeántais, 'Tionchair Áiseacha ar Chócaireacht na hÉireann', le Bryan McCarthy as Greenes i gCorcaigh.*

## Reáchtáinn Leitir Fraic agus CCAM comhthaispeántas don tSeachtain Dearaidh

Chuaigh neacha léinn agus céimithe de chuid chláir dearaidh GMIT i gcomhar le cheile chun taispeántas spreagúil obair ealaíne agus píosaí troscáin a réachtáil sa Lárionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha agus na Meáin GMIT (CCAM) ar 10 Samhain mar chuid de chéad Seachtain Dearaidh na Gaillimhe. Ar taispeáint ann bhí teicstíl, ceirmigh, dearadh troscáin, mínealaín, ilmheáin agus scannáin.



*Pictured above are visitors at one of the demos, 'Asian Influences on Irish Cuisine', with Bryan McCarthy from Greenes of Cork.*

Dúirt Kevin Maye, duine de na baill léachtóireachta a d'eaagraigh an t-imeacht gur léirigh sé 'conas is féidir leis an ealaín tionchar a imirt ar an dearadh agus é a spreagadh agus an chaoi a mbíonn táirge críochnaithe mar thoradh ar phróiseas dearaidh. Léiríonn cuid mhaith de na saothair an chaoi a mbíonn an ealaín á spreagadh ag an táirge.'

*Sa phictiúr ar dheis tá Seán Burns, neach léinn as an gceathrú bliain Dearadh & Déantúsaiocht Troscáin, le pictiúir dá dhearadh do bhorad café uathúil.*

## 80 aip (stór Windows) mar thoradh ar Hackathon GMIT

Reáchtáil Roinn na Matamaitice agus na Ríomhaireachta de chuid GMIT an tríú hackathon bliantúil i Samhain nuair a bhí neacha léinn ag obair i gcomhar le cheile chun ríomhcláir bogearraí a chruthú. Ghlac breis is 100 neach léinn as na disciplíní Forbairt Bogearraí, Meáin Dhgiteacha agus Gnó páirt san imeacht a bhí á urrú ag Microsoft agus HP. D'éirigh go hiontach leis agus bhí mar thoradh air níos mó ná 80 aip foilsithe ar Stór Windows.

Déanann an focal 'haiceálaí' i bhfocultúr an ríomhaire cur síos ar dhuine a 'bhaineann taitneamh as an dúshlán intleachtíul atá i gceist leis an lámh in uachtar a fháil ar shrianta chórais ríomhaire agus a dhéanann iarracht cur lena gcuid acmhainní? In 2012, ghlac GMIT páirt in hackathon Microsoft 'Wowzapp' nuair a ghlac códóirí as chuile cheard den domhan páirt i seó mór códaithe bogearraí ar líne. D'éirigh chomh maith sin léis gur shocraigh GMIT a himeacht féin a reáchtáil le cabhair Microsoft Éireann.



*Pictured right is fourth year Furniture Design & Manufacture student Seán Burns with pictures of his design, a unique Coffee table.*

## GMIT Hackathon yields 80 apps (Windows store)

GMIT's Maths & Computing Dept held its third annual hackathon in November with students collaborating over two days to create software programs. Over 100 students from Software Development, Digital Media and Business disciplines took part in the event which was sponsored by Microsoft and HP. It was a huge success resulting in over 80 apps published on the Windows Store.

The word 'hacker' in computer subculture describes someone who 'enjoys the intellectual challenge of creatively overcoming and circumventing limitations of computer systems and tries to extend their capabilities'. In 2012, GMIT took part in the Microsoft 'Wowzapp' Worldwide hackathon when software coders from all over the world participated in an online software coding extravaganza. Such was its success GMIT decided to run its own event with the assistance of Microsoft Ireland.

Deir Stephen Howell as Microsoft Éireann gurb é hackathon GMIT ‘an hackathon is mó as Institiúid Teicneolaíochta ar bith in Éirinn’. Chuir Microsoft agus HP duaiseanna crannchuir ar fáil a raibh san áireamh iontu táibléd, fóin, síntíús 12 mhí do Xbox Live ‘Day One’, pinn agus t-léinteacha. Chomh maith leis sin chuir siad pizza ar fáil saor in aisce do na neacha léinn chun iad a choinneal ar siúl – breis is 600 slisne in aghaidh an lae.

Deir Damien Costello, léachtóir le ríomhaireacht, go bhfuil an t-imeacht ag dul ó neart go neart in aghaidh na bliana. ‘Is iontach go deo é an scaoll agus an sceondar a bhaineann le neacha léinn agus iad ag obair le chéile chun fíor-bhogearraí a dhéanamh’.

Tá tuilleadh eolais agus liosta de na haipeanna a foilsíodh le fáil ach an aip ‘GMIT Hackathon’ a fósldáil as Stór Windows. Sa phictiúr tá na neacha léinn a ghlac páirt sa Hackathon.



Stephen Howell from Microsoft Ireland describes the GMIT hackathon as “the biggest hackathon of any Institute of Technology in Ireland”. Microsoft and HP provided raffle prizes which include tablets, phones, Xbox Live ‘Day One’ 12 month subscriptions, pens and t-shirts. They also provided free pizza to the students to keep them going – over 600 slices per days.

Damien Costello, lecturer in Computing, says the event just keeps getting better every year. “The buzz and excitement of students working together and building real software products is fantastic”.

Find out more and get a list of all the apps published by downloading the ‘GMIT Hackathon’ app from the Windows store. Pictured are students taking part in the Hackathon.

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### Seimineár poiblí ar shocrúcháin neacha léinn altranais agus staidéar sóisialta

D'óstáigh Roinn Altranais agus Staidéar Sóisialta GMIT Mhaigh Eo seimineár (Samhain) ar shocrúcháin neacha léinn dar teideal ‘*Strengthening links between theory and practice*’. Thug Seán Campbell, POF Foróige, an príomhaitheasc a bhí dírithe ar aistear na heagraíochta go dtí cleachtais aschur-dhírithe agus oideachas-bhunaithe laistigh de shuíomh oibre óige. I láthair bhí acadúlaigh, neacha léinn agus cleachtóirí agus ba iad na cainteoirí Jeanette H Hartman, léachtóir sinsearach as NHL – Ollscoil Eolaíochta Feidhmí, Sheila McArdle, léachtóir cúnta GMIT, Gerry Murray, teagascóir ag Láirionad Traenála Bhéal an Átha, Seirbhísí Sláinte Intinne Mhaigh Eo, agus neacha léinn ar an gclár Staidéar Sóisialta Feidhmeach.

### Cuidíonn foireann Oideachas Allamuigh chun tionscnamh náisiúnta a sheachadadh

Tá GMIT Mhaigh Eo tar éis dul i gcomhar le hAcadamh Spóirt Uladh ag Ollscoil Uladh, DCU, IT Shligigh agus UCC chun an tionscadal ‘Spórt don Bheatha – Uile-Oileáin’ a chur ar fáil do bhunscoileanna i Maigh Eo. Spreagann an fiontar duaiseora leanáit chun páirt a ghlagadh i ngníomhaíocht fhisiciúil agus bia sláintíúil agus é mar aidhm aige síriú ar bhabhs is 200 scoil agus 4,000 leanbh i gceantair shoceanamaíocha ísle ar fud cheithre chúige na hÉireann.

### Public seminar on nursing & social studies student placements

GMIT Mayo’s Department of Nursing and Social Studies hosted a seminar (Nov) on student placements called ‘Strengthening links between theory and practice’. The keynote address was given by Sean Campbell, CEO of Foroige, which focused on the organisation’s journey to outcome-focused and education-based practices within a youth work setting. It was attended by academics, students and practitioners with speakers including Jeannette H Hartman, a senior lecturer from NHL-University of Applied Science, Sheila McArdle, Assistant Lecturer, GMIT, Gerry Murray an Instructor at the Ballina Training Centre, Mayo Mental Health Services, and students on the Applies Social Studies programme.

### Outdoor Education staff help deliver national initiative

GMIT Mayo has joined forces with the Ulster Sports Academy at University of Ulster, DCU, IT Sligo and UCC to bring the ‘Sport for Life-All Island’ project to primary schools in Mayo. The award winning venture encourages children to participate in physical activity and healthy eating and aims to target over 200 schools and 4,000 children in low socio-economic areas across the four provinces of Ireland.

Fuair an tionscadal \$350,000 ó Phundúireacht Coca-Cola agus beidh sé á sheachadadh ag neacha léinn deonacha oilte ó gach ceann de na hinstiúidí tríu leibhéal i gcomhpháirt le múinteoirí bunscoile. Tá léachtóirí le hOideachas Allamuigh GMIT ag déanamh ionadaíochta do GMIT ar an tionscnamh.

Deir an Léachtóir Stephen Hannon: "Is cúis gliondair dúinn a bheith in ann comhoibriú le príomhinstiúidí eile chun an clár seo a sheachadadh ar mhaithe le leanáí Mhaigh Eo."

Deir an léachtóir Pauline Jordan: 'D'éirigh leis an tionscadal Spórt don Bheatha leibhléighe ghníomhaiochta fisiciúla atá idir bhríomhar, mheasártha agus éadrom a mhéadú i measc leanáí atá ina gcónai i gceantair atá faoi mhíbhuntáiste ar fud Thuaisceart Éireann. Tá deis againneanois na buntáistí sin a chur ar fáil do leanáí Mhaigh Eo.'

*Sa phictiúr thuas, C go D: Neacha léinn Oideachas Allamuigh GMIT Hanna Breslin, Dara Mughal, Paul Dixon, Tara Killcummin, Tandy Haughey, an Dr Gavin Breslin, Ollscoil Uladh, léachtóir GMIT Stephen Hannon, Darryl McCullough, Ollscoil Uladh, agus Michael Gill, Ceann na Roinne Gnó, Daonnachtaí & Teicneolaíochta, GMIT.*

### Reáchtáinn neacha léinn idirbhliana Taispeántas Oidhreachta in GMIT

Bhí na Dubhchrónaigh in Ard Rathain agus ómós do na Seansaighdiúirí sa Chogadh Mór mar dhá cheann de na topaicí ar taispeáint i gcampas GMIT Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath le linn mhí an Mhárta. Thug GMIT cuireadh do Dhúchas na Gaillimhe – Galway Civic Trust a thaispeántas bliantúil 'Oidhreacht na Gaillimhe a Ghabháil' le neacha léinn idirbhliana a reáchtáil ar an gcampas. Spreagann an t-imeacht, atá anois sa seachtú bliain, neacha léinn meánscoile na Gaillimhe chun iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar stair agus oidhreacht a gceantar fein tríd an bhfóram poiblí seo atá bunaithe ar an iomaíocht.

*Sa phictiúr (ar dheis) agus dealbhóireacht bhuan an Túr Faire Iscaireachta á coinneáil tá neacha léinn as Coláiste Seamount, Cinn Mhara, agus an múinteoir an tUas. Kennealy, buaiteoirí Dúchas na Gaillimhe 2015. Bhí mar theideal ar thionscadal na neach léinn 'Loughnane Memorial Hall and the Black and Tans in Ardrahan'.*



*Pictured above, L to R: GMIT Outdoor Education students Hanna Breslin, Dara Mughal, Paul Dixon, Tara Killcummin, Tandy Haughey, Dr Gavin Breslin, University of Ulster, GMIT lecturer Stephen Hannon, Darryl McCullough, University of Ulster, and Michael Gill, Head of Dep of Business, Humanities & Technology, GMIT.*

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### TY students hold Heritage Exhibition in GMIT

The Black and Tans in Ardrahan and a tribute to Galway Veterans in the Great War were two of many fascinating topics on exhibition in GMIT's Dublin Road campus during March. DúchasnaGaillimhe – Galway Civic Trust were invited by GMIT to hold its annual exhibition 'Capturing Galway's Heritage' by transition year students on campus. The event, which is now in its seventh year, encourages Galway's secondary school Transition Year (TY) students to explore the history and heritage of their own localities through this competition-based public forum.



*Pictured (right) holding the Fishery Watchtower perpetual sculpture are students from Seamount College, Kinvara and teacher Mr Kenneally, winners of the DúchasnaGaillimhe – Galway Civic Trust 2015. The students' project was entitled the 'Loughnane Quinn Memorial Hall and the Black and Tans in Ardrahan'.*

## Cláir Faisnéise a bhaineann leis an gclár Staidéar Sóisialta le feiceáil ar scáileán i bpictiúrlann i Maigh Eo

Taispeánadh sraith clár faisnéise ar an scáileán i Movieworld Mhaigh Eo i gCaisleán an Bharraigh i gcomhar le clár Staidéar Sóisialta Feidhmeach GMIT Mhaigh Eo agus leis an léachtóir agus déantóir Ollainneach Willem Blok. Is iad na trí chlár faisnéise: ‘Mayo Music Man’ John Hoban – staidéar spéisiúil ar obair agus chur chuige an cheoltóra aithnidíúil áitiúil, Music in Social Care – ar cur i láthair inspioráideach é ar obair cheoil John Hoban agus Isabela Basombrio le húsáideoirí seirbhísé i gCúram an Iarthair, agus Jack’s Old Cottage – eiseamláir Éireannach d’fhorbairt pobail ar scála beag in Oilean Éadaí i gCo. Mhaigh Eo.

‘Is tuairisc luachmhar agus dúiseacht cuimhní ar chleachtas pobail áitiúil iad na scannán trí leas a bhaint as an oidhreacht agus an ceol,’ a deir an Dr Mark Garavan, léachtóir ar an gclár GMIT. ‘Cuirtear a bpeirspictíocht uathuil ar fáil trína bheith scannánaithe trí shúile an acadúlaigh agus déantóir scannán Ollainnigh Willem Blok. Bhí áthas orainn a bheith in ann na scannán seo a thaispeáint dár gcuid neach léinn, d’oirbithe cúramh shóisialta, d’úsáideoirí seirbhísé agus do bhaill den phobal áitiúil. Aibhsíonn siad na bealaí leathana agus spreagúla inar féidir obair chúramh agus forbairt dhaonna a dhéanamh le meas agus le dínt. Rinneadh na scannán nuair a bhí an tUas. Blok ina aoiléachtóir ar an gclár Cúramh Shóisialta dár gcuid in 2013.’

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## Conair phoiblí nua choille ar oscailt ag Campas Mhaigh Eo

Oscláodh conair nua coille (sa phictiúr) ar imeall champas GMIT Mhaigh Eo don phobal mór i Samhain. An lá céanna d’ardaigh an campas an Brat Glas nua a fuair siad as Bithéagsúlacht. Agus teacht uirthi ó imeall na páirce spóirt ar an gcampas, ba é Aodán Connelly, Oifigeach Glas Campais de chuid Aontas na Neach Léinn GMIT agus neach léinn Máistir (Staidéar Oidhreachta) a threoraigh an tionscadal i gcomhar leis an scéim áitiúil Tús a bhí faoi mhaoirseacht Tom Carolan.

Chuir Aodán plean na conaire i dtoll a chéile den chéad uair in Aibreán na bliana anuraidh (2014) agus thosaigh ag obair air leis an bhfoireann le linn an tsamhraidh. Mar a dúirt sé: ‘Tar éis an chuid ba mhó de dhá mhí a chaithreamh i mbun an chonair choille a thógáil, anois ó tá sí curtha i gcrích braithim go bhfuil móréacht déanta agam. Ní fhéadfá é sin a dhéanamh gan chabhair agus tacáiocht an Dr Deirdre Garvey, Ceann GMIT Mhaigh Eo, Lynda Huxley, Cathaoirleach Champas Glas GMIT, David Lee, Ceann Foirgneamh agus Eastát GMIT, agus na hoibrithe ó Chuideachta Forbartha Mhaigh Eo Thiar Theas.’



## Documentaries involving Social Studies programme screened in Mayo cinema

A series of innovative documentaries were screened in Mayo Movieworld, Castlebar, in collaboration with GMIT Mayo’s Applied Social studies programme and Dutch lecturer and filmmaker Willem Blok. The three documentaries are: ‘Mayo Music Man’ John Hoban – a fascinating study of the work and approach of the well-known local musician, Music in Social Care – an inspiring presentation of John Hoban and Isabela Basombrio Hoban’s music work with service users in Western Care, and Jack’s Old Cottage – an Irish example of small scale community development in Islandeady, Co Mayo.

“The films serve as an invaluable record and evocation of local community practice through the use of heritage and music,” says Dr Mark Garavan, lecturer on the GMIT programme. “Their unique perspective is provided by being filmed through the eyes of Dutch academic and film-maker Willem Blok. We were delighted to be able to showcase these films to our students, social care workers, service users and members of the local community. They highlight the wide and inspiring ways in which care work and human development can be done with respect and dignity. The films were made while Mr Blok was guest lecturing on our Social Care programme in 2013.”

## New public woodland trail opened at Mayo campus

A new woodland trail (pictured) on the edge of the GMIT Mayo campus was opened to the general public in November, the same day the campus formally raised its new Green Flag for Biodiversity. Accessed from the edge of the sports pitch on campus, the project was led by GMIT Students’ Union Green Campus Officer and Master’s student (Heritage Studies) Aodan Connelly in collaboration with the local Tús Scheme under the supervision of Tom Carolan.

Aodan first put the trail plan together in April last year (2014) and started working on it with the team during the summer. “After spending the best part of two months building the woodland trail, now that it has been completed it gives me an immeasurable sense of achievement. It could not have been done without the assistance and support of Dr Deirdre Garvey Head of GMIT Mayo, Lynda Huxley GMIT Green campus Chair, David Lee, GMIT Head of buildings and Estates, and Eddie Ball and the workers from South West Mayo Development Company.”

## Gníomhaíochtaí Réigiúnacha, Seirbhís Pobail & Éachtaí Alumni

Rinne Scoil Eolaíochta GMIT agus an Oifig Teagmhála Scoile an SciFest is mó riamh a óstú i mBealtaine nuair a bhí 100 tionscadal agus 19 scoil ón réigiún in iomaiocht do na duaiseanna réigiúnacha. Bhí SciFest á threorú ag an Dr Carina Ginty agus an Dr Des Foley.

D'ostaithe GMIT agus NUI Gaillimh an chéad imeacht TeenTech in Éirinn in Aibreán in Halla Bailey Allen. Thaispeáin GMIT sé réimse dúshláin don fhoghlaím ghníomhach ar a n-áirítear: mionsamhlacha a thógál agus a dhéanamh; eoláocht fhóiréinseach; cruthanna agus fuaiméanna deilfe; forbairt bogearraí. Bhí TeenTech GMIT á threorú ag an Dr Carina Ginty agus an Dr Des Foley.

Tá Scoláireacht Dearaidh nua in ionad ag GMIT dar luach €5,000 atá ar oscailt do gach meánscoil i Maigh Eo ar mian leo tabhairt faoi chlár in GMIT. Beidh an clár seo ar siúl ar feadh 5 bliana (dar luach €25,000).

## Imeacht Taispeántais Cásca de chuid GMIT le haghaidh Treoirchomhairleoirí

Ar 1 Aibreán bhí breis is 40 Treoirchomhairleoir as 6 chontae i láthair ag imeacht líonraithe agus nuálaiochta ar an gcampas a d'eagraigh an Dr Carina Ginty, an tOifigeach Teagmhála Scoile. Rinne Ceanna Scoile/Campais láithreoireachtaí ar nuashonruithe cláir agus eispéárais foghlama neacha léinn. Ina dhiaidh sin bhí ceardlann scileanna 'Aireachais' ar siúl agus í á héascú ag Ann Caulfield, léachtóir i Staidéar Sóisialta (Campas Mhaigh Eo). Chuimsigh imeacht na maidine seisíún trí pháirt ar a n-áirítear taighde agus nuálaiocht ar champais GMIT. San áireamh ansin bhí taispeántas spéisítíil Aipeanna Bogearraí le Damien Costello (léachtóir le ríomhaireacht), turas sa Lárionad Taighde Mara agus Fionnuisce leis an Dr Rick Officer (léachtóir sinsearach in Eolaíocht) agus turas GMedTech leis an Dr Patrick Delassus (Ceann na Roinne Innealtóireachta Meicniúla). Mar chríoch leis an imeacht bhí biachlár sé chúrsa blaiste sa Choláisté Turasóireachta agus Ealaíon. Mhol na múinteoirí a bhí i láthair an t-imeacht go hard. Ba é sin an chéad chuairt fhoirmiúil a thug a lán diobh ar GMIT agus d'imir sé tionchar dearfach ar a gcuid braistintí ar an Institiúid.

## Tionscadal Foghlama Ar Líne CanSat GMIT

Ta sraith cúrsáid foghlama ar líne forbartha ag an Oifig Teagmhála Scoile (an Dr Carina Ginty) agus Scoil na hInnealtóireachta (Emer Cahill) do scoileanna dara leibhéal in Éirinn d'fhonn tacú le forbairt na heolaíochta, na teicneolaíochta, na hinnealtóireachta, na matamaitice agus na bainistíochta tionscadail ag an dara leibhéal. Fuair an Dr Carina Ginty tacaíocht ó Phondúireacht

## Regional Activities, Community Service & Alumni Achievements

GMIT School of Science and the Schools Liaison Office hosted its largest SciFest 2015 in May with over 100 projects and 19 schools from the region competing for regional awards. Scifest was led by D Carina Ginty and Dr Des Foley.

GMIT and NUI Galway hosted the first TeenTech event in Ireland in April in the Bailey Allen Hall. GMIT exhibited in six active learning challenge areas including; building and making models; forensic science; dolphin shapes and sounds; software development. GMIT TeenTech was led by Dr Carina Ginty and Dr Des Foley.

GMIT have a new Design Scholarship in place worth 5,000 euro that is open to all secondary schools in Mayo wishing to pursue a programme in GMIT. This programme will run for 5 years (value 25,000 euro).

## GMIT Easter Showcase Event for Guidance Counsellors

On April 1st over 40 Guidance Counsellors spanning 6 counties attended a GMIT networking and innovation event on campus organised by Dr. Carina Ginty the Schools Liaison Office. Heads of School/Campus delivered presentations on programme updates and student learning experiences. This was followed by a 'Mindfulness' skills workshop, which was facilitated by Ann Caulfield, a lecturer in Social Studies (Mayo Campus). The morning event also covered a three part session including research and innovation on GMIT Campuses. This included an interesting Software Apps demonstration with Damien Costello (lecturer, computing), a tour of the Marine and Freshwater Research Centre with Dr. Rick Officer (senior lecturer, Science) and a GMEDTech tour with Dr. Patrick Delassus (head of Dept. mechanical engineering). The event closed with a six course tasting menu in the College of Tourism and Arts. The event was highly commended by teachers that attended. For many this was their first formal visit to GMIT and it had a positive impact on their perceptions of the institute.

## GMIT CanSat Schools Online Learning Project

The Schools Liaison Office (Dr Carina Ginty) and the School of Engineering (Emer Cahill) have developed a suite of online learning courses for second level schools in Ireland to support the development of science, technology, engineering, maths and project management at second level. Dr Carina Ginty achieved from Science Foundation Ireland

Eolaíochta Éireann chun tacú leis an tionscadal. Tá na cúrsaí ar fáil ar líne trí na páirtnéirí FEÉ agus Áisínteacht Spáis na hEorpa agus féadfar teacht orthu ar líne ar Chainnéis GMIT ([www.youtube.com/gmitchannel](http://www.youtube.com/gmitchannel)).

### **Seirbhís Cainteanna Ar Líne de chuid GMIT do Mheánscoileanna**

Tá fás rialta ag teacht ar an tseirbhís cainteanna ar líne de chuid GMIT agus níos mó scoileanna ag baint leas aisti ar fud na tíre agus ag glacadh leis an teicneolaíocht. Cuimsithe sna cainteanna ar líne bhí scoileanna i nDún na nGall, Luimneach, an Mhí, Baile Átha Luain, Cill Mhantáin, an Cabhán agus Liatroim. Tá an tionscnamh foghlama ar líne seo á threorú ag an Dr Carina Ginty [carina.ginty@gmit.ie](mailto:carina.ginty@gmit.ie).

to support the project. The courses are now available through SFI and the European Space Agency partners and it can be accessed online at the GMIT Channel ([www.youtube.com/gmitchannel](http://www.youtube.com/gmitchannel))

### **GMIT Online Talks Service to Secondary Schools**

The GMIT online talks service with the Schools Liaison Office has been increasing at a steady pace with more schools coming on board across the country embracing the technology. Online talks included schools in Donegal, Limerick, Meath, Athlone, Wicklow, Cavan and Leitrim. This online learning initiative is led by Dr. Carina Ginty [carina.ginty@gmit.ie](mailto:carina.ginty@gmit.ie).

# Staitisticí Céimithe 4

## Dámhachtainí Acadúla 2015 4.1

### Dámhachtainí 2015 De Réir Scoile/Campus

#### AG 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 8  
 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  
 Iarchéime Dioplóma i gCórais Chomhshaoil  
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i gCórais Ríomhaire agus Leictreónacha  
 Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht i gCórais Ríomhaire agus  
 Leictreónacha  
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Ríomhaire agus  
 Leictreónach  
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht  
 Ríomhaire agus Leictreónach  
 Ardteastas in Innealtóireacht in Innealtóireacht Seirbhísí  
 Leictreacha agus Uathoibrithé  
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Seirbhísí  
 Leictreacha agus Uathoibrithé  
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht  
 Thionscláioch  
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Mheicniuil  
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht  
 Mheicniúil  
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta in Innealtóireacht Fuinnimh  
 Baitsiléir Innealtóireachta (Onóracha) in Innealtóireacht  
 Fuinnimh  
 Céim Dochtúir Fealsúnachta

# Graduate Statistics 4

## Academic Awards 2015 4.1

### Awards 2015 by School/College/Campus

#### AT GALWAY

#### *School of Engineering*

13	Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering
4	Higher Certificate in Engineering in Civil Engineering
13	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Civil Engineering
12	Bachelor of Science in Architectural Technology
1	Higher Certificate in Science in Architectural Technology
16	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Architectural Technology
14	Bachelor of Science in Construction Economics and Quantity Surveying
8	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Construction Economics and Quantity Surveying
10	Bachelor of Science in Construction Management
2	Higher Certificate in Science in Construction Management
14	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Construction Management
4	Master of Science in Environmental Systems
1	Postgraduate Diploma in Environmental Systems
1	Higher Certificate in Science in Computer and Electronic Systems
10	Bachelor of Science in Computer and Energy Systems
4	Higher Certificate in Engineering in Computer and Electronic Engineering
33	Bachelor of Engineering in Computer and Electronic Engineering
19	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Computer and Electronic Engineering
2	Higher Certificate in Engineering in Electrical Services and Automation Engineering
10	Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical Services and Automation Engineering
1	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Industrial Engineering
24	Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering
34	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Mechanical Engineering
28	Bachelor of Engineering in Energy Engineering
29	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Energy Engineering
2	Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

**AG GAILLIMH**

*An Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaón - Lárionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha agus na Meáin; Roinn Oidhreachta agus Turasóireachta; Roinn Daonnachtaí; Teangacha Feidhmeacha agus Cumarsáid Baitsiléir Ealaón i Staidéar Oidhreachta Ardteastas in Ealaíona i Staidéar Oidhreachta Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i Staidéar Oidhreachta Ardteastas i nGní i dTurasóireacht Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Turasóireachta Ardteastas i nGní i mBainistíocht Turasóireachta (ag Ollscoil Nanchang) Baitsiléir Ealaón i Scannán agus Teilifís 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 Mínealaín – Foghlaim Sholúbtha Baitsiléir Ealaón (Onóracha) i nDearadh i dTeicstílí Ard-Diplóma in Ealaín i nGaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán Máistreacht i nGaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán*

**AT 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*

20	Bachelor of Arts in Heritage Studies
1	Higher Certificate in Arts in Heritage Studies
25	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Heritage Studies
9	Higher Certificate in Business in Tourism
24	Bachelor of Business in Tourism Management
27	Higher Certificate in Business in Tourism Management (at Nanchang University)
3	Bachelor of Arts in Film and Television
29	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Film & Documentary
54	Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design
14	Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design – Flexible Learning
41	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Fine Art
5	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Fine Art – Flexible Learning
11	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Design in Textiles
8	ArdDiplóma san Ealaíon in Gaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán
2	Máistreachta in Gaeilge Fheidhmeach agus Aistriúchán

**AG GAILLIMH**

*Coláiste Turasóireachta agus Ealaíona – Roinn na nEalaíon Cócaireachta, Roinn na dTionscal Seirbhíse*

Baitsiléir Gnó i mBainistíocht Óstáin agus Lónadóireachta  
 Ardteastas i mBainistíocht Óstáin agus Lónadóireachta  
 Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Óstáin agus Lónadóireachta 37  
 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  
 Ardteastas in Ealaíona in Ealaíona Cócaireachta  
 Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Ealaíona Cócaireachta – Foghlaim Sholúbtha  
 Baitsiléir Gnó i Miondólachán agus Bainistíocht Seirbhíse Custaiméara  
 Baitsileir Gnó i mBainistíocht Imeachta (le Caidreamh Poiblí)  
 Ardteastas in Ealaíona i Staidéar Fáilteachais  
 Ardteastas in Ealaíona i Maoirseacht Beáir

**Dámhachtainí FETAC**

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

**AT GALWAY**

*College of Tourism and Arts – Department of Culinary Arts, Department of The Service Industries*

36	Bachelor of Business in Hotel and Catering Management
2	Higher Certificate in Hotel and Catering Management
37	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Hotel and Catering Management
1	Bachelor of Business in Bar Management
4	Bachelor of Business in Bar and Restaurant Management
26	Bachelor of Business in Culinary Arts Management
14	Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Culinary Arts Management
34	Higher Certificate in Arts in Culinary Arts
11	Bachelor of Arts in Culinary Arts – Flexible Learning
10	Bachelor of Business in Retail and Customer Service Management
30	Bachelor of Business in Event Management (with Public Relations)
12	Higher Certificate in Arts in Hospitality Studies
3	Higher Certificate in Arts in Bar Supervision

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**FETAC Awards**

7	Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Professional Cookery (Traineeship in Professional Cookery)
15	Level 6 Advanced Certificate in Professional Cookery (Total Immersion Chef Programme – TICP)

**AG GAILLIMH**

**Scoil na hEolaíochta**

- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht Ghnó agus Meáin Dhigiteacha
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i dTeicneolaíocht Faisnéise do Ghnó
- Ardteastas in Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht Ghnó agus Meáin Dhigiteacha
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht i bhForbairt Bogearraí
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhForbairt Bogearraí
- Ard-Diplóma in Eolaíochta i bhForbairt Bogearraí
- Ardteastas in Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht i bhForbairt Bogearraí
- Ardteastas in Eolaíochta i Ríomhaireacht i bhForbairt Bogearraí (ag Ollscoil Nanchang)
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Fionnuisce agus Mara
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach Fionnuisce agus Mara
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíochta Bhithchógaíscíocha
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíochta Bhithchógaíscíocha
- Ardteastas in Eolaíochta i mBitheolaíocht Fheidhmeach agus Eolaíochta Bhithchógaíscíocha
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta in Eolaíocht Cheimiceach agus Chógaíscíocha
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eolaíocht Cheimiceach agus Chógaíscíocha
- Ardteastas in Eolaíochta in Eolaíocht Cheimiceach agus Chógaíscíocha
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i bhFisic agus Ionstraimíocht
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhFisic agus Ionstraimíocht
- Ardteastas in Eolaíochta i bhFisic agus Ionstraimíocht
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eolaíocht Fhóiréinseach agus Anailís
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Eolaíocht Leighis
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i dTalmhaíocht agus Bainistíocht Chomhshaoil
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i bhFiontar Tuaithe agus Bainistíocht Chomhshaoil
- Ardteastas in Eolaíochta i dTalmhaíocht agus Bainistíocht Chomhshaoil
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i gCáilíocht do Thionsclaíochta
- Céim Dochtúir Eolaíochta

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**AT GALWAY**

**School of Science**

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|----|---|
| 18 | Bachelor of Science in Business Computing and Digital Media                                 |
| 25 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Information Technology for Business                        |
| 1  | Higher Certificate in Science in Business Computing and Digital Media                       |
| 41 | Bachelor of Science in Computing in Software Development                                    |
| 25 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Software Development                                       |
| 19 | Higher Diploma in Science in Software Development   |
| 1  | Higher Certificate in Science in Computing in Software Development                          |
| 20 | Higher Certificate in Science in Computing in Software Development (at Nanchang University) |
| 6  | Bachelor of Science in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology                                |
| 22 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Freshwater and Marine Biology                      |
| 17 | Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science                        |
| 28 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science              |
| 2  | Higher Certificate in Science in Applied Biology and Biopharmaceutical Science              |
| 8  | Bachelor of Science in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Science                                  |
| 11 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Science                        |
| 2  | Higher Certificate in Science in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Science                        |
| 13 | Bachelor of Science in Physics and Instrumentation  |
| 10 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Physics and Instrumentation                                |
| 3  | Higher Certificate in Science in Physics and Instrumentation                                |
| 9  | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Forensic Science and Analysis *                            |
| 19 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Medical Science  |
| 23 | Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and Environmental Management                             |
| 19 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Rural Enterprise and Environmental Management              |
| 2  | Higher Certificate in Science in Agriculture and Environmental Management                   |
| 5  | Bachelor of Science in Quality for Industry   |
| 6  | Degree of Doctor of Philosophy  |

**AG GAILLIMH***An Scoil Ghnó*

- Baitsiléir Gnó
- Ardteastas i nGnó
- Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha)
- Baitsiléir Ealaíon i nGnó agus Cumarsaid
- Baitsiléir Gnó i bhFiontar Tuaithe agus Agra-ghnó
- Baitsiléir Gnó i Riarachn agus Córais Faisnéise
- Ardteastas i nGnó i Riarachán agus Córais Faisnéise
- Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i mBainistíocht Chóras Faisnéise
- Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha) i gCuntasáiocht
- Baitsiléir Ealaíon i mBainistíocht Acmhainní Daonna – Foghlaim Sho-lúbha
- Dioplóma Iarchéime i gCuntasáiocht
- ACCA Leibhéal Gairmiúil

**AT GALWAY***School of Business*

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| 93  | Bachelor of Business   |
| 3   | Higher Certificate in Business   |
| 129 | Bachelor of Business (Honours)   |
| 2   | Baitsiléir Ealaíon in Gnó agus Cumarsáid                                 |
| 37  | Bachelor of Business in Rural Enterprise and Agri-Business               |
| 14  | Bachelor of Business in Administration and Information Systems           |
| 1   | Higher Certificate in Business in Administration and Information Systems |
| 24  | Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Information Systems Management             |
| 39  | Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Accounting                             |
| 13  | Bachelor of Arts in Human Resource Management – Flexible Learning        |
| 22  | Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting                                       |
| 4   | ACCA Professional Level  |
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**Gaillimh: Dámhachtainí Iomlána****AG LEITIR FRAIC**

- 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
- Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Oideachas Dearaidh agus Teicneolaíochta

**1560 Galway: Total Awards**

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**AT LETTERFRACK**

- |    |   |
|----|---|
| 22 | Bachelor of Science in Furniture Design and Manufacture               |
| 18 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Furniture Design and Manufacture     |
| 3  | Higher Certificate in Engineering in Furniture Design and Manufacture |
| 17 | Bachelor of Science in Furniture and Wood Technology                  |
| 9  | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Furniture and Wood Technology        |
| 14 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Design and Technology Education      |
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**Leitir Fraic: Dámhachtainí Iomlána****83 Letterfrack: Total Awards**

**AG MAIGH EO**

Ardteastas i nGnó i bhFeidhmchláir Ríomhaire  
 Ardteastas i nGnó  
 Baitsiléir Gnó  
 Baitsiléir Ealaíon i gCuntasáiocht agus Bainistíocht Airgeadais  
 Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha)  
 Baitsiléir Gnó (Onóracha) i gCuntasáiocht  
 Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i dTacaíocht Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise  
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i Riarachán Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise  
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i mBainistiú Seirbhísí Ríomhaire  
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta in Athchóiriú agus Cothabhála  
 Ardteastas in Eolaíocht i mBainistíocht Foirgníochta in Athchóiriú agus Cothabhála  
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) i dTeicneolaíocht Foirgníochta Inbhuanaithe  
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Altranás Síciatrach  
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Altranás Ginearálta  
 Baitsiléir Eolaíochta (Onóracha) in Altranás  
 Baitsiléir Ealaíon i Staidéar Feidhmeach Sóisialta  
 Baitsiléir Ealaíon (Onóracha) i Staidéar 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  
 Baitsiléir Ealaíon i mBainistíocht Acmhainní Daonna – Foghlaim Sholúbtha  
**Maigh Eo: Dámhachtainí Iomlána**

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**AT MAYO**

7	Higher Certificate in Business in Computer Applications
1	Higher Certificate in Business
23	Bachelor of Business
22	Bachelor of Arts in Accounting and Financial Management
9	Bachelor of Business (Honours)
8	Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Accounting
19	Higher Certificate in Science in Information Technology Support
12	Bachelor of Science in Information Technology Administration
8	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Computer Services Management
7	Bachelor of Science in Construction Management in Refurbishment and Maintenance
1	Higher Certificate in Science in Construction Management in Refurbishment and Maintenance
5	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Sustainable Building Technology
13	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Psychiatric Nursing
27	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in General Nursing
7	Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Nursing
31	Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies
37	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Studies
8	Bachelor of Arts in Heritage Studies
16	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Heritage Studies
6	Bachelor of Arts in Outdoor Education and Leisure with Geography
19	Bachelor of Arts in Outdoor Education and Leisure
14	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Outdoor Education
9	Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design – Flexible Learning
7	Bachelor of Arts in Human Resource Management – Flexible Learning
<b>316</b>	<b>Mayo: Total Awards</b>

**IOMLÁN NA nIOMLÁN**

**1959      OVERALL TOTAL**

Bronnann GMIT Comhaltaí Oinigh ar thriúr sárdhaoine le linn searmanas Bronnta Céimeanna 2015

**Donagh O'Donoghue**

Ball iomráiteach de phobal gnó na Gaillimhe ar feadh na mblianta fada – tugadh urraim dó as an gcion suntasach a thug sé don oideachas, gnó agus forbairt réigiúnach.

**Matt Molloy**

Ceoltóir atá molta go hidirnáisiúnta de chuid The Chieftains – tugadh urraim dó as an gcion suntasach atá tugtha aige do cheol agus cultúr na hÉireann.

**Michael O'Neill**

Stiúrthóir Bunaitheora Chonamara Thiar – tugadh urraim dó as a thiomantas d'fheabhsú a phobail agus réigiún Chonamara Thiar Thuaidh trína bhainteacht le hoideachas agus cur chun cinn cultúir agus spóirt.

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.

## Staitisticí Clárúcháin 4.2

### Clárúchán Neacha Léinn 2014-2015

Lánaílseartha Tríú Leibhéal	<b>86%</b>
Dara Leibhéal Ceirde	<b>1%</b>
Printísgigh Innealtóireachta	<b>2%</b>
Páirtaimseartha agus Tráthnóna	<b>11%</b>



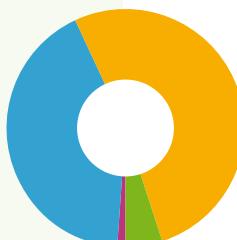
## Enrolment Statistics 4.2

### Student Enrolment 2014-2015

Full-time Third Level	<b>86%</b>
Second Level Craft	<b>1%</b>
Engineering Apprentices	<b>2%</b>
Part-time and Evening	<b>11%</b>

### Clárúchán 3ú Leibhéal Lánaílseartha de Réir Leibhéal Dámhachtaine Céatadáin 2014-2015

Ardteastas	<b>5%</b>
Gnáthchéim	<b>52%</b>
Céim Onóracha	<b>42%</b>
Iarchéimithe	<b>1%</b>



### Full-time 3rd Level Enrolments by Level of Award 2014-2015

Higher Certificates	<b>5%</b>
Ordinary Degree	<b>52%</b>
Honours Degree	<b>42%</b>
Postgraduates	<b>1%</b>

### Bunús Baile Lánaílseartha 3ú Leibhéal

Connachta	<b>71%</b>
Laighin	<b>14%</b>
Mumhain	<b>10%</b>
Ulaidh	<b>5%</b>

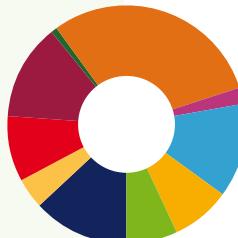


### Domiciliary Origin Full-time 3rd Level

Connacht	<b>71%</b>
Leinster	<b>14%</b>
Munster	<b>10%</b>
Ulster	<b>5%</b>

### Clárúcháin 3ú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha Fireann

Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht, Iascach agus Tréidliacht	7%
Ealaíona agus Daonnachtaí	8%
Gnó, Riarachán agus Dlí	13%
Oideachas	2%
Innealtóireacht, Déantúsaíocht agus Foirgniocht	30%
Sláinte agus Leas	1%
Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide	13%
Eolaíocht Nádúrtha, Matamaític agus Staitisticí	9%
Eolaíocht Shóisialta, Iriseoireacht agus Faisnéis	4%
Seirbhísí	13%

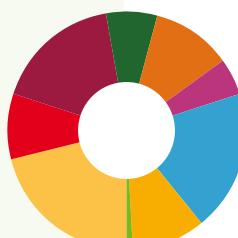


### Full-time Enrolments Third Level Male

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	4%
Services	13%

### Clárúcháin 3ú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha Baineann

Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht, Iascach agus Tréidliacht	1%
Ealaíona agus Daonnachtaí	10%
Gnó, Riarachán agus Dlí	19%
Innealtóireacht, Déantúsaíocht agus Foirgniocht	5%
Sláinte agus Leas	11%
Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide	7%
Eolaíocht Nádúrtha, Matamaític agus Staitisticí	17%
Eolaíocht Shóisialta, Iriseoireacht agus Faisnéis	9%
Seirbhísí	21%

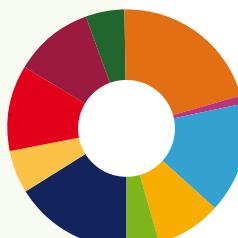


### Full-time Enrolments Third Level Female

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	9%
Services	21%

### Clárúcháin 3ú Leibhéal Lánaimseartha de Réir Disciplín

Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht, Iascach agus Tréidliacht	4.6%
Ealaíona agus Daonnachtaí	8.8%
Gnó, Riarachán agus Dlí	15.2%
Oideachas	1.1%
Innealtóireacht, Déantúsaíocht agus Foirgniocht	20.7%
Sláinte agus Leas	5.2%
Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide	10.8%
Eolaíocht Nádúrtha, Matamaític agus Staitisticí	11.8%
Eolaíocht Shóisialta, Iriseoireacht agus Faisnéis	5.9%
Seirbhísí	15.9%

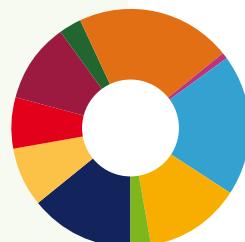


### Full-time Third Level Enrolments by Discipline

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	5.9%
Services	15.9%

### Céimithe Tríú Leibhéal de Réir Disciplín

Talmhaíocht, Foraoiseacht, Iascach agus Tréidliacht	3%
Ealaíona agus Daonnachaí	13%
Gnó, Riarachán agus Dlí	19%
Oideachas	1%
Innealtóireacht, Déantúsaíocht agus Foirmíocht	21%
Sláinte agus Leas	3%
Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise agus Cumarsáide	11%
Eolaíocht Nádúrtha, Matamaític agus Staitisticí	7%
Eolaiocht Shóisialta, Iriseoireacht agus Faisnéisí	8%
Seirbhísí	14%

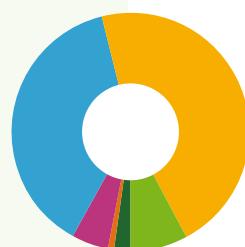


### Third Level Graduates by Discipline

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 Science, mathematics and statistics	7%
Social Science, Journalism and Information	8%
Services	14%

### Céimithe Trí Leibhéal de Réir Dámhachtana

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%

### Clárúcháin Dara Leibhéal Ceardaíochta de Réir Cúrsa

Ardteastas i gCócaireacht Ghairmiúil – Cúrsa Oiliúna	66%
Ardteastas 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 Dara Leibhéal  
Lánaimseartha de Réir Inscne

Fireann 70%  
Baineann 30%

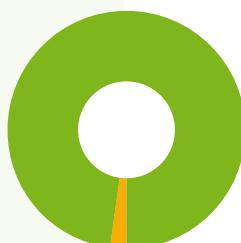


Wholetime Second Level Craft  
Enrolments by Gender

Male 70%  
Female 30%

Clarúcháin i gCeirdeanna  
Innealtóireachta de Réir Inscne

Fireann 98%  
Baineann 2%



Enrolments in Engineering Trades  
by Gender

Male 98%  
Female 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
Abigal 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
Abigal 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

### *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

# Pearsanra na hInstitiúide 5

## Staitisticí Foirne 5.1

### *Pearsanra na hInstitiúide mar a bhí ar 31 Lúnasa 2014*

Lánaimseartha	482
Páirtaimseartha	198.16
<b>Iomlán</b>	<b>680.16</b>

#### *Catagóirí*

Acadúil	355.94
Riarachán	173.17
Tacaíocht	139.05
Taighde	12
<b>Iomlán</b>	<b>680.16</b>

#### *Inscne*

Fireann	291.56
Baineann	388.60
<b>Iomlán</b>	<b>680.16</b>

#### *Catagóirí Miondealú ar Phearsanra 31 Lúnasa 2015*

	<i>Fireann</i>	<i>Baineann</i>
<b>Acadúil</b>		
Buan Lánaimseartha	109	73
Conradh Tréimhse Éiginnte	66	67
Pro rata	9	15
Téarma seasta	4	6
Páirtaimseartha	3.84	3.1
<b>Riarachán</b>		
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 pártaimseartha	2.97	33.2
Ceaintín pártaimseartha	1.54	15.34
Ceaintín bla	1	1
Ceaintín téarma seasta	0	1
Ceaintín sté	0	1
Taighde cté	3	1
Taighde téarma seasta	6	2
	<b>291.56</b>	<b>388.6</b>
<b>Iomlán</b>		<b>680.16</b>

# Institute Personnel 5

## Staff Statistics 5.1

### *Institute Personnel as at 31 August 2014*

Full-Time	482
Part-Time	198.16
<b>Total</b>	<b>680.16</b>

#### *Categories*

Academic	355.94
Admin	173.17
Support	139.05
Research	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>680.16</b>

#### *Gender*

Male	291.56
Female	388.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>680.16</b>

#### *Categories Breakdown 31 Aug 2015*

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
<b>Academic</b>		
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
<b>Administration</b>		
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
	<b>291.56</b>	<b>388.6</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>680.16</b>

<i>Stádas – Lánaimseartha</i>	<i>Lánaimseartha</i>	<i>Status – Full/Time</i>	<i>Full Time</i>
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
<b>Iomlán Lanaimseartha</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>Total full time</b>	<b>482</b>

<i>Stádas – Páirtaimseartha/Sealadach</i>	<i>Páirtaimseartha/Sealadach</i>	<i>Status – Part-Time/Temporary</i>	<i>Part-Time/Temporary</i>
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	49	Admin fixed purpose/term	49
Leabharlann páirtaim.	0.7	Admin part time	0.7
Leabh. téarma seasta/saint. 10	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
<b>Iomlan páirtaimseartha</b>	<b>198.16</b>	<b>Total part time</b>	<b>198.16</b>
<b>Iomlán</b>	<b>680.16</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>680.16</b>

# Tuarascáil Airgeadais 6

# Financial Report 6

## **Ioncam agus Caiteachas**

Ba é an t-ioncam iomlán in 2014 ná €53.1M agus seasann sé sin do laghdú de €3.1M ó 2013. Ba é ba mhó ba chúis leis an laghdú sin ná laghdú de €1.8M ar Dheontais Stáit; laghdú de €0.6M ar tháillí neacha léinn i ngeall ar laghdú ar líon na neach léinn agus laghdú de €0.4M ar ioncam Taighde.

Rinneadh laghdú de €0.2M ar ioncam ó ús i ngeall ar iarmhéideanna ar thaiscí agus rátaí úis níos ísle a fhritháireamh trí mhéadú ar dhíolachán Ábhar Ranga agus ioncam a shanntar do thionscnaimh Springboard & Scileanna ICT.

Meaitseállan an amúchadh ar Dheontais Chaipitil Iarchurtha an muirear Dímheasa don bhliain (Gan Cuideachta Lónadóireachta GMIT san áireamh).

Ba é an caiteachas iomlán in 2014 ná €55.8M agus seasann sé sin do laghdú de €1.8M ó 2013. Ba é ba chúis leis sin ná laghdú ar chostais neamh-phá de €0.9M agus laghdú ar chostais phá de €0.6M. Bhí breis ag caiteachas thar ioncam de €2.7M roimh cúlchistí forbartha caipitil de €0.2M a aistriú, a raibh mar thoradh air easnamh don bhliain de €2.5M. Tháinig laghdú ar an mbarraochas carntha mar a bhí ar 31 Lúnasa 2014 go €1.6M.

## **Clár Comhardaithe**

Bhí caiteachas ar Shócmhainní Seasta de €0.7M, ar maoiníodh €0.21M de le deontais chaipitil, agus an fuilleach as an Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit, Cúlchiste Forbartha Caipitil agus foinsí eile maoinithe. Tar éis dímheas de €2.9M a chur san áireamh, tháinig laghdú de €2.2M go €66.3M ar ghlanluach sócmhainní seasta de réir an leabhair. Cuireadh laghdú dá réir ar an gcuntas caipitil go €66.3M.

Coinnítear an Cuntas Forbartha Caipitil chun forbairt saoráidí neacha léinn a mhaoiniú agus ba é an t-iarmhéid ar 14 Lúnasa ná €8.7M, laghdú de €0.3M don bhliain.

## **Income and Expenditure**

Total income in 2014 amounted to €53.1M which represents a reduction of €3.1M from 2013. This was primarily driven by a reduction in State Grants of €1.8M; a €0.6M decrease in student fees due to a decline in student numbers and a decline in Research income of €0.4M.

A decline in interest income of €0.2M, due to reduced balances on deposit and lower interest rates, has been offset by an increase in sale of Class Materials and income attributable to Springboard & ICT Skills initiatives.

The amortisation of Deferred Capital Grants matches the Depreciation charge for the year (Excluding GMIT Catering Co.).

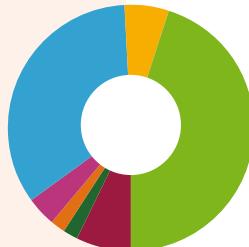
Total expenditure in 2014 amounted to €55.8M which represents a reduction of €1.8M from 2013. This reduction was driven by a decrease in non pay costs of €0.9M and a decrease in pay costs of €0.6M. Expenditure exceeded income by €2.7M prior to the transfer from capital development reserves of €0.2M, which resulted in a deficit for the year of €2.5M. The accumulated surplus as at the 31st of August 2014 has reduced to €1.6M.

## **Balance Sheet**

Expenditure on Fixed Assets amounted to €0.7M of which €0.21M 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 €2.9M, the net book value of fixed assets decreased by €2.2M to €66.3M. The capital account, was decreased accordingly to €66.3M.

The Capital Development Reserve account is held to fund the development of student facilities and the balance at Aug 14 was €8.7M, a reduction of €0.3M for the year.

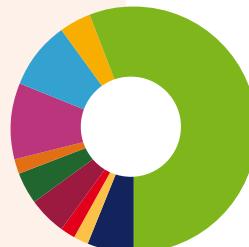
Ioncam de Réir Foinse 2014	
Deontas Stáit	44%
Scaoileadh ó Chuntas Caipítí	5%
Táillí Teagaisc	35%
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	4%
Ioncam Aitheanta Maoiniú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn	2%
Ioncam Lónadóireachta	3%
Ioncam Eile	7%



#### Income by Source 2014

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

Caiteachas 2014	
Ranna Acadúla	57%
Seirbhísí Acadúla	4%
Saoráidí	7%
Príomhriarachán	10%
Costais Ghinearálta Oideachasúla	2%
Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	5%
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	5%
Maoiniú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn Feidhmithe	2%
Caiteachas Lónadóireachta	3%
Dímheas & Díluachálacha	5%



#### Expenditure 2014

Academic Departments	57%
Academic Services	4%
Facilities	7%
Central Administration	10%
General Educational Expenses	2%
Student Services	5%
Research Grants & Contracts	5%
Student Support Funding Applied	2%
Catering Expenditure	3%
Depreciation	5%

# Gaeilge 7

Cuireadh an Ghaeilge ar fáil mar ábhar roghnach go leibhéal céime ar chláir éagsúla léinn a reachtáladh ar champsas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath agus ar champsas Chaisleán an Bharraigh le linn na bliana acadúla 2014-15. Cuireadh an t-ábhar Gaeilge na Cumarsáide ar fáil do mhic léinn Scannán agus Faisnéise sa Lárionad do na hEalaíona Cruthaitheacha & na Meáin. Clár 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 lón le linn an dara téarma ag Campas Bhóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath. Thug sé seo deis do bhaill fairne a gcuid Gaeilge labhartha a chleachtadh. Bhí an tOifigeach Gaeilge, Eimear Ó Tuathaigh, i mbun na ranganna seo.

Seoladh tionscnamh fuinniúil dar teideal an ‘Cappuccino Gaeltacht’ i mí an Mhárta 2015 a bhfuil sé mar aidhm aige úsáid na Gaeilge a chur chun cinn in GMIT. Coincheap de chuid Choiste Gaeilge GMIT é an Cappuccino Gaeltacht atá maoinithe ag Foras na Gaeilge. Láthair chruinnithe í sa cheaintín ag gach campas in GMIT, inar féidir le baill fairne agus neacha léinn a theacht le chéile agus Gaeilge a labhairt go neamhfhoirmiúil.

Rinne an láithreoir teilifíse agus raidió, Eoghan Mac Diarmada an ócáid a sheoladh mar chuid d'imeachtaí Sheachtain na Gaeilge. Bhí Méara na Gaillimhe, an comhairleoir Donal Lyons agus ionadaithe ó Fhoras na Gaeilge, Oifig an Choimisiúna Teanga, Údarás na Gaeltachta Conradh na Gaeilge agus Comhlachas na Gaillimhe i láthair ag an seoladh, mar aon le hUachtaráin na hInstitiúide, Michael Carmody, baill de Bhord Rialaithe GMIT agus mic léinn agus baill fairne GMIT.

Ghlac mic léinn GMIT páirt i gcomórtas talainne, ‘Réalt GMIT’ i gceaintín plódaithe tar éis an tsearmanais ghearrtha ribín i láthair nuabhrandáilte an ‘Cappuccino Gaeltacht’. Bhí láithreoir *the Voice of Ireland* agus Amy Kelly, Aontas na Mac Léinn GMIT ina moltóirí ar an gcomórtas.

Rinne mic léinn ríomhaireachta GMIT aip a fhobairt ag tabhairt eolais faoin Cappuccino Gaeltacht agus faoi sheirbhísí in GMIT.

Léiríonnán Cappuccino Gaeltacht tiomantas GMIT i leith na Gaeilge mar atá leagtha amach sa Scéim Teanga 2013-16, a bhfuil sé mar aidhm ann cur le raon agus caighdeán na seirbhísí atá ar fáil trí Ghaeilge do mhic léinn, don fhoireann agus don phobal.

# Irish Language 7

Irish was offered as an elective to degree level on various programs on Dublin Road Campus and on Castlebar campus during the academic year 2014-15. The subject Gaeilge na Cumarsáide was available to students of Film and Documentary students in The College of Creative Arts an Media. This is a practical course which prepares students to gain experience in the Irish language media sector.

Irish language conversation classes were provided for staff at lunch time on Dublin Road Campus in the second half of the academic year. This gave staff an opportunity to practice their spoken Irish. The classes were given by GMIT's Irish language Officer, Eimear Ó Tuathaigh.

A unique initiative, Cappuccino Gaeltacht was launched in March of 2015 which is aimed at promoting the use of Irish in GMIT. Cappuccino Gaeltacht is a concept developed by GMIT's CoisteGaeilge and funded by ForasnaGaeilge. It provides a designated space in each GMIT campus canteen where staff and students can gather and chat informally as Gaeilge.

The event was launched by Irish television & radio presenter, Eoghan McDermott as part of SeachtainnaGaeilge. The launch was attended by the Mayor of Galway City, Cllr Donal Lyons, and members of ForasnaGaeilge, Oifig an Choimisiúna Teanga, ÚdarásnaGaeltachta, ConradhnaGaeilge, Galway Chamber, President Michael Carmody and members of the GMIT Governing Body as well as GMIT students and staff.

After the formal ribbon-cutting ceremony in the newly branded Cappuccino Gaeltacht, GMIT students took to a podium in the packed canteen to compete in ‘Réalt GMIT’, a talent competition judged by the Voice of Ireland presenter and Amy Kelly, GMIT Students’ Union.

GMIT computing students developed an App which offers information about Cappuccino Gaeltacht and services in GMIT.

The Cappuccino Gaeltacht reflects the Institute’s commitment to the Irish language as outlined in the GMIT Irish Language Scheme 2013-2016, which aims to increase the range and standard of services available in Irish to students, staff and the general public.

## Comhionannas Deiseanna 8 Equality of Opportunity 8

Is fostóir comhionannas deiseanna í Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo. Sa chálíocht 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 teaghlaigh, creidimh reiligiúnaigh, treoshuúmh ghnéasaigh, míchumais, aoise nó ballraíocht sa phobal siúil a chur chun cinn, de réir na reachtaíochta ábhartha (Achtanna Comhionannas Fostaíochta, 1998 agus 2008).

The Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology is an equal opportunities employer. As such, it is committed to equality of opportunity for existing and potential employees, and to providing a work environment free from discrimination on grounds of gender, marital status, family status, race, religious belief, sexual orientation, disability, age or membership of the travelling community, in accordance with the relevant legislation (Employment Equality Acts, 1998 and 2008).

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# Aguisín II

## Cuntas Iniúchta

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Ráiteas maidir le Freagrachtaí

Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach Airgeadais

Tuarascáil an Iniúchóra

Ráiteas ar na Polasaithe Cuntasáiochta

Cuntas Comhdhlúite Ioncaim agus Caiteachais

Clár Comhardaithe Comhdhlúite

Clár Comhardaithe na hInstitiúide

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## Ráiteas Maidir le Freagrachtaí na Hinstiúide

Éilíonn na hAchtanna um Institiúid 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, éiltear ar an Institiúid:

- polasaithe cuntasáiochta oiriúnacha a roghnú agus iad a chur i bhfeidhm go seasta;
- breithiúnais agus meastachán a dhéanamh atá ciallmhar agus críonna;
- aon athrú tábhachtach ar chaighdeáin chuntasáiochta 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 chuntasáiochta 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 gcomhlíonnann na ráitis airgeadais na hAchtanna um Institiúid Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006. Tá an Institiúid freagrach freisin as sábhálteachta a cuid sócmhainní agus as bearta réasúnta a ghlacadh chun caimiléireacht nó mírialtachtaí eile a chosc agus a bhrath.

An Dr Fergal Barry  
Uachtaráin



Des Mahon  
Cathaoirleach



22 Deireadh Fómhair 2015

## 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 proper books of account 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.

Dr. Fergal Barry  
President



Des Mahon  
Chairman



22 October 2015

## Ráiteas ar Rialú Inmheánach

### Freagacht as an gCóras Rialaithe Inmheánaigh

Admhaíonn an Bord Rialaithe a fhreagacht 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 freagacht 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 ráthaíocht réasúnta agus ní glanráthaíocht 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 iarmhairt 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.

## Statement of Internal Control

### 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.

## Príomhgnáthaimh 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 earnálach 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 chomhlionadh 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 ancreat.

- Bíonn na gnáthaimh agus na rialacháin airgeadais doiciméadaithe ar bhonn reatha, curtha i ngníomh agus cothrom le dáta.
- Ról agus freagrachtaí sainithe bainistíocha 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 réamhaisnésí.
- Córás cuimsitheach buiséadaithe le buiséad bliantúil a athbhreithníonn agus a fhaomhann an Bord Rialaithe.
- Forbairt spriocanna chun feidhmíocht airgeadais agus feidhmíocht eile a mheas.
- Treoiríntse rialaithe infheistíocha caipítíl atá sonraithe go soiléir.
- Rialuithe foirmiúla agus seiceálacha bainistíocha ar a n-áirítear idirdhealú dualgas, agus seiceáil shamplála sonrasc agus íocaíochtaí.
- Tá Coiste Iniúchóireachta ann, ag a bhfuil cairt shonraithe iniúchóireachta, le téarmaí tagartha soiléire, a bhíonn ag déileáil le saincheisteanna suntasacha rialaithe agus a fhraigheann tuairiscí ó na hiniúchóirí inmheánacha agus seachtracha.
- Tá feidhm Iniúchóireachta Inmheánaí ann a oibríonn de réir Chreatchód an Scotchleachtais atá leagtha amach sa Chód Cleachtais d’Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta. Faomhann an Coiste Iniúchóireachta an pleán bliantúil iniúchóireachta inmheánaí agus tuairiscíonn an fheidhm Iniúchóireachta Inmheánaí don fhchoiste sin go rialta.

## 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.
- 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 a defined audit charter is in place, with clear terms of reference, which deals with significant control issues and receives the reports of the internal and external auditors.
- An 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 annual internal audit plan is approved by the Audit Committee and the Internal Audit function reports to this subcommittee regularly.

- 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 Treoirínté maidir le Luach ar Airgead a Fháil ar Chaiteachas Poiblí a éascú.
- Gnáthaimh agus córais chun comhall leis na dlíthe ábhartha cánachais a éascú.

### Bainistiú Riosca

Cuireadh na bearta seo a leanas i bhfeidhm in 2013/14:

- Ceapadh an Rúnaí Rialtóir Airgeadais mar choinneálaí clár rioscaí in Eanáir 2014 agus tugadh faoi athbhreithniú ar an bpolasaí bainistithe rioscaí, ar a n-áirítear clár rioscaí nuashonraithe a fhorbairt. D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe an Clár nua Rioscaí i Samhain 2014.
- Cuimsiodh Bainistiú Rioscaí mar mhír chláir ar feadh 13 chruinniú den Bhord Feidhmeannach agus 5 chruinniú den Choiste Iniúchóireachta agus 1 chruinniú den Bhord Rialaithe.

Cuirfear na bearta seo a leanas i bhfeidhm in 2014/15:

- Déanfar an Clár Rioscaí a chascáidiú síos trí na scoileanna/feidhmeanna ábhartha.

Príomh-Mhíreanna a cuireadh i gcrích le linn 2013/14

- Rinneadh athbhreithniú ar éifeachtach an Bhord Rialaithe le linn 2014. Ghlac an Bord Rialaithe le moltaí an athbhreithnithe ag a gcuinniú i mí na Samhna agus shocraigh go dtiocfadh cur i bhfeidhm an athbhreithnithe i ngníomh nuair a cheapfaí an Bord Rialaithe nua.

Príomh-mhíreanna ar bun ag deireadh na bliana 2014

Mar thoradh ar athbhreithniú na Bainistíochta ar Chreat Rialaithe Inmheánaigh na hInstitiúide do 2014, sainaithníodh feabhsuithe rialaithe agus tá aghaidh á tabhairt ar na príomh-mhíreanna seo a leanas in 2014/15:

**Míreanna Curtha i gCrích:**

- D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe an Polasaí Frithchhalaoise ag Cruinniú Eanáir 2015.
- D'fhaomh an Bord Feidhmeannach an Plean do Theagmhas Criticiúil agus an Plean do Leanúnachas Gnó ag a gcuinniú i mí na Nollag 2014.
- D'fhaomh an Bord Feidhmeannach Plean do Leanúnachas Gnó IT ag a gcuinniú i mí na Nollag 2014.

- 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

The following actions were undertaken in 2013/14:

- The Secretary Financial Controller was appointed Risk register holder in January 2014 and a review of the risk management policy, including the development of an updated risk register was undertaken. The new Risk Register was approved by Governing Body in November 2014.
- Risk Management was incorporated as an agenda item for 13 meetings of the Executive Board and 5 meetings of the Audit Committee and 1 meeting of the Governing Body.

The following actions will be undertaken in 2014/15:

- The Risk Register will be cascaded down through the relevant schools/functions.

Key Items completed during 2013/14

- 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.

Key Items in progress at year end 2014

Following on from Managements review of the Institutes Internal Control Framework for 2014 control improvements have been identified and the following key items are being addressed in 2014/15:

**Items Completed:**

- 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 Rialithe an Polasaí Nochta in Eanáir 2015
- D'fhaomh an Bord Rialithe 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 Sonraí
  - Polasaí maidir le Coinneáil rPhoist
  - Polasaí maidir le Slándáil Faisnéise
  - Creat Cáipéisíocha

**Míreanna atá ar bun agus atá le cur i gcrích fós:**

- Bhítheas ag súil go n-ullmhódh an tSeirbhís Náisiúnta Soláthair agus/nó an Oifig um Sholáthar Rialtais Plean Soláthair Chorparáidigh ar son GM. Ach ina éagmáis sin a bheith déanta, cuirfidh GMIT anailís ar chaiteachas i gcrích faoi dheireadh Lúnasa 2016 chun réimsí coigiltis/éifeachtúlachtaí a shainaithint a d'fhéadfaí a fháil as Soláthair, lasmuigh de na réimsí a aimseoidh EPS/OGP.
- Níl an Institiúid (agus earnál 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'earnál na nInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta. In 2011 dhréachtaigh an grúpa Rúnaithe Rialtóirí Airgeadais Earnálach litir don Roinn Airgeadais ag lorg díolúine ar an mbonn go bhfaigheann earnál an oideachais lascaine níos mó as ICT a cheannach ná mar atá aontaithe sna chreachomhaontuithe. Go dtí seo ní bhfuarthas aon fhreagra ón Roinn Airgeadais. Tá beartaithe ag an Institiúid soiléiriú a lorg ar an ábhar sin in 2015/16.
- D'fhaomh an Bord Rialithe an Cód Iompraíochta d'Fhostaithe ag a gcruiinníú i Meán Fómhair 2015.
- Athbhreithniú leanúnach agus feabhsú ar an gcreat bainistíthe rioscaí mar aon le haithbhreithniú leanúnach ar Chód Rialachais d'Institiúidí Teicneolaíochta na hÉireann chun an bainistíu rioscaí a fheabhsú agus an creat rialachais laistigh de GMIT a thógáil tuilleadh.

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

**Athbhreithniú bliantúil ar rialuithe inmheánacha**

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

- Obair na hIniúchóireachta Inmheánaí a chuimsíonn measúnú bliantúil ar rialuithe inmheánacha airgeadais. Cuireann an plean iniúchóireachta inmheánaí riosca san áireamh agus réimsí athbhreithnithe á sainaithint.

- 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.

**Items in progress yet to be completed:**

- 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. In 2011 the Sectoral Secretary Financial Controllers group drafted a letter to the Department of Finance seeking exemption on the basis that the education sector receives a greater discount from the purchase of ICT than the framework agreements have agreed. To date there has been no response from the department of Finance. The Institute intends to seek clarification on this matter in 2015/16.
- The Employee Code of Conduct was approved 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.

- An Choiste Iniuichóireachta a dhéanann maoirseacht ar obair na hIniuichóireachta Inmheánaí. Buaileann an Coiste Iniuichóireachta leis na hIniuichóirí Inmheánacha ar bhonn rialta chun obair na hIniuichóireachta Inmheánaí a athbhreithniú.
- Oifigh shinsearacha laistigh d'Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo atá freagrach as an gcreat rialaithe inmheánaigh a phorbairt agus a choinneáil.
- An próiseas bainistithe riosca.
- Na ráitis atá déanta ag an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste ina litir bhainistithe nó tuairiscí eile.

Tá próisis 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 Iniuichóireachta 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 2013/2014. Rinne an Bord Rialaithe athbhreithniú ar éifeachtacht an chórais Rialaithe Inmheánaigh agus Bainistithe Riosca don bhliain dar cróch 31 Lúnasa 2014 ar 20 Mí na Samhna 2014.

D'ainneoin na ráiteas thusa, níor sainaithníodh laige ar bith sa rialú inmheánach le linn na tréimhse a d'fhéadfadh a bheith ina cúis le caillteanas 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

22 Deireadh Fómhair 2015

- 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.

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 2013/2014. The Governing Body performed its review of the effectiveness of the system of Internal Control and Risk Management for the year ended 31 August 2014 on November 20th 2014.

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

22 October 2015

## An tArd-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste Tuarascáil le cur i láthair Thithe an Oireachtas

### Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo

Tá ráitis airgeadais Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe-Maigh Eo don bhliain dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2014 iniúchta agam faoi na hAchtanna um Institiúid Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006. Tá na ráitis airgeadais, a ullmhaíodh faoi na beartais chuntasaíochta arna leagan amach sna ráitis, comhdhéanta den ráiteas ar bheartais chuntasaíochta, an cuntas ioncaim agus caiteachais chomhdhluíte, clár comhardaithe chomhdhluíte na hInstitiúide, an ráiteas comhdhluíte ar shreabhadh airgid agus na nótáí gaolmhara. Is é ancreat tuairiscithe airgeadais a cuireadh i bhfeidhm ina n-ullmhúchán ná na hAchtanna um Institiúid Teicneolaíochta 1992 go 2006 agus an cleachtas cuntasaiochta a nglactar leis go coitianta in Éirinn.

### Freagrachtaí na hInstitiúide

Tá an Institiúid freagrach as na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú, as a chinntí go dtugann siad léargas fíor agus cóir ar riocht 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

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

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

Déanaim m'iniúchadh de réir na gCaighdeán Idirnáisiúnta ar Iniúchadh (RA agus Éire) agus i gcomháll leis na Caighdeán Eiticiúla d'Iniúchóirí de chuid Bhord na gCleachtaí. Iniúchóireachta.

### Raon an iniúchta ar na ráitis airgeadais

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

- cibé an bhfuil na polasaithe cuntasaiochta oiriúnach do chuínsí na hInstitiúide, ar cuireadh i bhfeidhm go seasmhach iad agus ar nochtagh go leordhóthanach iad

## 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 (the financial statements) for the year ended 31 August 2014 under the Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006. The financial statements, which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein, comprise the statement of accounting policies, the consolidated income and expenditure account, the consolidated balance sheet, the Institute balance sheet, 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 in Ireland.

### 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 of the state of the Group's and Institute's affairs and of the Group's income and expenditure, 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 the Institutes of Technology Acts 1992 to 2006.

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

- 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, a ullmhaodh i gceart de réir cleachtais chuntasáiochta a nglactar leis go coitianta in Éirinn, léargas fíorcheart ar riocht ghnóthai an Ghrúpa agus na hInstitiúide ag 31 Lúnasa 2014 agus ar ioncam agus chaiteachas an Ghrúpa don bhliaín dar críoch sin.

Is é mo thuairim go raibh leabhair chuntais chuí coinnithe ag an Institiúid. Tá na ráitis airgeadais ag teacht leis na leabhair chuntais.

#### Gnóthas Leantach

Gan coinníoll a chur le mo thuairim ar na ráitis airgeadais, tarraingim aird ar Nótá 28. Nochtann sé sin an bonn ar a measann an Bord Rialaithe é a bheith iomchuí na ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar bhonn an ghnóthais leantaigh. Tabháodh easnaimh i ngach ceann de na trí bliana seo caite. Tá baill an Bhord Rialaithe sásta gur gnóthas leantach í an Institiúid i gcónai.

#### Ábhair ar a dtugaim tuairisc trí eisceacht

##### Tuairiscim trí eisceacht

- mura bhfuil an fhaisnéis agus na mínithe go léir faighte agam atá riachtanach do m'iniúchadh, nó
- má thug m'iniúchadh aon chás ábhartha faoi deara 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'Institiúidi Teicneolaíochta na hÉireann, nó
- má aimsím ábhair ábhartha eile a bhaineann leis an mbealach inar riadaradh gnó poiblí.

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

Seamus McCarthy  
Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste

3 Samhain 2015

- 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, which have been properly prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in Ireland, give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and Institute's affairs at 31 August 2014 and of the Group's income and expenditure for the year then ended.

In my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Institute. The financial statements are in agreement with the books of account.

#### Going concern

Without qualifying my opinion on the financial statements, I draw attention to Note 28. This discloses the basis upon which the Governing Body considers that it is appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis. Deficits have been incurred by the Institute in each of the last three years. 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
- my audit noted any material instance where public 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
- I find 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.

Seamus McCarthy  
Comptroller and Auditor General  
03 November 2015

## Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasáiochta

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

### 1. BUNÚS AN ULLMHÚCHÁIN

Ullmháíodh na ráitis airgeadais de réir na bprionsabal cuntasáiochta a bhfuil glactha leo go coitianta 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 bhiodh 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 caipítil agus déantar iad a amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas thar shaol na sócmhainní.

#### *Mionoibreatha Caipítil:*

Thug an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta scéim isteach d'fhoinn freaghracht a dhéabhlóidiú don Institiúid d'Oibreacha Samhraidh agus d'Oibreacha Caipítil eile. Áit nár caitheadh suimeanna airgid deontais déabhlóidit 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 mionoibreatha caipítil ag an méid atá oiriúnach don bhliain acadúil ábhartha agus é cinnithe ar bhonn chionroinnt ama.

## 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.

#### *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.

***Deontais Taighde agus Conarthaí:***

Déantar ioncam ó Dheontais Taighde agus Conarthaí 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 Conarthaí’. Déantar soláthar iomlán do chailleanais intuartha.

***Ioncam ó Tháillí Neacha Léinn:***

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

***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, céas 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 Nótá 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 mbliain a fhála. Ó 1 Meán Fómhair 2010, áit a bhfuil míreanna aonair trealaimh 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.

***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.

***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 at 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) DÍMHEAS

Leantar de chaitheamh le gach sócmhainn a ceannaíodh roimh 1 Meán Fómhair 2008 agus a caipitlóidh 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:

	Bliana
Foircnimh	50
Daingneán agus Feistithe,	
Réamhdhéantáin san áireamh	10
Trealamh Ríomhaire	3
Gléasra agus Innealra	10
Trealamh	5
Feithiclí Mótair	5

Déantar gach trealamh a maoiníodh ó Dheontais Taighde agus Conartháí a hímheas thar shaol na sócmhainne ag teacht leis an bpolasai do gach Sócmhainn Sheasta eile.

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### 6. AIRGEADRAÍ EACHTRANNACHA

Aistrítar bearta atá ainmhithe in airgeadraí eachtracha ina Euro agus déantar iad a thaifeadadh de réir na rátaí malaire a bhí i bhfeidhm ar dhátaí na mbeart. Aistrítar sócmhainní agus dliteanais airgeadaíochta atá ainmhithe in airgeadraí eachtracha ina Euro de réir na rátaí malaire a bhí i bhfeidhm ar dháta an chláir chomhardaithe.

### 7. PINSIN

Is faoi scéim shainithe sochair a thugtar gach teidlíocht pinsin foirne faoi Acht Rialtais Áitiúil (Aoislíntas) 1980 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 aoislíntais ó fhostaithe, mar chuid chomhaontaithe dá maoiniú.

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

Cuireadh túis leis an bPinsean Seirbhís Poiblí Aonair ('an Scéim Aonair') le héifeacht ó 1 Eanáir 2013. Is baill den Scéim Aonair i gcoitinne iad gach iontrálaí nua ar fhostaíochta inphinsin na seirbhís poiblí ar nó i ndiaidh 1 Eanáir 2013. Cuirtear airgead a fhaightear ó fhostaithe faoin scéim seo ar ais chuig an Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna.

### (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.

### 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.

### 7. PENSIONS

Pension entitlements of staff are conferred under a defined benefit scheme established under the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1980, 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 new Single Public Service Pension ("Single Scheme") commenced with effect from 1 January 2013. All new entrants to pensionable public service employment on or after 1 January 2013 are, in general, members of the Single Scheme. Monies received from employees under this scheme are returned to the Department of Education and Skills.

**8. DEONTAIS CHAIPITIL IARCHURTHA**

Is éard atá sna Deontais Chaipitil Iarchurtha luach neamhamúchta na gcistí carntha atá cionroinnt 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'eadair cistí dá leithéid as Táillí Neacha Léinn, bronntanais chaipitil neamh-Stáit, táillí saoráidí baincéireachta agus aistrithe ó Chúlchistí Ioncaim, sa chás deiridh a bhfuil réamhfhaoimhadh 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 choinníoll go bhfuil na tionscadail shainnithe a bhfuil siad tiomanta dóibh ag teacht le Plean Caipitil Forbartha na hInstitiúide, iad faofa ag an mBord Rialaithe, céimnithe ó thaobh ama de agus le meastachán ar na costais.

**10. LÉASANNA**

Breactar cíosanna faoi léasanna oibriúcháin don chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais i gcomh-mhéideanna bliantúla thar thréimhse an léasa.

**8. DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS**

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

**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.

# Cuntas Comhdhlúite Ioncaim Agus Caiteachais

## MR A BHÍ AR 31 LÚNASA 2014

	Nóta	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<i>IONCAM</i>			
Deontais Stáit	1	23,499	25,281
Amúchadh Deontas Caipítíl Iarchurtha	18	2,870	3,288
Táillí Neacha Léinn	2	18,620	19,182
Deontais Taighde agus Conarthaí	3	1,957	2,377
Ioncam ó Ús		267	462
Ioncam Ciste Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn Aitheanta	4	895	918
Lónadóireacht	27	1,447	1,394
Ioncam Eile	5	3,534	3,327
		<b>53,089</b>	<b>56,229</b>
<i>CAITEACHAS</i>			
Ranna Acadúla	6	31,558	32,168
Seirbhísí Acadúla	7	2,521	2,470
Costais Saoráidí	8	4,721	5,288
Príomh-Riarachán & Seirbhísí	9	5,602	5,708
Costais Ghinearálta Oideachasúla	10	908	927
Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	11	2,571	2,500
Deontais Taighde agus Conarthaí	3	2,696	2,913
Cistiú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn Feidhmithe	4	895	918
Díscróibh Sócmhainní i mBun Tógála		0	115
Dímheas	14	2,878	3,176
Costais Lónadóireachta	27	1,423	1,421
	<b>12</b>	<b>55,773</b>	<b>57,604</b>
(Easnamh) don bhliain roimh aistriú go Cúlchiste Caipítíl Forbartha		(2,684)	(1,375)
Aistriú go Cúlchiste Caipítíl Forbartha	24	226	108
(Easnamh) don bhliain		(2,458)	(1,267)
Barrachas Carntha ar 1 Meán Fómhair		4,093	5,360
Barrachas Carntha ar 31 Lúnasa		<b>1,635</b>	<b>4,093</b>

Níl gnóthachan ná cailteanas 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 cuntasáiochta, an ráiteas faoi shreabhadh airgid agus Nótáí 1 go 29.

Sínithe ar son an Bhord Rialaithe

An Dr. Fergal Barry  
Uachtaráin:

Des Mahon  
Cathaoirleach

# Consolidated Income and Expenditure Account

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2014

	Note	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<b>INCOME</b>			
State Grants	1	23,499	25,281
Amortisation of Deferred Capital Grants	18	2,870	3,288
Student Fees	2	18,620	19,182
Research Grants and Contracts	3	1,957	2,377
Interest Income		267	462
Student Support Funding Income Recognised	4	895	918
Catering	27	1,447	1,394
Other Income	5	3,534	3,327
		<b>53,089</b>	<b>56,229</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Academic Departments	6	31,558	32,168
Academic Services	7	2,521	2,470
Facilities Costs	8	4,721	5,288
Central Administration & Services	9	5,602	5,708
General Educational Expenses	10	908	927
Student Services	11	2,571	2,500
Research Grants and Contracts	3	2,696	2,913
Student Support Funding Income Applied	4	895	918
Write down of Assets in Course of Construction		0	115
Depreciation	14	2,878	3,176
Catering Costs	27	1,423	1,421
	12	<b>55,773</b>	<b>57,604</b>
(Deficit) for the year before transfer to Capital Development Reserve		(2,684)	(1,375)
Transfer from Capital Development Reserve	24	226	108
(Deficit) for the year		(2,458)	(1,267)
Accumulated Surplus at 1 September		4,093	5,360
Accumulated Surplus at 31 August		<b>1,635</b>	<b>4,093</b>

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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

Dr. Fergal Barry  
President:

Des Mahon  
Chairman:

Date: 22 October 2015

# Clár Comhardaithe Comhdhlúite

## MAR A BHÍ AR 31 LÚNASA 2014

	Nóta	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<b>SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA</b>			
Sócmhainní Inláimhsithe	14	66,270	68,433
<b>SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA</b>			
Féichiúnaithe agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	16	1,258	1,671
Airgead sa Bhanc nó ar Láimh		13,017	15,817
Stoc		7	7
		14,282	17,495
<b>DLITEANAIS REATHA</b>			
Creidiúnaithe agus Costais Fhabhraithe: Méideanna dlite laistigh de 1 bhliain	17	3,920	4,387
Glansócmhainní Reatha		10,362	13,108
Glansócmhainní		76,632	81,541
<b>Dá Seasann</b>			
Deontais Chaipitil Iarchurtha	18	66,263	68,421
Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais		1,635	4,093
Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha	24	8,734	9,027
		76,632	81,541

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

Sínithe ar son an Bhord Rialaithe

An Dr. Fergal Barry  
Uachtaráin:

Des Mahon  
Cathaoirleach

Dáta: 22 Deireadh Fómhair 2015

# Consolidated Balance Sheet

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2014

	Note	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible Assets	14	66,270	68,433
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors and Prepayments	16	1,258	1,671
Cash at Bank and in Hand		13,017	15,817
Stock	7	7	
		14,282	17,495
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Creditors and accrued expenses : Amounts falling due within 1 year	17	3,920	4,387
Net Current Assets		10,362	13,108
Net Assets		76,632	81,541
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>			
Deferred Capital Grants	18	66,263	68,421
Income & Expenditure Account		1,635	4,093
Capital Development Reserve	24	8,734	9,027
		76,632	81,541

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Signed on behalf of the Governing Body

*Dr. Fergal Barry*  
President:

*Des Mahon*  
Chairman:

Date: 22 October 2015

# Clár Comhardaithe Na Hinstituíde

## MAR A BHÍ AR 31 LÚNASA 2014

	Nóta	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<b>SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA</b>			
Sócmhainní Inláimhsithe	15	66,263	68,421
<b>SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA</b>			
Féichiúnaithe agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	16	1,229	1,649
Airgead sa Bhanc agus ar Láimh		12,914	15,726
		14,143	17,375
<b>DLITEANAIS REATHA</b>			
Creidiúnaithe agus Costais Fhabhraithe: Méideanna dlite laistigh de 1 bliain	17	3,889	4,351
Glansócmhainní Reatha		10,254	13,024
Glansócmhainní		76,517	81,445
<b>DÁ SEASANN</b>			
Deontais Chaipil Iarchurtha	18	66,263	68,421
Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais		1,520	3,997
Cúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha	24	8,734	9,027
		76,517	81,445

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Sínithe ar son an Bhord Rialaithe

An Dr. Fergal Barry  
Uachtaráin:

Des Mahon  
Cathaoirleach

Dáta: 22 Deireadh Fómhair 2015

# Institute Balance Sheet

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2014

	Note	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
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Debtors and Prepayments	16	1,229	1,649
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Signed on behalf of the Governing Body

*Dr. Fergal Barry*  
President:

*Des Mahon*  
Chairman:

Date: 22 October 2015

# Ráiteas Comhdhlúite Faoi Shreabhadh Airgid

## DON BHLIAIN DAR CRÍOCH 31 LÚNASA 2014

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
(Easnamh) oibriúcháin a réiteach le hinsreabhadh glan airgid ó ghníomhaíochtaí oibriúcháin		
(Easnamh) oibriúcháin	(2,684)	(1,375)
Ioncam ó ús	(267)	(462)
Dímheas	2,878	3,176
Díscróibh sócmhainní i mbun tógála		115
Amúchadh ag teacht le dímheas sócmhainne	(2,870)	(3,288)
Laghdú ar Stoc		3
Laghdú/(Méadú) ar Fhéichiúnaithe	424	(464)
(Laghdú) ar Chreidiúnaithe	(472)	(264)
(Eis-sreabhadh) Glan Airgid ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin	<hr/> (2,991)	<hr/> (2,559)
RÁITEAS AR SHREABHADH AIRGID		
(Eis-sreabhadh) Glan Airgid ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin	<hr/> (2,991)	<hr/> (2,559)
Fáltais ar Infheistíochtaí & Fónamh ar Airgeadas		
Ús Faichte	241	620
Cánachas Aisíocha/(Íoctha)	7	(7)
Caiteachas Caipítíl		
Íocaíochtaí chun Sócmhainní Seasta a Pháil	(702)	(921)
Eis-sreabhadh Glan do Chaiteachas Caipítíl	<hr/> (702)	<hr/> (921)
Airgeadú		
Deontais Chaipítíl Stáit Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	209	140
Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	240	493
Cistí eile Caite ar Shócmhainní Seasta	196	165
Insreabhadh Glan Airgid ó Mhaoiniú	<hr/> 645	<hr/> 798
(Laghdú) ar airgead	<hr/> (2,800)	<hr/> (2,069)
Réiteach insreabhadh glan airgid le gluaiseachtaí i nglanchistí		
(Laghdú) ar airgead	15,817	17,886
Glanchistí tosaigh	13,017	15,817
Glanchistí ar 31 Lúnasa	<hr/> (2,800)	<hr/> (2,069)

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

Sínithe ar son an Bhord Rialaithe

An Dr. Fergal Barry  
Uachtaráin:

Des Mahon  
Cathaoirleach

# Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2014

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<i>Reconciliation of operating profit/deficit to net cash inflow from operating activities</i>		
<i>Operating (Deficit)</i>	(2,684)	(1,375)
Interest Income	(267)	(462)
Depreciation	2,878	3,176
Write down of assets in course of construction	115	
Amortisation in line with asset Depreciation	(2,870)	(3,288)
Decrease in Stocks	3	
Decrease/(Increase) in Debtors	424	(464)
(Decrease) in Creditors	(472)	(264)
<i>Net Cash (Outflow) from Operating Activities</i>	<u>(2,991)</u>	<u>(2,559)</u>
<i>CASH FLOW STATEMENT</i>		
<i>Net Cash (Outflow) from Operating Activities</i>	<u>(2,991)</u>	<u>(2,559)</u>
<i>Returns on Investment &amp; Servicing of Finance</i>		
Interest Received	241	620
Taxation Refund/(Paid)	7	(7)
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>		
Payments to acquire Fixed Assets	(702)	(921)
<i>Net Cash Outflow for Capital Expenditure</i>	<u>(702)</u>	<u>(921)</u>
<i>Financing</i>		
State Capital Grants spent on Fixed Assets	209	140
State Recurrent Grant spent on Fixed Assets	240	493
Other Funds Spent on Fixed Assets	196	165
<i>Net Cash inflow from Financing</i>	<u>645</u>	<u>798</u>
<i>(Decrease) in Cash</i>	<u>(2,800)</u>	<u>(2,069)</u>
<i>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds</i>		
(Decrease) in cash	15,817	17,886
Opening net funds	13,017	15,817
Net funds at 31 August	<u>(2,800)</u>	<u>(2,069)</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

Dr. Fergal Barry  
President:

Des Mahon  
Chairman:

# Nótaí do na Ráitis Airgeadais

## 1. DEONTAIS STÁIT

	Cionroinnte Do Chaiteachas Athfhillteach €'000	Cionroinnte Do Chaiteachas Caipitil €'000	Iomlán 2014 €'000	Iomlán 2013 €'000
Is achoimre é seo a leanas ar na Deontais Stáit atá aitheanta sa bhliain:				
Deontas Stáit do Chaiteachas Athfhillteach – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	23,664	240	23,904	25,895
Deontas Stáit do Chaiteachas Caipitil – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	11	33	44	19
Deontas Stáit do Mhionoibreacha Caipitil – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	(176)	176	0	0
Iomlán 2014	23,499	449	23,948	
<i>Iomlán 2013</i>	<i>25,281</i>	<i>633</i>	<i>25,914</i>	

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

## 2. TÁILLÍ NEACHA LÉINN

	Lón Neacha 2014 €'000	Lón Neacha Léinn (CLA)	Lón Neacha 2013 €'000	Lón Neacha Léinn (CLA)
Táillí íoctha ag an Stát	4,137	4,412	5,022	4,502
Táillí Neamh-AE	744	120	764	120
Táillí íoctha ag neacha léinn nó ar son neach léinn	581	562	966	698
Táillí Foghlaim ar Feadh an tSaoil	479	118	749	129
Ollchion Tairbhe Neacha Léinn, táillí athscrúdaithe san áireamh	12,691		11,701	
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(12)		(20)	
	18,620	5,212	19,182	5,449

D'foc an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas Táillí Teagaisc sa bhliain de €2,230,937 (12/13 €2,145,375) do chúrsaí Céime lánimseartha, €1,215,496 (12/13 €2,131,500) do chúrsaí ardteastais agus gnáthchéime agus €700,112 (€745,396) do chúrsaí céime altranais lánimseartha a bpáirtmhaoiníonn an ESF na costais iomlána.

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

Tá táillí bliantúla infiúcta ag neacha léinn, a bhfuil an ráta lánimseartha socráithe ag €2,500 (2013/14), €2,250 (2012/13).

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## 1. STATE GRANTS

	Allocated for Recurrent Expenditure €'000	Allocated for Capital Expenditure €'000	Total 2014 €'000	Total 2013 €'000
The following is a summary of State Grants recognised in the year:				
State Grant for Recurrent Expenditure – Higher Education Authority	23,664	240	23,904	25,895
State Grant for Capital Expenditure – Higher Education Authority	11	33	44	19
State Grant for Minor Capital Works – Higher Education Authority	(176)	176	0	0
Total 2014	23,499	449	23,948	
<i>Total 2013</i>	<i>25,281</i>	<i>633</i>	<i>25,914</i>	

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.

## 2. STUDENT FEES

	2014 €'000	Student No's (WTE)	2013 €'000	Student No's (WTE)
Fees paid by State	4,137	4,412	5,022	4,502
Non EU Fees	744	120	764	120
Fees paid by students or on behalf of students	581	562	966	698
Lifelong Learning Fees	479	118	749	129
Gross Student Contribution including repeat exam fees	12,691		11,701	
Transfer to Capital Account	(12)		(20)	
	18,620	5,212	19,182	5,449

The Higher Education Authority paid Tuition Fees in the year of €2,230,937 (12/13 €2,145,375) for full time Degree courses, €1,215,496 (12/13 €2,131,500) for higher certificate and ordinary degree courses and €700,112 (€745,396) 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 Student Contribution's are payable by students, the full time rate being set at €2,500 (2013/14), €2,250 (2012/13)

# Nótaí do na Ráitis Airgeadais

## 3. DEONTAIS TAIGHDE & CONARTHAÍ

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<i>IONCAM</i>		
Deontais Taighde agus Conartháí	2,049	2,476
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	(92)	(99)
	<b>1,957</b>	<b>2,377</b>

CAITEACHAS	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Costais Phá	1,238	1,362
XXXXXXXXXX	193	180
Costais Neamhphá	1,458	1,551
	<b>2,696</b>	<b>2,913</b>
(Easnamh)	<b>(739)</b>	<b>(536)</b>

## 4. CISTIÚ TACAÍOCHTA NEACHA LÉINN

	Ciste	Ciste	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
	Cabhrach	Neacha		
	Neacha	Léinn faoi		
	Léinn	Mhíchumas		
	€'000	€'000		
Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair	4	293	297	258
Fáltais	334	438	772	990
Lúide Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	–	(79)	(79)	(33)
<i>Méideanna Feidhmithe</i>				
Costais Phá	–	503	503	412
Costais Neamhphá	338	54	392	506
	<b>338</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>918</b>
Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa	0	95	95	297

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

## 5. IONCAM EILE

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Aisbhaintí Aoisliúntais Coinnithe	2,173	2,184
Cíos ar Shaoráidí	283	282
Costais a forchúitíodh i leith foirne ar iasachta	83	94
Díolachán Ábhar Teagaisc	363	208
Seirbhísí Fótachóipeála	2	11
Tionscnamh Springboard & Scileanna ICT	415	370
Ioncam Eile	0	0
Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	228	192
Iomlán	(13)	(14)
<i>Total</i>	<b>3,534</b>	<b>3,327</b>

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## 3. RESEARCH GRANTS & CONTRACTS

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
<i>INCOME</i>		
Research Grants and Contracts	2,049	2,476
Transfer to Capital Account	(92)	(99)
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	1,957	2,377

## EXPENDITURE

Pay Costs	1,238	1,362
Professional Fees	193	180
Non Pay Costs	1,458	1,551
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	2,696	2,913
(Deficit)	<hr/>	<hr/>
	(739)	(536)

## 4. STUDENT SUPPORT FUNDING

	Student Assistance Fund €'000	Fund for Students with Disabilities €'000	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Balance at 1 September	4	293	297	258
Receipts	334	438	772	990
Less Transfer to Capital Account	–	(79)	(79)	(33)
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
<i>Amounts Applied</i>				
Pay Costs	–	503	503	412
Non Pay Costs	338	54	392	506
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Balance at 31 August	338	557	895	918
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	0	95	95	297

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

## 5. OTHER INCOME

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Superannuation Deductions Retained	2,173	2,184
Rental of Facilities	283	282
Pay costs recouped in respect of seconded staff	83	94
Sale of Class Materials	363	208
Photocopying Services	2	11
Springboard & ICT Skills Initiative	415	370
HEA Funded Projects	0	0
Other Income	228	192
Transfer to Capital Account	(13)	(14)
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<i>Total</i>	3,534	3,327

# Nótaí do na Ráitis Airgeadais

## 6. RANNA ACADÚLA

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Pay Costs	29,907	30,344
Non Pay Costs	1,651	1,824
<i>Total</i>	<b>31,558</b>	<b>32,168</b>

## 7. SEIRBHÍSÍ ACADÚLA

Costais Phá	1,894	1,809
Costais Neamhphá	627	661
<i>Iomlán</i>	<b>2,521</b>	<b>2,470</b>

## 8. COSTAIS SAORÁIDÍ

Costais Phá	1,579	1,605
Costais Neamhphá	3,142	3,683
<i>Iomlán</i>	<b>4,721</b>	<b>5,288</b>

## 9. PRÍOMHRIARACHÁN AGUS SEIRBHÍSI

Costais Phá	3,594	3,685
Costais Neamhphá	2,008	2,023
<i>Iomlán</i>	<b>5,602</b>	<b>5,708</b>

## 10. COSTAIS GHINEARÁLTA OIDEACHAIS - SCRÚDUITHE:

Pay Costs	507	650
Non Pay Costs	401	277
<i>Total</i>	<b>908</b>	<b>927</b>

## 11. SEIRBHÍSI NEACHA LÉINN

	Costais Foirne €'000	Neamh-Phá €'000	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Fóirdheontas do Chlubanna, Chumainn agus Aontas na Neach Léinn	0	793	793	842
Seirbhísí Neacha Léinn	761	489	1,250	1,143
Seirbhísí Comhairleacha Gairme	69	11	80	85
Spórt & Áineas	17	1	18	19
Sláinte & Comhairleoireacht	313	117	430	411
<i>Iomlán</i>	<b>1,160</b>	<b>1,411</b>	<b>2,571</b>	<b>2,500</b>

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## 6. ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Pay Costs	29,907	30,344
Non Pay Costs	1,651	1,824
<i>Total</i>	<i>31,558</i>	<i>32,168</i>

## 7. ACADEMIC SERVICES

Pay Costs	1,894	1,809
Non Pay Costs	627	661
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,521</i>	<i>2,470</i>

## 8. FACILITIES COSTS

Pay Costs	1,579	1,605
Non Pay Costs	3,142	3,683
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,721</i>	<i>5,288</i>

## 9. CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICES

Pay Costs	3,594	3,685
Non Pay Costs	2,008	2,023
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,602</i>	<i>5,708</i>

## 10. GENERAL EDUCATION EXPENSES - EXAMINATIONS

Pay Costs	507	650
Non Pay Costs	401	277
<i>Total</i>	<i>908</i>	<i>927</i>

## 11. STUDENT SERVICES

	Staff Costs €'000	Non-Pay €'000	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Subvention to Clubs, Societies and Students Union	0	793	793	842
Student Services	761	489	1,250	1,143
Career Advisory Services	69	11	80	85
Sports & Recreation	17	1	18	19
Health & Counselling	313	117	430	411
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,160</i>	<i>1,411</i>	<i>2,571</i>	<i>2,500</i>

## Nótaí do na Ráitis Airgeadais

### 12. ANAILÍS AR CHAITEACHAS

	Costais Foirne €'000	Costais Oibriúcháin €'000	Dímheas €'000	Iomlán 2014 €'000	Iomlán 2013 €'000
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	1,238	1,458	302	2,998	3,366
Ranna Acadúla	29,907	1,651	519	32,077	32,754
Seirbhísí Acadúla	1,894	627	180	2,701	2,677
Costais Saoráidí	1,579	3,142	1,779	6,500	7,129
Príomhriarachán & Seirbhísí	3,594	2,008	34	5,636	5,756
Costais Ghinearálta Oideachais	507	401	—	908	927
Seirbhísí & Saoráidí Neacha Léinn	1,663	1,803	58	3,524	3,453
Díscríobh Sócmhainní i mbun Tógála	—	—	—	—	115
Lónadóireacht	746	677	6	1,429	1,427
Iomlán 2014	41,128	11,767	2,878	55,773	
 Iomlán 2013	 41,720	 12,708	 3,176	 57,604	

#### Anailís ar Chaiteachas Oibriúcháin Eile

Seirbhísí do Neacha Léinn	1,354	1,512
Costais Chothabhála	1,193	1,585
Oideachas Ginearálta	946	747
Táillí Gairmiúla	880	1,024
Costais ar Fhuinneamh	905	960
Ábhair & Tomhaltáin Eile	769	772
Lónadóireacht	677	662
Taisteal & Cothú	643	723
Costais Ríomhaire	543	532
Trealamh	459	566
Costais ar Áitribh Eile	446	509
Cíos agus Rátáí	429	403
Ilghnéitheach	411	427
Costais Pearsanra	352	386
Ábhair Leabharlainne	320	377
Stáiseanóiracht & Ábhair Oifige	276	262
Soláthar in aghaidh drochfhiach	241	287
Fógraíocht Ghinearálta & Poiblíocht	238	201
Deontais Neacha Léinn Iarchéime	225	142
Cumarsáid	205	209
Árachas	133	128
Costais Eile Taighde	52	109
Costais Airgeadais	41	41
Luach Saothair Iníúchóra	28	28
Costais an Bhord Rialaithe	1	1
Díscríobh Sócmhainní i mbun Tógála	0	115
 Iomlán	 11,767	 12,708

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## 12. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE

	Other			Total	Total
	Staff	Operating Expenses	Depreciation	2014	2013
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
Research Grants & Contracts	1,238	1,458	302	2,998	3,366
Academic Departments	29,907	1,651	519	32,077	32,754
Academic Services	1,894	627	180	2,701	2,677
Facilities Costs	1,579	3,142	1,779	6,500	7,129
Central Administration & Services	3,594	2,008	34	5,636	5,756
General Education Expenses	507	401	—	908	927
Student Services & Amenities	1,663	1,803	58	3,524	3,453
Write down of Assets in Course of Construction	—	—	—	—	115
Catering	746	677	6	1,429	1,427
2014 Total	41,128	11,767	2,878	55,773	
2013 Total	41,720	12,708	3,176		57,604

### Analysis of Other Operating Expenditure

Services to students	1,354	1,512
Maintenance Costs	1,193	1,585
General Education	946	747
Professional Fees	880	1,024
Energy Costs	905	960
Materials & Other Consumables	769	772
Catering	677	662
Travel & Subsistence	643	723
Computer costs	543	532
Equipment	459	566
Other Premises Costs	446	509
Rent and Rates	429	403
Miscellaneous	411	427
Personnel Costs	352	386
Library Materials	320	377
Stationery & office materials	276	262
Bad Debts Provision	241	287
General Advertising & Publicity	238	201
Postgraduate Student Grants	225	142
Communications	205	209
Insurance	133	128
Other Research Costs	52	109
Finance costs	41	41
Auditors Remuneration	28	28
Governing body expenses	1	1
Write down of Assets in Course of Construction	0	115
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,767</i>	<i>12,708</i>

# Nótaí do na Ráitis Airgeadais

## 13. CÁNACHAS

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

## 14. SOCMHAINNÍ SEASTA INLÁIMHSITHE COMHDHLÚITE

	Daingneáin									
	Foircnimh & Feistí Réamh-		Sócmhainní							
	Iomlán	Talamh &	i mBun	dhéantáin	Trealamh	Gléasra &	Feithiclí	Troscán &	Eile i mBun	Tógála
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
<i>Costas Nó Luacháil</i>										
Ar 1 Meán Fómhair										
2013	104,724	89,293	744	1,695	3,204	697	94	8,851	146	
Breiseanna	724	32	116	11	305	0	0	181	79	
Aistrithe ó i mBun										
Tógála	(12)	53	(65)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Diúscairtí	(138)	0	0	(6)	(106)	0	0	(26)	0	
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2014	105,298	89,378	795	1,700	3,403	697	94	9,006	225	

### Dímheas

Ar 1 Meán Fómhair										
2013	36,291	24,331	0	1,534	2,520	520	89	7,297	0	
Muirear Don Blhain	2,878	1,627	0	32	451	50	4	714	0	
Diúscairtí	(141)	0	0	(6)	(106)	0	0	(29)	0	
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2014	39,028	25,958	0	1,560	2,865	570	93	7,982	0	

### Glanluach De Réir

Na Leabhar										
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2014	66,270	63,420	795	140	538	127	1	1,024	225	

### Ar 1 Meán Fómhair

2013	68,433	64,962	744	161	684	177	5	1,554	146	
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Leagadh luach nialasach ar thalamh na hInstitiúide ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaithe) agus luacháladh breiseanna talún ina dhiaidh sin ar a gcostas stairiúil.

Luacháladh foircnimh ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaithe) ar bhonn costais dhímheasta athsholáthair agus luacháladh breiseanna ina dhiaidh sin ar a gcostas stairiúil.

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## 13. TAXATION

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

## 14. CONSOLIDATED TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Buildings	Fixtures &						Other Assets
		Land & Buildings	in Course of Construction	Fittings incl. Prefabs	Computer Equipment	Plant & Machinery	Motor Vehicles Equipment	Furniture & Equipment	in Course of Construction
	Total	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
<i>Cost or valuation</i>									
At 1 September 2013	104,724	89,293	744	1,695	3,204	697	94	8,851	146
Additions	724	32	116	11	305	0	0	181	79
Transfers from in course of construction	(12)	53	(65)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	(138)	0	0	(6)	(106)	0	0	(26)	0
At 31 August 2014	105,298	89,378	795	1,700	3,403	697	94	9,006	225
<i>Depreciation</i>									
At 1 September 2013	36,291	24,331	0	1,534	2,520	520	89	7,297	0
Charge for year	2,878	1,627	0	32	451	50	4	714	0
Disposals	(141)	0	0	(6)	(106)	0	0	(29)	0
At 31 August 2014	39,028	25,958	0	1,560	2,865	570	93	7,982	0
<i>Net book value</i>									
At 31 August 2014	66,270	63,420	795	140	538	127	1	1,024	225
At 1 September 2013	68,433	64,962	744	161	684	177	5	1,554	146

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. SOCMHAINNÍ SEASTA INLÁIMHSITHE NA hINSTITIÚIDE

#### Daingneáin

	Talamh & Iomlán €'000	Foirgnimh Foircnimh €'000	i mBun Tógála €'000	dhéantáin San Áireamh €'000	Trealamh Ríomhaire €'000	Gléasra & Innealra €'000	Feithiclí Mótair €'000	Troscán & Trealamh €'000	Sócmhainní Eile i mBun Tógála €'000
<i>Costas Nó Luacháil</i>									
Ar 1 Meán Fómhair									
2013	104,686	89,293	744	1,695	3,204	697	94	8,813	146
Breiseanna	724	32	116	11	305	0	0	181	79
Aistrithe ó i mBun									
Tógála	(12)	53	(65)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diúscairtí	(138)	0	0	(6)	(106)	0	0	(26)	0
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2014	105,260	89,378	795	1,700	3,403	697	94	8,968	225

#### Dímheas

Ar 1 Meán Fómhair									
2013	36,265	24,331	0	1,534	2,520	520	89	7,271	0
Muirear Don Bhliain	2,872	1,627	0	32	450	50	4	709	0
Diúscairtí	(140)	0	0	(6)	(105)	0	0	(29)	0
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2014	38,997	25,958	0	1,560	2,865	570	93	7,951	0

#### Glanluach De Réir

Na Leabhar									
Ar 31 Lúnasa 2014	66,263	63,420	795	140	538	127	1	1,017	225

#### Ar 1 Meán Fómhair

2013	68,421	64,962	744	161	684	177	5	1,542	146
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Leagadh luach nialasach ar thalamh na hInstitiúide ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaithe) agus luacháladh breiseanna talún ina dhiaidh sin ar a gcostas stáiriúil.

Luacháladh foirgnimh ar 1 Eanáir, 1993 (dáta an ordaithe tosaithe) ar bhonn costais dhímheasta athsholáthair agus luacháladh breiseanna ina dhiaidh sin ar a gcostas stáiriúil.

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## 15. INSTITUTE TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Buildings										Fixtures &										Other Assets									
	Land & Buildings		in Course of Construction		Fittings incl. Prefabs		Computer Equipment		Plant & Machinery		Motor Vehicles		Furniture & Equipment		in Course of Construction															
	Total	Buildings	€'000	Buildings	€'000	Construction	€'000	Fittings	€'000	Computer Equipment	€'000	Plant & Machinery	€'000	Motor Vehicles	€'000	Furniture & Equipment	€'000	in Course of Construction	€'000	Other Assets	€'000									
<i>Cost or valuation</i>																														
At 1 September 2013	104,686	89,293		744		1,695		3,204		697		94		8,813		146														
Additions	724		32		116		11		305		0		0		181		79													
Transfers from in course of construction	(12)		53		(65)		0		0		0		0		0		0		0											
Disposals	(138)		0		0		(6)		(106)		0		0		(26)		0													
At 31 August 2014	105,260	89,378		795		1,700		3,403		697		94		8,968		225														
<i>Depreciation</i>																														
At 1 September 2013	36,265	24,331		0		1,534		2,520		520		89		7,271		0														
Charge for year	2,872		1,627		0		32		450		50		4		709		0													
Disposals	(140)		0		0		(6)		(105)		0		0		(29)		0													
At 31 August 2014	38,997	25,958		0		1,560		2,865		570		93		7,951		0														
<i>Net book value</i>																														
At 31 August 2014	66,263	63,420		795		140		538		127		1		1,017		225														
At 1 September 2013	68,421	64,962		744		161		684		177		5		1,542		146														

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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## 16. FÉICHIÚNAITHE AGUS RÉAMHÍOCAÍOCHTAÍ

Nóta	Comhdhlúite		Institiúid	
	2014 €'000	2013 €'000	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit	0	335	0	335
Táillí Neacha Léinn	150	349	150	349
Deontais Choithabhála Neacha Léinn	22	3	4	4
Féichiúnaithe Eile	254	190	227	171
Réamhíocaíochtaí & Ioncam Fabhraithe	412	174	410	171
Deontais Stáit & Deontais Chaipitil Eile	53	41	53	41
Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	386	578	386	578
<i>Iomlán</i>	1,258	1,671	1,229	1,649

## 17. CREIDIÚNAITHE AGUS COSTAIS FHABHRAITHE

Íocaíochtaí a fuarthas roimh ré:

- Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit	35	0	35	0
- Deontais Taighde & Conarthaí	467	861	467	861
- Táillí Neacha Léinn	643	445	643	445
- Cistiú Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn	95	297	95	297
<i>XXXXXXXXXX</i>	20	0	0	0
<i>Creidiúnaithe Trádála agus Fabhraithe</i>		1,240	1,603	1,240
ÍMAT	680	628	675	625
ÁSPC	347	316	342	312
Cáin Ioncaim Choiinnithe	12	10	12	10
Creidiúnaithe Trádála	186	216	179	205
Fabhruithe	1,455	1,614	1,441	1,596
<i>Iomlán</i>		3,920	4,387	3,889
				4,351

## 18. DEONTAIS CHAIPITIL IARCHURTHA

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair	68,421	70,814
Deontais Chaipitil Infhála		
Deontais Chaipitil Stáit – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	209	140
Cionroinnté ón Deontas Athfhillteach Stáit – Údarás um Ard-Oideachas	240	493
Cistiú Caipitil Eile	263	262
	712	895
Scooil d'Ioncam:		
Amúchadh ag teacht le símheas	2,870	3,170
Scooil d'Ioncam re NBV ar Dhiúscairtí	-	3
Díscríobh d'ioncam re Díscríobh sócmhainní i mbun tógála	-	115
	2,870	3,288
Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa	66,263	68,421

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## 16. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Note	Consolidated		Institute	
		2014 €'000	2013 €'000	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
State Recurrent Grant		0	335	0	335
Student Fees		150	349	150	349
Student Maintenance Grants	22	3	4	3	4
Other Debtors		254	190	227	171
Prepayments & Accrued Income		412	174	410	171
State & Other Capital Grant		53	41	53	41
Research Grants & Contracts		386	578	386	578
<i>Total</i>		1,258	1,671	1,229	1,649

## 17. CREDITORS AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

Payments received in advance:

– State Recurrent Grant	35	0	35	0
– Research Grants & Contracts	467	861	467	861
– Student Fees	643	445	643	445
– Student Support Funding	95	297	95	297
Student Maintenance Grants	20	0	0	0
	1,240	1,603	1,240	1,603

*Trade Creditors and Accruals:*

PAYE	680	628	675	625
PRSI	347	316	342	312
Income Tax Withheld	12	10	12	10
Trade Creditors	186	216	179	205
Accruals	1,455	1,614	1,441	1,596
<i>Total</i>	3,920	4,387	3,889	4,351

## 18. DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Balance at 1 September	68,421	70,814
 Capital Grants Receivable :		
State Capital Grants – Higher Education Authority	209	140
Allocated from State Recurrent Grant – Higher Education Authority	240	493
Other Capital Funding	263	262
	712	895
 Release to Income:		
Amortisation in line with depreciation	2,870	3,170
Release to Income re NBV on Disposals	–	3
Release to income re Write down assets in course of construction	–	115
	2,870	3,288
 Balance at 31 August	66,263	68,421

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## 19. CEANGALTAIS LÉASA

Tá na hoibleagáidí seo a leanas ar GMIT faoi léasanna oibriúcháin le linn na bliana i ndiaidh a n-éagann an ceangaltais:

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Laistigh d'aon bliain amháin	257	257
Laistigh de dhá bliain go cúig bliana	0	0
Níos déanaí ná cúig bliana	17	0
<i>Iomlán</i>	<u>274</u>	<u>257</u>

## 20. TEAGMHAIS

Ní raibh aon Dliteanais Theagmhasacha ann.

## 21. CEANGALTAIS CHAIPITIL AR CONRADH ACH GAN BHEITH SOLÁTHRAITHE

Bhí Ceangaltais Chaipitil measta dar luach €141,307 (12/13 €174,891) ann ag deireadh na tréimhse.

## 22. DEONTAIS CHOTHABHÁLA NEACHA LÉINN

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Iarmhéid ar 1 Meán Fómhair	(4)	2
Fáltais ón ÚAO (Rannóg na gColáistí)	776	1,833
Fáltais ón ÚAO (Aonad Tacaíochta Neacha Léinn)	283	662
Íocaíochtaí le Neacha Léinn	(776)	(1,840)
Íocaíochtaí le Neacha Léinn (Breisithe)	(282)	(661)
Iarmhéid ar 31 Lúnasa	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>

Déanann an Institiúid próiseáil ar focaíochtaí le neacha léinn i dtaca le deontais chothabhála a chuireann an CGO nó Údarás Áitiúil 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 íoc i leith neach léinn a chuir tú lena staidéar roimh an dáta sin. 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 LÁNAMEARTHA (FCL) ATÁ FOSTAITHE

	2014	2013
Príomhbhaill Foirne	587	599
Baill Foirne Taighde maoinithe ag an Státhchiste	11	14
Foireann Taighde agus/nó Saineolaí Tionscadal-bhunaithe eile	28	18
Maoinithe ó fhoinsí neamh-Státhchiste	22	21
<i>Iomlán</i>	<u>648</u>	<u>652</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:

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Within one year	257	257
Within two to five years	0	0
Later than five years	17	0
<i>Total</i>	<u>274</u>	<u>257</u>

## 20. CONTINGENCIES

There were no Contingent Liabilities.

## 21. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS CONTRACTED FOR BUT NOT PROVIDED

Estimated Capital Commitments €141,307 (12/13 €174,891) existed at the end of the period.

## 22. STUDENT MAINTENANCE GRANTS

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Balance at 1 September	(4)	2
Receipts from HEA (Colleges Section)	776	1,833
Receipts from HEA (Student Support Unit)	283	662
Payments to Students	(776)	(1,840)
Payments to Students (Top ups)	(282)	(661)
<i>Balance at 31 August</i>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>

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

	2014	2013
Core Staff	587	599
Exchequer Funded Research Staff	11	14
Other Research and/or Specialist Project-based	28	18
Funded from non-Exchequer sources	22	21
<i>Total</i>	<u>648</u>	<u>652</u>

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## 24. CÚLCHISTE CAIPITIL FORBARTHA

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Iarmhéid tosaigh ar 1 Meán Fómhair	9,027	9,232
Aistriú go Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais	(226)	(108)
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Aistriú go Cuntas Caipitil	8,801	9,124
Méid an chiste ar 31 Lúnasa	(67)	(97)
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	8,734	9,027

Is éard atá sa Chúlchiste Caipitil Forbartha ná na méideanna atá curtha ar leataobh as na Táillí a íocann 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 ngnáthchúrsáí gnó, féadfaidh an Institiúid socrutithe 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 noctadh leasanna ag baill an Bhoird agus chloígh an Institiúid leis na gnáthaimh sin le linn na bliana.

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## 27. FOGHNÓTHAIS 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 torthaí na cuideachta comhdhlúite sna Ráitis Airgeadais seo. Cuimsíonn an Cuntas Comhdhlúite Ioncaim & 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 torthaí airgeadais na cuideachta leagtha amach thíos don bhliain dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2014.

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Díolacháin	1,447	1,394
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Costais Foirne	746	759
Tomholtáin & Costais Eile	677	662
Caiteachas Iomlán gan Dímheas san Áireamh	1,423	1,421
Dímheas	5	6
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	1,428	1,427
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Barrachas/(Easnamh) tar éis Dímheasa	19	(33)
Barracthas Carntha Tosaigh ar 1 Meán Fómhair	95	128
Barrachas Carntha ar 31 Lúnasa	114	95

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**24. CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT RESERVE**

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Opening balance at 1 September	9,027	9,232
Transfer to Income & Expenditure Account	(226)	(108)
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Transfer to Capital Account	8,801	9,124
Amount of fund at 31 August	(67)	(97)
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	8,734	9,027

The Capital Development Reserve represents amounts set aside from Student Contribution paid by Students which have been allocated for future Student Facilities.

**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.

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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 2014 as included in the consolidated accounts.

	2014 €'000	2013 €'000
Sales	1,447	1,394
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Staff Costs	746	759
Consumables & Other Expenses	677	662
Total Expenditure excluding Depreciation	1,423	1,421
Depreciation	5	6
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	1,428	1,427
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Surplus/(Deficit) after Depreciation	19	(33)
Opening Accumulated Surplus at 1st Sept	95	128
Accumulated Surplus at 31 August	114	95

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### 28. *GNÓTHAS LEANTACH*

Thabhaigh GMIT easnaimh oibriúcháin i ngach ceann de na blianta dar críoch 31 Lúnasa 2012, 31 Lúnasa 2013 agus 31 Lúnasa 2014. 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, daingneán agus feistí.
- Laghdaíonn an gá le cistíú athfhillteach le haghaidh cuspóirí caipítíl a chionroinnt an t-ioncam atá ar fáil chun gníomhaíochtaí athfhillteacha a chistíú.

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 síntíthe na ráiteas airgeadais.

### 29. *FAOMHADH NA RÁITEAS AIRGEADAS*

D'fhaomh an Bord Rialaithe na Ráitis Airgeadais ar 22 Deireadh Fómhair 2015.

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## **28. GOING CONCERN**

GMIT incurred operating deficits in each of the years ended 31 August 2012, 31 August 2013 and 31 August 2014. 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 reserves to meet projected expenditure for at least twelve months from the signing of the financial statements.

## **29. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Financial Statements were approved by the Governing Body on 22nd October, 2015.









