

SET-M CONFERENCE 2026

Science • Engineering • Technology • Management

South East Technological University, Waterford

Venue: Hotel Tower, Waterford

22-23 October-2026



Innovating Together: Industry–Academia Partnerships in Science, Engineering, Technology and Management



IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission (Extended): **15 Sept 2026**

Acceptance Notification: **30 Sept 2026**

Full Paper Submission: **05 Oct 2026 (optional)**



The 1st International “Science, Engineering, Technology, and Management (SET-M) Conference” on theme “Innovating Together: Industry–Academia Partnerships in Engineering and Science” at SETU, designed to engage **graduate students, postgraduate research scholars, Industrial researchers and faculty members** across disciplines. This conference will serve as a platform to showcase cutting-edge research, stimulate **interdisciplinary collaborations**, and create strong connections between **academia and industry**.

DAY 1 – KNOWLEDGE CREATION	DAY 2 – KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION
Interdisciplinary Research & Scientific Frontiers 💡 Research Translation, Publication & Commercialisation (Industry Expert-Keynote) 🔗 Interdisciplinary Research Frontiers (Keynote) 🔬 Advanced Materials & Additive manufacturing 🏥 Biomedical Engineering and Sensor Technology 🧬 Smart Therapeutics, and Advanced Drug Delivery Systems 🎓 Postgraduate & Early Career Research Excellence (Poster Presentation) 👥 Panel Discussion (Industry-Academia)	Innovation, Industry & Societal Impact 🤖 AI & Intelligent Systems (Guest Lecture) 🌱 Sustainable Science & Engineering (Guest Lecture) 🤝 Industry–Academia Collaboration (Industry Expert-Keynote) 🚀 Innovation, Entrepreneurship & Start-ups (Growth Hub) Workshop: Growth-Hub (Entrepreneurial mindset development for researchers)

Key Highlights 🎤 Keynote Lectures by leading European and international experts 📄 Oral and poster Presentations 🔬 Industry & Research Showcases 🗣️ Panel Discussions on research, innovation, and policy 📊 Workshops 🤝 Industry–Academia Networking Sessions 🎓 Postgraduate & Early Career Researcher Forum Important information: Conference Website: https://www.setu.ie/events/set-m-conference-2026 Abstract Submission: SETM.2026@setu.ie (All abstract must be emailed on or before 15 Sept 2026)	Registration SETU Faculty, Staff and Students: Free External Participants, Registration Fee: €60 (Includes access to all conference lectures, keynote sessions, panel discussions, poster sessions, and workshops over the two conference days.) Conference Dinner and Catering The Conference Dinner (22 October 2026) and lunch on both conference days are not included in the registration fee. External attendees (except SETU students and staff) who wish to avail of these catering options will be required to pay for the lunch (€15 per day) separately. ⚠️ Please Note: Details of the catering charges, payment link, and registration portal is available on the conference website.
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Attendees Faculty and Researchers Postgraduate Scholars Graduate Students aspiring for PhD and research careers Industry Professionals and R&D Leaders, Entrepreneurs, Innovators, and Policy Makers Collaborating Universities and Research Institutes	Conference Chair Dr. Bhaskar Murari Department of Engineering Technology, SETU Waterford. Email: SETM.2026@setu.ie Contact: Ms Annette Kelly (Secretary) Annette.kelly@setu.ie	Organizing Committee Dr. Margaret Tynan Dr. Rupal Srivastava Dr. Sweta Rani Dr. Shubhavardhan N Dr. Ondrej Kucera Dr. Mutaj Khairi Dr. Md. Gismalla For all general enquire: Please email SETM.2026@setu.ie	Advisory Members Dr. Marie Claire , VPRII, SETU Dr. Ken Thomas Head, School of Engineering Dr. Mary Doyle-Kent Head, Dept. Eng. Tech. SETU, Waterford Dr. Ramesh R Director, SEAM Dr. Sinead O Halloran , Head Dept. of Science, SETU Waterford
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500-WORD ABSTRACT TEMPLATE

Theme: Innovating Together: Industry–Academia Partnerships in Engineering and Science

TITLE

[Insert a concise, specific, and engaging title describing the research/project]

AUTHORS

[Author Name¹, Author Name², Author Name³]

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[Corresponding author: email address]

ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT

[Approximately 80 words]

Introduce the research area, problem, industrial or societal challenge being addressed, and explain why the topic is important. Where appropriate, establish its relevance to engineering, science, technology, sustainability, healthcare, innovation, or industry.

AIM/OBJECTIVES

[Approximately 50 words]

Clearly state the overall aim of the work and, where appropriate, two or three specific objectives.

METHODS/APPROACH

[Approximately 120 words]

Describe the methodology, experimental approach, computational methods, design process, data collection, modelling, prototyping, or other techniques used. Include sufficient technical detail to demonstrate the scientific or engineering basis of the work.

RESULTS/OUTCOMES

[Approximately 130 words]

Present the principal findings, outcomes, or achievements. Where possible, include quantitative results, performance improvements, comparisons, validation data, or other measurable outcomes. For ongoing work, clearly identify preliminary or expected outcomes.

INDUSTRY–ACADEMIA COLLABORATION/IMPACT (NOT MANDATORY)

[Approximately 70 words]

Explain how the work contributes to innovation, commercialisation, workforce development, or solving a real-world problem industry–academia collaboration, knowledge transfer. Highlight practical relevance and potential impact.

CONCLUSION

[Approximately 50 words]

Summarise the key contribution and significance of the work. Mention potential applications, future developments, or opportunities for further collaboration.

KEYWORDS

[Provide 3–6 keywords, e.g., Innovation; Industry–Academia Collaboration; Sustainable Engineering; Artificial Intelligence; Biomedical Engineering; Advanced Materials]

SUGGESTED WORD ALLOCATION

Section	Approx. Words
Background/Context	80
Aim/Objectives	50
Methods/Approach	120
Results/Outcomes	130
Industry–Academia Collaboration/Impact	70
Conclusion	50
Total	≈500

GUIDANCE FOR SET-M 2026

Abstracts should emphasise real-world impact, industry relevance, innovation, collaboration, and potential for knowledge transfer, while clearly communicating the scientific or engineering contribution. Where relevant, identify the industry partner, practical challenge, technology, application, or pathway to impact.