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**Spotlight: Research and Innovation** 

**The Technology Transfer Office (TTO)** 

Following review, policies relating to IP, Conflict of Interest, and Conflict of Commitment have all been approved in principle by the Joint Executive and are awaiting final consultation from Union stakeholders. Once finalised, there will be a series of webinars in early May for staff information. Watch this space for calendar invites.

#### **Graduate Studies**

A unified set of regulations and code of practice to govern Graduate Studies have been developed in consultation with both staff and students and these have been subject to favourable external review. Following presentation at Research Committees for discussion and review, it is intended to present these documents to the Joint Academic Council. Plans are in train to develop training and information sessions for all stakeholders before becoming operational in advance of the new academic year.

Elsewhere within the Graduate Studies Office (GSO) plans for a GSO-Student Liaison Group have been approved and this will be operational in May 2022. It is envisaged that this group will foster development of a multi-campus graduate student cohort. Later in the year plans will be unveiled that incorporate multi-campus initiatives around researcher career development and academic and social events.

## **Research Continuity**

A position paper and proposal on the structure and oversight of the SETU research ethics committee (ERC) produced by the domain has been approved by the Joint Executive. This alignment of the oversight structures will provide capacity for the SETU ERC to meet researcher demand as our research activity continues to grow.

The SETU ERC will begin activity in May and continue to refine their own structure and operations over the May-September period.

Several other research support policies, e.g. data management guidance, have been drafted within the domain working groups and are undergoing union consultation before presentation to the Joint Executive.

Interested in hearing more about the recently launched PURE platform? Be sure to join the R&I Domain webinar to hear more.

The Research & Innovation Domain will be speaking at the next all staff Webinar, which is taking place tomorrow, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 12 noon.

**SETU Countdown** 

7

days until establishment!





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## **News from across the SETU programme**

#### **Integrated Programmes**

- Official SETU social media accounts are now live and searchable. Colleagues are encouraged to follow @setuireland
- The new SETU website (www.setu.ie) will launch on 1st May 2022.
- Brand toolkit for staff and students available for download at www.setu.ie from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022.
- All staff training webinars taking place this week and next: 27<sup>th</sup> April (Communications tone of voice and style guide), 28<sup>th</sup> April (Brand guidelines), 4<sup>th</sup> May (Social media best practice). Check your email for links, access codes and more information.

### **Corporate Affairs**

- Minister Harris signed the order to dissolve IT Carlow and Waterford IT to establish South East Technological University from 1st May.
- Office365 build for Establishment Day is in the final stages.
- Following Establishment Day, all staff users will be assigned firstname.lastname@setu.ie as their <u>default</u> email address. They will continue to be able to receive emails to their <u>existing</u> @itcarlow.ie and @wit.ie email addresses.
- A Letter of Transfer has been issued to each member of staff which outlines that the Terms and Conditions of contracts of employment will transfer to SETU on 1st May. A supporting FAQ has also been issued on the website and can be found here.

### **Academic & Student**

- Student information hubs are available on our websites: Waterford Institute of Technology can be found here and Institute of Technology Carlow can be found here.
- Design of SETU student ID card finalised.

Access commonly asked questions using the following link.

Access previous newsletters using the following link.

#### Webinar

A further all staff webinar is scheduled for 12:00 tomorrow, 26<sup>th</sup> April.

If you missed the last all staff Webinar from 8<sup>th</sup> April, you can watch the recording here.



For more information on the above or to share any ideas or concerns, please contact the SETU Programme Management Office at SETUpmo@ie.gt.com