

# **QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER Q3** 2014

Welcome to the latest edition of the information sharing newsletter from the Maynooth University Commercialisation Office. Our goal is to share relevant market news and activities on the commercialisation of Maynooth University research. We hope you enjoy this newsletter. For more information visit: **maynoothuniversity.ie/commercialisation** 

#### **BUSINESS INCUBATION CENTRE AT MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY**

**MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY UPDATE** 

# MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY BUSINESS INCUBATION CENTRE

## **OPEN JULY 2015**



photo: Business Incubation Centre at Maynooth University (artist's impression)

The Maynooth University Business Incubation Centre (BIC) is due to open in July 2015 on North Campus.

The BIC's offices and wet lab spaces are embedded in the new ICT hub which will also host the University's leading ICT related research institutes (e.g. Innovation Value Institute).

With a rich mix of 17 office spaces (ranging from  $18m_2$  to  $54m_2$ ), 14 hot desks, wet labs, meeting rooms and networking spaces in an ultra modern setting the BIC will provide a dynamic environment for any early stage enterprise.

It is an exciting venture for Maynooth University which will help further embed the business culture developed by the Commercialisation Office. We are looking forward to providing continued support to the Universities spinout companies in addition to start-ups and early stage companies from the region.

We are now accepting expressions of interest from potential BIC clients.

Any interest should be directed to Owen Laverty at commercialisation@nuim.ie

**Business Incubation Centre Floorplan...** 

To stay abreast of developments in the biotech arena our Commercialisation Executive Dr Paul Tyndall, a specialist in this space, takes in a global conference every other year. In July this year Paul attended the **Technology Transfer Global Initiative Summit (TTS)** in Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, USA.

The TTS Global Initiative was launched in 2007, emerging out of a working group of the heads of the leading trade lobbies and associations in Europe for Biotechnology, Pharma, Bio Industry, and Venture Capital, along with key European institutions, all of which sought to undertake a new initiative to foster the more efficient translation of leading biotech and healthcare sector research to the market and to patients.

The TTS Global Initiative is the key platform and think tank focusing directly on dialogue, partnering, licensing and technology transfer between public sector biotech research TTOs, early stage start-ups, SMEs and senior industry licensing and business development executives, patient organisations and other key stakeholders.

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#### **BUSINESS MEETS EDUCATION**

#### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

North Kildare Chamber and Maynooth University co-hosted a "Business meets Education" event in September. The North Kildare Chamber is the largest business organisation in Kildare representing in excess of 300 businesses. The Chamber, led by Allan Shine CEO, is on the ground engaging with business members on a daily basis to help assist business, open doors, promote and advise business.

This event provided the opportunity for local SMEs to come into the University to meet with knowledge transfer professionals and researchers, to ask guestions and to see what the University has to offer their business that may help further develop and improve their competitiveness in the marketplace. This type of event is the first step in opening up the University for successful engagment with the business community.

After the morning session some of the guests enjoyed a guided tour of the North and South campus ending in the University's new state of the art library.



Photo: North Kildare Chamber members taking a tour of the John Paul II Library in Maynooth University

### **Business Meets Education Guest Speakers/Agenda**

#### **COMMENTS + QUESTIONS**







