



**Oifig an Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna**  
Office of the Minister for Education and Skills

Professor Tom Collins,  
Chair,  
Governing Bodies of ITT, DIT, ITB

11<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Re: TU4Dublin – Application for designation as a technological university**

Dear Professor Collins,

I refer to the application of 27 April 2018 made on behalf of Dublin Institute of Technology, IT Blanchardstown and IT Tallaght under section 29 of the Technological Universities Act 2018.

Following consideration of the advisory panel's report and the views of the HEA, and having regard to the threshold criteria established in Section 34 of the Act, I am satisfied that the TU4Dublin application has met the eligibility criteria and will deliver a greater opportunity to students in the regions served, to staff working in the institutions, and to the broader local economy and society. The TU4Dublin proposal has demonstrated the consortium's preparedness and capacity to function as a new technological university.

I am therefore pleased to inform you that on the basis of the foregoing and in light of the assessment that the application meets the eligibility criteria and other requirements set out in the Technological Universities Act, 2018 my proposed decision is to grant the TU4Dublin application for designation as a technological university.

As provided for in Section 34(3) of the Technological Universities Act 2018, I now invite you to make any representations in relation to my proposed decision not later than 30 days of receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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Richard Bruton T.D.,  
Minister for Education and Skills

