

Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta na Sionainne: Lár Tíre Iarthar Láir Technological University of the Shannon: Midlands Midwest

## PROTECTED DISCLOSURE ANNUAL REPORT 2024

Section 22 (5) of the Protected Disclosure Act 2014 (Revised) requires that a public body shall prepare and publish, not later than 31<sup>st</sup> March each year, a report in respect of the immediately preceding calendar year. The report must contain the following:

- 1. a statement confirming that the public body has in place either or both of the following:
  - o internal reporting channels and procedures;
  - o external reporting channels and procedures,
- 2. the information provided by TUS to the Minister under Section 22 (1) (a-k) of the Act
- 1. The University has internal reporting channels in place for the reporting of protected Disclosures. The TUS Policy and Procedure on the reporting of Protected Disclosures outlines in detail the internal and external reporting channels available to individuals.
  - TUS also has a confidential email, <u>disclosures@tus.ie</u>, which can be used to submit an enquiry or a disclosure.
- 2. The following information was provided by TUS to the Minister of Higher Education & Research & Innovation & Science, on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

No.	Report Requirement	TUS Response
1	No. of reports made to TUS in 2024	1
2	No. of reports submitted by the Commissioner to TUS in 2023	0
3	In the case of each report – whether the relevant wrongdoing was a breach	n/a
4	The number of investigations or proceedings opened in relation to the relevant wrongdoing in the years preceding the year the report was made	1
5	The number of investigations or proceedings in relation to the relevant wrongdoing that remain open	0
6	The number of investigations or proceedings in relation to the relevant wrongdoing that were closed by TUS	1
7	In relation to each closed investigation or proceeding:  1. The outcome of the investigation or proceeding  2. Decision taken by TUS	Referred to other internal TUS Policies.

	<ol><li>Estimated financial damage and amounts recovered</li></ol>	
	following any investigation or proceeding referred.	
8	Other information requested by the Minister	n/a