

TUS RISE SEMESTER NEWSLETTER

We're delighted to welcome you back to the TUS RISE Research Newsletter. Published three times a year; it is designed to inform, inspire, and support you on your research journey.

Each edition will bring you insightful educational pieces, updates on how to engage with the research support services, news, events, current research projects and future funding initiatives.

We're here to support you on your research journey.

Supporting Innovation and Commercialisation at TUS

Within the TUS research ecosystem, the Knowledge Transfer and Commercialisation Office (KTCO) plays a key role in supporting the transfer of knowledge and identifying opportunities to protect, develop and commercialise intellectual property (IP) arising from research across TUS. The KTCO supports researchers and industry across a broad range of activities, including:

- IP management and ownership
- Technology transfer and licensing
- Consultancy and industry engagement
- Spin-out development
- Innovation vouchers

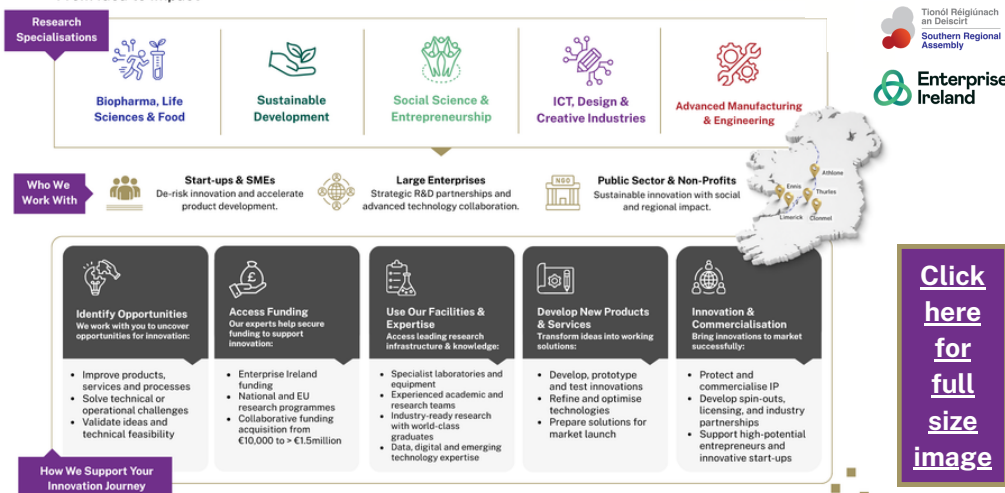
The KTCO helps translate TUS research and expertise into real-world impact, supporting innovation and contributing to regional economic development. Activities align closely with TUS's four campus incubators, as well as the two Enterprise Ireland New Frontiers programmes based in the Midlands and Midwest.

Together, these supports play an important role in TUS's wider enterprise and innovation ecosystem, helping researchers, entrepreneurs and businesses develop ideas, create new opportunities and bring innovative solutions to market. Interested in learning more? Contact KTCO@tus.ie

TUS's Knowledge Transfer and Commercialisation Office is co-funded by the Government of Ireland and the European Union through the ERDF Southern, Eastern & Midland Regional Programme 2021-2027.

Partner with TUS Research, Development & Innovation.

From Idea to Impact



Pictured: TUS Student Inc. participants in Cork

TUS students achieved new heights with Student Inc. program

Student Inc., Ireland's longest-running student accelerator programme, welcomed 13 TUS students across three campuses to its 2026 national cohort. With a €4,000 stipend, students spent the summer developing business ideas, supported by expert mentoring and opportunities to pitch to angel investors, culminating in a showcase in Cork on 21 August. Among the TUS cohort, there were 2 Best Poster winners, 4 pitch finalists, 2 New Frontiers participants and 3 companies in trading. Follow more of their journey on [TUS Innovates LinkedIn](#).

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NEWS & EVENTS



If you would like to submit your news story or event to our winter newsletter - please contact: Research@tus.ie

TUS to Host Europe's Flagship Week of Innovative Regions in Europe Conference as part of Ireland's EU Presidency

WIRE 2026 will take place on December 2nd and 3rd, 2026 at TUS, Millennium Theatre, Moylish Campus, Limerick. Under the theme "Future Regions: The Role of Sustainable Innovation in European Competitiveness," [READ MORE](#)



Launch of WIRE 2026

RISE Midwest

The core ethos of RISE Midwest was to create meaningful partnerships where industry and academic and share knowledge, experience and resources to address challenges, develop new solutions and identify opportunities for growth.

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Industry pannelists pictured during RISE Midwest

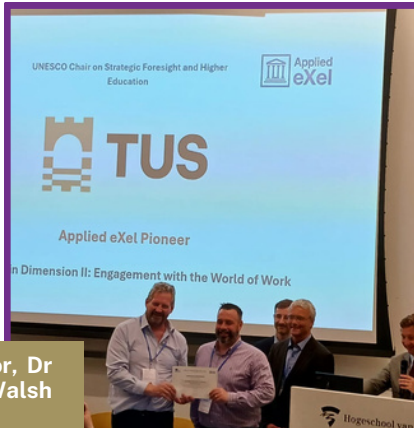
RUN-EU European Degree Label - Funding Success

RUN-EU was delighted to receive notification that our application for the Partnerships for Excellence: European Universities – European Degree exploratory action was successful. This project, worth €1m to the consortium, will develop innovative joint degree programmes across the alliance. We welcome two non-RUN-EU partners to this project; Zittau Görlitz University of Applied Sciences and Université Rennes-II.

Pictured: Panel Speakers RUN-EU Day 2025



Pictured L-R: Yvonne Doyle, Dr Marie Taylor, Dr Christopher Dwyer, Dr Liam Brown & Lorna Walsh during the 35th EURASHE Annual Conference



EURASHE Success!

Dr Liam Brown and Dr Christopher Dwyer pictured accepting the Applied eXel pioneer award on behalf of TUS during the 35th EURASHE Conference. [Applied eXel](#) is an assessment framework designed to measure and recognise excellence specifically in practice-based and applied higher education.

Dr Emer O'Neil Named Ireland's Best Young Talent

Awarded by the All Island Bioeconomy Summit 2026, Dr O'Neil was recognised for her research into integrated agriculture systems on peatlands, alongside her engagement with schools, industry and policymakers. Judges highlighted both her academic contributions and her role in promoting wider awareness of the sector.



Pictured: industry, research and LEO collaborators during recent Innovation Pathways to Impact Event - [READ MORE](#)



Dr O'Neil pictured with Timmy Dooley, TD, Minister of State and Colette Shirley, Director of Sustainability - Bank of Ireland

Minding the Gap: Less squabbles, more tranquillity...and happy neighbours!

Farming is not just about saving hay; it's also about fostering harmony with nature, family, neighbours and community. Whether it's cattle in a neighbour's lawn, making silage at dawn or bickering over inheritance, conflict emerges in ways that are emotionally charged, economically significant, and socially complex. Mary Flanagan, a PhD researcher under the supervision of Dr. Catríona Murphy and Dr. Geraldine Maughan, is exploring mediation as a conflict-resolution tool within Irish agriculture, highlighting how disputes can be navigated with clarity and fairness through facilitated dialogue. A particularly compelling dimension of this transformative work explores how climate adaptation and tourism are addressed, particularly where their intersecting pressures can unintentionally spark tension within rural communities.

PhD student Mary Flanagan pictured during the Conference of Irish Geographers in May



New Study Finds 63% of Irish Single Women Highly Satisfied, yet 84% of Single Mothers Have No Support with Parenting. [READ MORE](#)



Pictured: Rural Exchange Attendees

Rural Exchange

Hosted in partnership with TUS RISE, AgriNext and SETU, Rural Exchange featured real-world insights and experiences from local businesses across a variety of sectors, including farm diversification, wellness, and social entrepreneurship. Attendees heard firsthand how businesses are adapting, evolving, and identifying new opportunities in an ever-changing environment. [READ MORE](#)



ICARUS 2026

This year's conference Reimagining Innovation and Collaboration in Uncertainty: Invention, Impact and RUN-EU will explore the importance of imagination, creativity, innovation, collaboration and impact across RUN-EU and beyond. Led by Dr Lisa Moran, Head of the Graduate School [READ MORE](#)



Over half of young female athletes report experiencing pelvic floor dysfunction, according to new research from SHE Research Group. [READ MORE](#)

Upcoming Events - September to December

As we begin the new academic year, please find details below of events that may be of interest to you.

RUN-EU: Innovation Meets Regions, Moylish
1 - 3 December [READ MORE](#)

TUS @ The National Ploughing Championships 15-17 September.
Co. Offaly. Stand 209, Row 11. Block 4

Global Polymer Sustainability & Innovation Summit
28 - 30 October
Athlone
[READ MORE](#)

TUS Alumni Partners Golf Classic Athlone & Limerick
Friday 11 September - Athlone
Friday 25 September - Limerick
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RUN-EU Day
Thursday, 22nd
October, Athlone
Campus

Global Bioeconomy Summit
19 - 22 October, Dublin
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



HIGHLIGHTS...

Stay informed about grants, scholarships, and collaborative funding initiatives from TUS, leading national and international organisations. Whether you're seeking resources to advance your research or looking to build strategic partnerships, this page offers valuable insights to help you secure the support you need. Explore featured opportunities and unlock new possibilities for success. If you have any queries or would like to submit an application, please fill in the [EOI for TUS Research Proposal Submission](#).

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Advanced Manufacturing & Engineering

- [Horizon Europe Cluster 4 – HORIZON-CL4-2027-01](#)
- [Circular Bio-based Europe Joint Undertaking \(CBE JU\) - HORIZON-JU-CBE-2026](#)

- [Investments Strand 2a – I3-2026-INV2a](#)
- [Clean Energy Transition Partnership – Joint Call 2026](#)
- [Horizon Europe Cluster 5 – Climate, Energy and Mobility](#)
- [Horizon Europe Cluster 6 – HORIZON-CL6-2026-01](#)
- [New European Bauhaus Facility 2026](#)

Sustainable Development

ICT, Design & Creative Industries

- [Horizon Europe Cluster 6 – HORIZON-CL6-2026-01](#)
- [DIGITAL-2026-SKILLS-10: Advanced Digital Skills for AI Uptake in Health](#)
- [Circular Bio-based Europe Joint Undertaking \(CBE JU\) - HORIZON-JU-CBE-2026](#)

- [Perform Europe 2026–2028](#)
- [HORIZON-CL3-2026-02-CS-ECCC](#)
- [Digital Europe Programme \(DIGITAL\)](#)
- [Horizon Europe Cluster 2 – Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society](#)

Biopharma, Life Sciences & Food

Social Sciences & Entrepreneurship

- [Co-funded European Partnership for Social Transformations and Resilience](#)
- [Horizon Europe Cluster 2 – HORIZON-CL2-2026-01](#)



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