**TERMS & CONDITIONS**

Congratulations on being offered a place on the Cork Institute of Technology (CIT) Rísam PhD Scholarship Programme 2017. Successful candidates will be known as a Cork Institute of Technology Rísam Scholar. The Irish word Rísam, meaning "to strive or achieve" underlines the purpose of this scholarship programme which is to promote high-end research directed towards the generation and application of new knowledge. The Rísam Scholarships are offered on a competitive basis for research proposals that are aligned with CIT’s Research Prioritisation areas, and are awarded subject to the following conditions:

**Conditions:**

* Applicants must register as a full-time postgraduate research student of CIT.
* Students must be registered on the CIT doctoral register.
* Applicants must not be in receipt of another grant or significant source of income over the period of the scholarship.
* Student will be required to complete a Revenue Commissioner’s “Scholarship Exemption Declaration” to avail of an exemption from income tax on the scholarship payments. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure they remain compliant with the terms of this tax exemption.
* The research will normally be conducted in CIT. In exceptional circumstances, the research may be conducted in full or in part at an external research facility, subject to prior approval.
* Registration Date is September 2017. Registration at a later date is only by prior consent of the Dean of Graduate Studies.
* All equipment or other property purchased using *Rísam* Scholarship funds is the property of CIT.

**Value of Scholarship:**

* A number of full scholarships are being awarded in 2017 for a period of up to three years, subject to satisfactory progress assessed through successful completion of the annual assessment report. The scholarship comprises maintenance (€12000) +fee (€4,455) + travel and other minor expenses (up to €2000 subject to budget availability).
* Scholars will be required to sign a contract which details the terms and conditions of the scholarship.
* Scholars will be required to undertake teaching of up to 3 hours per week during term. No remuneration will apply to these hours.
* Students doing additional paid work will do so only if this has been approved by their supervisory team and that this workload is consistent with Institute norms and guidelines. Student whilst paid via the payroll are *defacto* *employees for tax purposes*, however they are not considered *staff* of the Institute and will not be issued with staff email address or access to staff facilities.  Any employment is conditional on being a fully registered student and maintaining that registration.  When a student graduates or leaves the Institute any associated employment is co-terminus and any re-engagements is subject to normal external recruitment criteria.
* All scholarship holders are obliged to conform to the CIT general "Student Regulations” and to the "Regulations for Postgraduate research Study".