President's Fujitsu Award for Innovation 2013

One of the six core strategic objectives in DCU's new Strategic Plan ('Transforming Lives and Societies") is 'to drive social and economic progress by translating knowledge into action'.

DCU is committed to fostering a culture of innovation in the University through encouragement, recognition of achievements and the establishment of annual President's Awards for Innovation for both students and staff.

Innovation has many definitions and we like to use the following:

"Innovation is the successful translation of knowledge and ideas into a beneficial impact, which may be economic or for the public good (social innovation); the resultant benefit may be new or improved processes, services or products'

We would like to encourage staff and students to apply for this Innovation Award.

AWARD CATEGORIES

We plan to make awards in the following 3 categories.

The winner of each award will receive a cheque to the value of €2,500 and a trophy

- **Award for Innovation - Students: -** This award if for a new service, business process or product (conceived by one or more DCU students) that is making (or is judged to have potential to make) a significant difference in a non-academic context (e.g social, economic, clinical).

- **Award for Innovation - Administrative and Support Staff: -** This award is for a new, or significantly enhanced, process or method which was conceived and adopted internally at DCU and which led to a tangible and demonstrable benefit to DCU.

- **Award for Innovation - Academic and Research Staff: -** Two areas, but only one award for A) A product or process based substantially on research carried out at DCU with significant utility (clinical, economic, social or industrial) and which (ideally) has been endorsed externally as representing a valuable contribution to the field.

  Or B) The implementation of a new teaching and learning method (conceived and developed substantially at DCU) which enhances the student learning experience (supporting evidence required).

[Click here](#) for an Application Form.

The closing date for applications is 3rd May at 5pm.