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Office of the Minister for Education and Skills

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5th April 2019

Dear Mr. O'Toole,

I have been requested by the Minister for Education and Skills, Mr. Joe McHugh, T.D. to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 29 March in which you nominated persons to serve on the international panel to assess an application for Technological University status from the MTU consortium comprising Cork Institute of Technology and Institute of Technology Tralee. The Minister has asked me to notify the Higher Education Authority that the following persons will be appointed to the advisory panel for the application from the MTU consortium, received on 12 February 2019 under Section 29 of the Technological Universities Act 2018 (No. 3 of 2018).

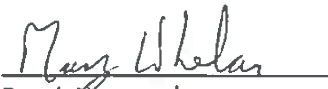
Panel Appointments

- Professor Jean-Pierre Finance
- Professor Jon Haakstad
- Dr. Mary Ellen Petrisko
- Dr. Andrée Sursock

The Minister, hereby, requests the Higher Education Authority to duly notify the persons in question of their appointment to the panel, and, in conjunction with the Qualifications and Quality Assurance Authority of Ireland, as appropriate, to facilitate the establishment and work of the advisory panel such that it shall furnish its report to the Higher Education Authority under Section 32 of the 2018 Act.

The Minister has asked me to thank the Authority both for its assistance to date and going forward in relation to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

PP 
Derek Newcombe,
Private Secretary.