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1.1 The Higher Education Authority (HEA)

The Higher Education Authority (HEA) was set up on an *ad hoc* basis in 1968 and was given statutory powers in Acht an tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas, 1971 (The Higher Education Authority Act 1971).

The HEA's principal functions are:

- To further the development of higher education
- To maintain a continuous review of the demand and need for higher education
- To assist in the co-ordination of state investment in higher education and to prepare proposals for such investment
- To review proposals from Universities and designated institutions for capital and recurrent funding
- To allocate among the institutions the grants voted by the Oireachtas
- To promote an appreciation of the value of higher education and research
- To promote the attainment of equality of opportunity in higher education and the democratisation of its structures.

At present eleven higher education institutions are designated institutions of the HEA: the seven universities: University College Dublin (UCD), Trinity College Dublin (TCD), University College Cork (UCC), National University of Ireland Galway (NUIG), National University of Ireland Maynooth (NUIM), University of Limerick (UL), and Dublin City University (DCU); the National College of Art and Design (NCAD); the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI); the Higher Education and Training Awards Council (HETAC); and the Royal Irish Academy (RIA). It is the policy of the Minister for Education and Science to extend the remit of the HEA to the Institutes of Technology at an early opportunity.

1.2 Structure of Report

The schedule to the Higher Education Authority Act 1971 states that: “An tÚdarás (the Authority) shall, at the end of each quinquennium or at such time or times as the Minister may direct, make a Report to the Minister of its proceedings under this Act during the preceding quinquennium or during whatever other period the Minister may appoint.”

The report is in three parts. **Part One** describes the activities carried out by the HEA in the calendar years 2002, 2003, and 2004, set out under headings that correspond to the Authority's administrative structure. **Part Two** deals with the accounts in each of the three years in question and **Part Three** presents a range of student statistical information in relation to the eleven higher education teaching institutions funded by the HEA.

1.1 An tÚdarás um Ardoideachas (ÚAO)

Bunaíodh an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas (ÚAO) ar bhonn *ad hoc* i 1968 agus tugadh cumhachtaí reachtúla dó in Acht an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas, 1971.

Is iad príomhfheidhmeanna an ÚAO ná:

- Forbairt an ardoideachais a chur chun cinn
- Athbhreithniú leanúnach a dhéanamh ar an éileamh agus an riachtanas atá le hardoideachas
- Cabhrú le comhordú a dhéanamh ar infheistíocht an stáit san ardoideachas agus moltaí a ullmhú dá leithéid d'infheistíocht
- Athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar mholtaí ó Ollscoileanna agus institiúidí ainmnithe do chistiúchán caipitil agus athfhillteach
- Na deontais ar vótáil an tOireachtas orthu a leithdháileadh ar na hinstitiúidí
- Tuiscint do luach an ardoideachais agus na taighde a chur chun cinn
- Comhionannas deise san ardoideachas agus daonlathú a struchtúr a chur chun cinn.

Faoi láthair tá aon institiúid déag ardoideachais ainmnithe mar institiúidí an ÚAO: na seacht n-ollscoil: Coláiste na hOllscoile Baile Átha Cliath (COBÁC), Coláiste na Tríonóide Baile Átha Cliath (CTBÁC), An Coláiste Ollscoile Corcaigh (COC), Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Gaillimh (ONÉG), Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Máigh Nuad (ONÉMN), Ollscoil Luimnigh (OL), agus Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath (OCBÁC); An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha (CNED); Coláiste Ríoga na Máinlia in Éirinn (CRMÉ); Comhairle na gCáiliúchán Ardoideachais agus Oiliúna (CCAO); Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann (ARÉ). Is é polasaí an Aire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta é téarmaí tagartha an ÚAO a leathadh go dtí na hInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta a luaithe agus is féidir é.

1.2 Struchtúr na Tuarascála

Deirtear sa sceideal atá le hAcht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas 1971 : “Tabharfaidh an tÚdarás Tuarascáil don Aire, ag deireadh gach cúig bliana comhleanúnacha nó ag cibé am nó amanna is mian leis an Aire, ar a imeachtaí faoin Acht seo i rith na cúig bliana comhleanúnacha roimhe sin nó i rith aon tréimhse eile a cheapann an tAire.”

Tá trí chuid sa tuarascáil. Déantar cur síos i **gCuid a hAon** ar ghníomhaíochtaí an ÚAO sna blianta 2002, 2003 agus 2004, leagtha amach faoi cheannteidil a thagann le struchtúr riaracháin an Údaráis. Déileáileann **Cuid a Dó** leis na cuntais i ngach ceann de na trí bliana atá i gceist agus tugtar réimse eolais staitisticíúil ar mhic léinn i **gCuid a Trí** maidir leis na haon institiúid déag múinteoireachta ardoideachais atá cistithe ag an ÚAO.

2 Funding-Recurrent Grants

The annual financial allocation to institutions provides for:

- The core grant for teaching, research and associated costs
- Grant in lieu of undergraduate tuition fees
- Funding for the Strategic Initiatives
- The cost of increased intake of students in particular skills areas
- Quality Assurance/Training of Trainers and
- Other Programmes

In the period under review the total annual financial allocation increased from €594.7m in 2002 to €630.5m in 2004, an increase of 6%. The Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland received a financial allocation from the HEA for the first time in 2002 and Mater Dei Institute, also for the first time, in 2003. A full breakdown of the grant allocations for each institution is given below.

Table A Recurrent Grant -Outturn 2002, 2003 and 2004				
	2002	2003	2004	% Change 2002-2004
*Total Recurrent Provision	594,742,000	628,775,000	630,549,000	6%
Grant in Lieu of Fees	178,627,000	185,714,000	195,000,000	9.2%
Recurrent Grant	416,115,000	443,061,000	435,549,000	4.7%
*Strategic Initiatives	13,240,000	11,434,000	11,034,354	-16.7%
Increased Intake	25,770,000	26,085,400	27,243,000	5.7%
Quality Assurance/ Training of Trainers	3,089,000	3,089,000	3,089,000	0.0%
Other Programmes	17,928,057	11,474,758	2,590,959	-85.5%
Core Grant	356,087,943	392,997,842	393,611,687	10.5%
* 2002 Figure Includes Amount Available/ Committed from 2001				

2 Cistiúchán-Deontais Athfillteacha

Soláthraíonn an leithdháileadh airgeadais bhliantúil do:

- An croídheontas do mhúinteoireacht, taighde agus na costais a bhaineann leo
- Deontas in ionad táillí teagaisc fochéime
- Cistiúchán do na Tionscnaimh Straitéiseacha
- An costas a bhaineann le méadú ar iontógáil mac léinn i réimsí áirithe scile
- Dearbhú Cáilíochta/Oiliúna na nOiliúnóirí agus
- Cláir eile

Sa tréimhse atá faoi athbhreithniú tháinig méadú ar iomlán an leithdháilte bliantúil airgeadais ó €594.7m i 2002 go €630.5m i 2004, méadú de 6%. Fuair Coláiste Ríoga na Máinlia in Éirinn leithdháileadh airgeadais ón ÚAO den chéad uair i 2002 agus Institiúid Mater Dei, den chéad uair freisin, i 2003. Tugtar miondealú iomlán thíos ar na leithdháiltí deontas ar gach institiúid.

Tábla A Táirgeachta na nDeontas Athfillteacha 2002, 2003 agus 2004				
	2002	2003	2004	% Athraithe 2002-2004
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Dearbhú Cáilíochta/Oiliúna na nOiliúnóirí	3,089,000	3,089,000	3,089,000	0.0%
Cláir eile	17,928,057	11,474,758	2,590,959	-85.5%
Croídheontas	356,087,943	392,997,842	393,611,687	10.5%
* Áirítear i bhFigiúr 2002 an Méid ar Fáil/ Tiomanta ó 2001				

2.1 Core Grant

HEA institutions received approximately a 10% increase in core funding in **2002**. This was adequate to meet the significant, inescapable pay and non-pay costs arising. The HEA was informed by the Department of Education and Science in August 2002 that the core grant, which had already been allocated to the HEA institutions, would be reduced. This was a result of the student service charge being increased by €250 over and above the normal increase. Exchequer grants to HEA institutions in 2002 were reduced to take account of the additional income generated. The intended effect was to be neutral as regards funding.

The Book of Estimates published in November 2002 indicated a worsening recurrent grant position for HEA institutions for 2003. The 2003 recurrent grant was approximately €27m short of that required to meet inescapable pay and non-pay costs and necessitated the implementation of pay and non-pay savings across the sector. At that time, the Chief Executive of the HEA wrote to all institutions advising them that all expenditure items should be reviewed with a view to effecting economies across all areas of activity in 2003.

The 2004 Recurrent Grant was circa €50m short of that required to meet inescapable pay and non-pay increases. This included significant pay costs that arose in 2004 due to agreed national and special pay agreements (e.g. Sustaining Progress, Benchmarking).

The seriousness of the funding position for 2004 prompted the HEA to undertake an in-depth review of the overall financial position of each institution, including level of debt, assets, reserves and financial position of pension funds. The report of the review - *Financial Review of Irish Universities* - was published in June 2004 and counters, to quote the report “*a perception that this disproportionate reduction in funding for the university sector could be absorbed from reserves made available to them*”. All institutions implemented significant cutbacks in their pay and non-pay expenditure in 2004: **Pay** - freezing of posts, delays in filling posts, cutbacks in occasional staff, detailed reviews of level and grade of any replacement staff resulting from retirements, replacement of junior lecturers with teaching assistants, non-renewal of contracts; **Non-Pay** - significant cuts in departmental non-pay budgets, cutbacks in library areas (e.g. purchases), reduction in cleaning services, maintenance, equipment purchases, etc.

2.2 Grant in lieu of Undergraduate Tuition Fees

Since 1996, the State has met the cost of tuition fees for eligible full-time undergraduate EU students.

The grant in lieu of undergraduate tuition fees increased by an average of 9.2% over the period under review. In addition, students make a contribution directly to the institution for a range of student services. Increases in these charges have to be agreed with the HEA, in consultation with the Department of Education and Science. The increase in student service charges over the period was 11.9%. This includes the increase of €250 referred to in 2.1 above.

2.1 Croídheontas

Fuair institiúidí an ÚAO méadú timpeall 10% ar chroíchistiúchán i **2002**. Ba leor seo le freastal ar na costais suntasacha, dosheachanta pá agus neamhphá a bhí i gceist. Chuir an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta in iúl don ÚAO i mí Lúnasa 2002 go dtiocfadh laghdú ar an gcroídheontas a bhí leithdháilte cheana féin ar institiúidí an ÚAO. Ba thoradh é seo ar an méadú ar tháille seirbhíse na mac léinn de 250 os cionn agus de bhreis ar an ngnáthmhéadú. Laghdaíodh deontais an Stáitchiste ar institiúidí an ÚAO i 2002 chun an teacht isteach breise a gineadh a chur san áireamh. Ba é an toradh a bhí ag teastáil ná a bheith neodrach ó thaobh cistiúcháin de.

Léiríodh i Leabhar na Meastachán a foilsíodh i mí na Samhna 2002 go raibh riocht na ndeontas athfhillteach d'institiúidí an ÚAO ag éirí níos measa do 2003. Bhí an deontas athfhillteach do 2003 timpeall €27m níos lú ná mar ba ghá chun freastal ar chostais dosheachanta pá agus neamhphá agus ba ghá sábháilteachtaí pá agus neamhphá a chur i bhfeidhm ar fud na hearnála. Ag an am sin, scríobh Príomhfheidhmeannach an ÚAO go dtí gach institiúid ag moladh dóibh athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar gach mír caiteachais ag a mbeadh tionchar ar bharrainneacht ar fud gach réimse gníomhaíochta i 2003.

Bhí Deontas Athfhillteach 2004 timpeall €50m níos lú ná mar ba ghá chun freastal ar mhéaduithe dosheachanta pá agus neamhphá. Bhí costais suntasacha pá i gceist anseo a tháinig i gceist i 2004 de bharr na gcomhaontaithe náisiúnta agus speisialta pá a aontaíodh (m.sh. Dul Chun Cinn a Choithú, Tagarmharcáil).

Toisc a dhonacht agus a bhí riocht an chistiúcháin do 2004 rinne an ÚAO mion-athbhreithniú ar an riocht foriomlán airgeadais do gach institiúid, ag áireamh leibhéal fiacha, sócmhainní, cúlchistí agus riocht airgeadais na gcisté pinsean. Foilsíodh an tuarascáil ar an athbhreithniú – *Athbhreithniú Airgeadais ar Ollscoileanna na hÉireann* – i Meitheamh 2004 agus bréagnaíonn sé, mar a deirtear sa tuarascáil *“an tuairim go bhféadfaí an laghdú díréireach seo ar chistiúchán don earnáil ollscolaíochta a bhaint as cúltaicéil a bheadh ar fáil dóibh”*. Chuir gach institiúid ciorruithe suntasacha i bhfeidhm ar a gcaiteachas pá agus neamhphá i 2004: *Pá* – calcadh post, moill i líonadh post, ciorruithe ar an bhfoireann ócáideach, mion-athbhreithnithe ar leibhéal agus grád aon fhoirne athsholáthair a bheadh i gceist de bharr scoir, cúntóirí múinteoireachta a bheith in ionad léachtóirí sóisir, gan conarthaí a athnuachan; *NeamhPhá* - ciorruithe suntasacha ar bhuiséid neamhphá rannach, ciorruithe i réimsí leabharlainne (m.sh. ceannach), laghdú ar sheirbhísí glanta, cothabhála, ceannach trealaimh, etc.

2.2 Deontas in ionad Táillí Teagaisc Fochéime

Ó 1996, tá an Stát tar éis íoc as costas na dtáillí teagaisc do mhic léinn incháilithe lánaimseartha fochéime AE.

Tháinig méadú 9.2% mar mheán ar an deontas in ionad táillí teagaisc fochéime thar an tréimhse atá faoi athbhreithniú. Ina theannta sin, déanann mic léinn ranníocaíocht dhíreach leis an institiúid do réimse seirbhísí mac léinn. Ní mór méaduithe ar na táillí seo a aontú leis an ÚAO, i gcomhairliúchán leis an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta. Tháinig méadú 11.9% ar tháillí seirbhísí mac léinn sa tréimhse seo. Tá an méadú de €250 ar déanadh tagairt dó in 2.1 thuas san áireamh anseo.

2.3 Strategic Initiatives

Targeted funding was made available in the three years under review for Strategic Initiatives in the following areas:

- Access
- Irish
- Support for Teaching
- Retention
- Progression
- Technology in Education

Overall funding allocated is detailed in paragraph 2.1 above. Generally, allocations under the heading of Access amounted to in excess of 50% of the total allocation.

2.4 Increased Intake of Students

2.4.1 Skills Shortages

The HEA allocated a total of €25m in 2004 to address skills shortages identified in Software, Engineering and Biochemical Sciences in reports of the Expert Group on Future Skills Needs and in areas of professional therapies (Bacon Report), education and other medical - related programmes.

The allocations to the identified areas of skills shortages are shown in Table 2.

Table 2	Allocations in respect of Skills Shortages
Programme	€000
Undergraduate Skills	10,162
Graduate Skills Conversion Programme	7,211
Grad Dip/B Ed in Education	3,325
Social Work	866
Therapies	1,538
Radiography	307
Dentistry	76
Psychology	130
Pharmacy	531
Other	837
Total	24,983

2.3 Tionscnaimh Straitéiseacha

Cuireadh sprioc-chistiúchán ar fáil sna trí bliana atá faoi athbheithniú do Thionscnaimh Straitéiseacha sna réimsí seo a leanas:

- Rochtain
- Gaeilge
- Tacaíocht do Mhúinteoireacht
- Coinneáil
- Seicheamh
- Teicneolaíocht san Oideachas

Tá sonraí ar an gcistiúchán foriomlán a leithdháileadh in alt 2.1 thuas. Go ginearálta, bhí níos mó ná 50% den leithdháileadh iomlán sna leithdháilte faoin gceannnteideal Rochtain.

2.4 Méadú ar Iontógáil Mac Léinn

2.4.1 Ganntanais Scileanna

Rinne an ÚAO leithdháileadh ar €25m ar fad i 2004 chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar ghanntanais scileanna a aithníodh i mBogearraí, Innealtóireacht agus Eolaíochtaí Bithcheimiceacha i dtuarascálacha an tSainghrúpa um Riachtanais Scileanna sa Toghcháin agus i réimse na dteiripí gairmiúla (Tuarascáil Bacon), oideachais agus na gclár eile a bhaineann le leigheas.

I dTábla 2 taispeántear na leithdháilte ar na réimsí ganntanais scileanna a aithníodh.

Tábla 2	Leithdháilte maidir le Ganntanais Scileanna
Clár	€000
Scileanna Fochéime	10,162
Clár Claochlaithe Scileanna Chéime	7,211
Diop/B Oid Céime in Oideachas	3,325
Obair Shóisialta	866
Teiripí	1,538
Radagrafaíocht	307
Fiaclóireacht	76
Síceolaíocht	130
Cógasaíocht	531
Eile	837
Iomlán	24,983

2.4.2 Funding for New Health Science Courses

As a response to the recommendations made in the report '*Current and Future Supply and Demand Conditions in the Labour Market for Certain Professional Therapists*', the HEA invited all relevant higher education institutions to submit proposals for an increase in the output of therapy graduates. An Inter Agency Working Group was established, consisting of representatives of the Department of Education and Science; the Department of Health and Children; and the HEA.

Following consideration of all proposals received and subsequent discussions, the courses listed in Table 3 were forwarded to the Departments of Education and Science, and Health and Children, and approved for funding in July 2002. Recurrent funding was provided on a *per capita* basis for the additional student places and capital funding was also approved. All the approved courses were introduced.

Table 3		
Increased Intake Courses Approved		
University	Course	No. of Students enrolled
UCC	BSc Speech and Language Therapy	25
UCC	BSc Occupational Therapy	25
NUIG	BSc Speech and Language Therapy	25
NUIG	BSc Occupational Therapy	25
UL	MSc Speech and Language Therapy	25
UL	MSc Occupational Therapy	25
UL	BSc Physiotherapy	25

2.4.3 Funding for Additional Pharmacy Places

The Higher Education Authority published a study undertaken by Peter Bacon and Associates on the demand and need for graduates in Pharmacy in November 1999. The report recommended an increased intake into pharmacy courses. The Department of Education and Science asked the HEA to seek proposals from the Universities, Institutes of Technology and the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland to provide for this increase. A project team, under the chairmanship of a former assistant secretary general, Mr. John O'Brien, of the Department of Education and Science, recommended that the following places, subject to terms and conditions, should be approved for funding

- BSc Pharmacy – University College Cork (50 places)
- BSc Pharmacy – Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (30 places).

The additional places as outlined above are now available. In addition to these places, further funding is also currently being provided to Trinity College Dublin for the expansion of its pre-existing undergraduate degree course.

2.4.2 Cistiúchán do Chúrsaí Nua Eolaíochta Sláinte

Mar fhreagra ar na moltaí a déanadh sa tuarascáil *'Cúinsí Soláthair agus Éilimh Reatha agus sa Todhchaí sa Mhargadh Fostaíochta do Theiripeoirí Áirithe Gairmiúla'*, thug an ÚAO cuireadh do gach institiúid iomchuí oideachais moltaí a chur isteach ar mhéadú ar aschur céimithe teiripe. Bunaíodh Meitheal Oibre IdirGhníomhaireachta, ar a raibh ionadaithe ón Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta; an Roinn Sláinte agus Leanáí; agus an ÚAO.

Tar éis machnamh a dhéanamh ar na moltaí go léir a fuarthas agus a pléadh ina dhiaidh sin, cuireadh na cúrsaí a bhí liostáilte i dTábla 3 ag aghaidh go dtí na Ranna Oideachais agus Eolaíochta, agus Sláinte agus Leanáí, agus déanadh faomhadh ar chistiúchán dóibh i mí Iúil 2002. Tugadh cistiúchán athfhillteach ar bhonn *per capita* do na hionaid bhreise do mhic léinn agus ceadaíodh cistiúchán caipitil freisin. Tugadh na cúrsaí faofa go léir isteach.

Tábla 3	Méadú ar Iontógáil na gCúrsaí a Faomhadh	
Ollscoil	Cúrsa	Líon na Mac Léinn a cláraíodh
COC	BSc Teiripe Urlabhra agus Teanga	25
COC	BSc Teiripe Shaothair	25
ONÉG	BSc Teiripe Urlabhra agus Teanga	25
ONÉG	BSc Teiripe Shaothair	25
OL	MSC Teiripe Urlabhra agus Teanga	25
OL	MSc Teiripe Shaothair	25
OL	BSc Fisiteiripe	25

2.4.3 Cistiúchán do Bhreis Áiteanna Cógasaíochta

D'fhoilsigh an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas staidéar a rinne Peter Bacon agus a Chomhlaigh ar an éileamh agus ar an ngá atá le céimithe sa Chógasaíocht i Samhain 1999. Mhol an tuarascáil go méadófaí iontógáil ar chúrsaí cógasaíochta. D'iarr an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta ar an ÚAO moltaí a lorg ar na hOllscoileanna, na hInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta agus ar Choláiste Ríoga na Máinlia in Éirinn maidir le soláthar a dhéanamh don mhéadú seo. Mhol foireann tionscadail, faoi chathaoirleacht an t-iar-ardrúnaí cúnta, John O'Brien, ón Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta, go gceadófaí cistiúchán do na hionaid seo a leanas, faoi réir ag téarmaí agus coinníollacha.

- BSc Cógasaíocht – Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh (50 ionad)
- BSc Cógasaíocht – Coláiste Ríoga na Máinlia in Éirinn (30 ionad).

Tá ionaid bhreise ar fáil anois mar atá imlínithe thuas. In éineacht leis na hionaid seo, tá tuilleadh cistiúcháin á sholáthar faoi láthair do Choláiste na Tríonóide Baile Átha Cliath d'fhonn an cúrsa fochéime atá ann a mhéadú.

2.5 Quality Assurance/Training of Trainers

2.5.1 Quality Assurance

Since 2000, the Quality Assurance programme for higher education in Ireland has been funded from the Quality Assurance sub-measure of the Employment and Human Resources Development Operational Programme of the National Development Plan. The programme is open to the seven universities, the National College of Art and Design (NCAD), Mary Immaculate College, Limerick and St. Patrick's College, Dublin. The stated aim of the Quality Assurance (QA) measure in the third-level sector is to promote a quality culture across the range of activities in third-level institutions, to promote greater transparency and accountability and to improve pedagogical training; teaching; evaluation and appraisal; and the development of management skills. Under the National Development Plan 2000-2006, the grant allocation to the HEA in respect of higher education institutions totals circa €1m per annum for this programme.

2.5.2 Review of Quality Assurance

In 2003, the HEA and the Irish Universities Quality Board (IUQB) jointly commissioned an extensive and independent study of quality assurance procedures in Irish higher education. The review was conducted by the European University Association with the assistance of experts from Europe, the United States and Canada and was structured to accord with the respective responsibilities of the universities and the HEA under the quality assurance provisions of the Irish Universities Act 1997.

2.5.3 High Level Reference Panel

In order to underpin the credibility and objectivity of this review and to provide a link with employers and the wider society, the HEA, in consultation with the IUQB and the National Qualifications Authority of Ireland (NQAI), established, in December 2003, a reference panel of eminent individuals from outside the university sector. The membership was as follows:

Membership of High Level Reference Panel

- Mr John Dunne Chair, *Chairman, IDA, Former Director General of IBEC*
- Dr Gay Corr, *Former Director of Galway/Mayo Institute of Technology*
- Ms Lucy Fallon-Byrne, *Director, National Centre for Partnership and Performance*
- Ms Una Halligan, *Public Affairs Officer, Hewlett-Packard*
- Mr Dick Langford, *CEO, Cork VEC, Chairperson, National Qualifications Authority of Ireland*
- Mr Ben Archibald* *President, USI*

* Mr Ben Archibald replaced Mr Will Priestley as a member of the panel after his election to the office of President of USI.

2.5 Dearbhú Cáilíochta/Oiliúna na nOiliúnóirí

2.5.1 Dearbhú Cáilíochta

Ó 2000, tá cistiúchán déanta ar an gclár Dearbhaithe Cáilíochta don ardoideachas in Éirinn ó fheart Dearbhaithe Cáilíochta Chláir Oibrithe Fostaíochta agus Forbartha Acmhainní Daonna an Phlean Forbartha Náisiúnta. Tá an clár oscailte do na seacht n ollscoil, an Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha (CNED), Coláiste Mhuire gan Smál, Luimneach agus Coláiste Phádraig, Baile Átha Cliath. Is é aidhm atá leis an mbeart Dearbhaithe Cáilíochta in earnáil an tríú leibhéal ná cultúr cáilíochta a chur chun cinn trí réimse de ghníomhaíochtaí in institiúidí tríú leibhéal, trédhearcacht agus freagracht níos fearr a chur chun cinn agus feabhas a chur ar oiliúint oideolaíochta; múinteoireacht; measúnú agus meastóireacht; agus forbairt ar scileanna bainistíochta. Faoin bPlean Forbartha Náisiúnta 2000-2006, is é an leithdháileadh deontais don ÚAO maidir le hinstitiúidí ardoideachais ná timpeall €1m in aghaidh na bliana don chlár seo.

2.5.2 Athbhreithniú ar Dhearbhú Cáilíochta

I 2003, rinne an ÚAO agus Bord Cáilíochta Ollscoileanna na hÉireann (BCOÉ) comhchoimisiúnú ar staidéar fairsing agus neamhspleách ar nósanna imeachta dearbhaithe cáilíochta in ardoideachas na hÉireann. Rinne Cumann Ollscolaíochta na hEorpa an t-athbhreithniú le cúnamh ó shaineolaithe ón Eoraip, na Stáit Aontaithe agus Ceanada agus é struchtúrtha chun teacht le freagrachtaí na nOllscoileanna agus an ÚAO faoi seach faoi fhorálacha dearbhaithe cáilíochta Acht Ollscoileanna na hÉireann 1997.

2.5.3 Painéal Tagartha Ardleibhéal

D'fhonn taca a chur le creidiúnacht agus oibiachtúlacht an athbhreithnithe seo agus nasc a sholáthar leis na fostóirí agus leis an tsochaí níos leithne, bhunaigh an ÚAO, i gcomhairliúchán leis an BCOÉ agus le hÚdarás Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí na hÉireann (ÚNCÉ), painéal tagartha de dhaoine ardchéimeacha ó lasmuigh den earnáil ollscolaíochta, i mí na Nollag 2003. Mar seo a leanas a bhí an bhallraíocht:

Ballraíocht an Phainéil Thagartha Ardleibhéal

- Mr. John Dunne Cathaoir, *Cathaoirleach, IDA, Iar-ard-stiúrthóir CGFÉ*
- An Dr Gay Corr, *IarStiúrthóir Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillim he/Muigh Eo*
- Ms Lucy Fallon-Byrne, *Stiúrthóir, Ionad Náisiúnta Comhpháirtíochta agus Feidhmíochta*
- Ms Una Halligan, *Oifigeach um Ghnóthaí Poiblí, Hewlett-Packard*
- Mr Dick Langford, *POF, CGOid. Chorcaí, Cathaoirleach, Údarás Náisiúnta Cáilíochtaí na hÉireann*
- Mr. Ben Archibald* *Uachtarán, AML*

* Tháinig Mr Ben Archibald i gcomharbacht ar Mr Will Priestley mar bhall den phainéal nuair a toghadh é mar Uachtarán ar AML.

This panel considered the outcomes of the EUA review and prepared a 'reflections' document for the HEA that identified particular issues of relevance to future reviews. The reference panel came to the following conclusions:

- The Panel considered that the review process utilised by the EUA was both rigorous and comprehensive.
- The Panel welcomed the confirmation from the EUA teams that in aggregate the Irish universities have complied with their statutory obligations in relation to the development of Quality Assurance procedures and indeed have gone further than these statutory requirements in developing strong internal quality cultures and systems.
- The Panel endorsed the view of the EUA teams that the universities now need to move on to the second stage in the development of their Quality Assurance procedures, building on the system already in place.

The Panel also highlighted the following specific issues:

- The absence of a coherent relationship between QA processes, strategic planning and management processes and other reform processes underway across the universities was a cause of concern to the Panel.
- The Panel strongly urged the universities to put in place systematic student feedback processes covering the quality of both the teaching and learning environment and other support services provided for students.
- Progress on structures to encourage widening participation and lifelong learning is slow according to the EUA review teams. The Panel emphasised the need for immediate action in these areas, on a co-ordinated national basis and particularly requested the universities to actively co-operate with the implementation of the recently published action plan of the National Office for Equity of Access to Higher Education.

2.5.4 Training of Trainers

The Training of Trainers Programme in the Universities and the Staff Development Programme in the Institutes of Technology are supported from the same sub-measure of the National Development Plan as the Quality Assurance programme described above.

Under the National Development Plan, the grant allocation to the Higher Education Authority in respect of higher education institutions totals circa €1m per annum for these programmes. A Special Committee is set up annually to recommend the courses that should be supported under the programmes. Institutions are invited to submit course proposals for funding (details available from - www.heai.ie).

Rinne an painéal seo machnamh ar thorthaí athbhreithnithe an EUA agus d'ullmhaigh cáipéis 'tuairimí' don ÚAO a d'aithin ceisteanna áirithe a mbeadh tábhacht leo in athbhreithnithe sa todhchaí. Tháinig an painéal tagartha ar na tátail seo a leanas:

- Cheap an Painéal go raibh an próiseas athbhreithnithe a d'úsáid an EUA beacht agus cuimsitheach.
- D'fháiltigh an Painéal roimh dheimhniú ó fhoirne an EUA go bhfuil ollscoileanna na hÉireann, ina gcomhiomláine, tar éis a ndualgais reachtúla a chomhlíonadh maidir le forbairt nósanna imeachta Dearbhaithe Cáilíochta agus iad go deimhin tar éis dul níos faide ná na riachtanais reachtúla seo i bhforbairt chultúir agus chórais láidre inmheánacha.
- Thacaigh an Painéal le dearcadh fhoireann an EUA gur gá do na hollscoileanna anois gluaiseacht go dtí an dara céim i bhforbairt a nósanna imeachta Dearbhaithe Cáilíochta, ag tógáil ar an gcóras atá ann cheana féin.

Chuir an Painéal béim freisin ar na saincheisteanna seo a leanas:

- B'ábhar imní don Phainéal é gan gaol comhleanúnach a bheith idir phróisis DC, pleanáil straitéiseach agus próisis bhainistíochta agus cineálacha eile próisis sna hollscoileanna.
- Mhol an Painéal go láidir do na hollscoileanna próisis sistéamacha aiseolais mac léinn a bheith ann a chlúdódh cáilíocht an chomhshaoil múinteoireachta agus foghlama agus seirbhísí eile tacaíochta a sholáthraítear do mhic léinn.
- De réir fhoirne athbhreithnithe an EUA tá an dul chun cinn maidir le spreagadh ar struchtúir le rannpháirtíocht agus foghlaim saolré a leathadh mall. Chuir an Painéal béim ar an ngá atá le gníomhú láithreach sna réimsí seo, ar bhonn comhordaithe náisiúnta agus d'iarr ach go háirithe ar na hollscoileanna comhoibriú go gníomhach le cur i bhfeidhm phlean gníomhaíochta na hOifige Náisiúnta um Chomhionannas Rochtana ar Ardoideachas a foilsíodh le déanaí.

2.5.4 Oiliúint na nOiliúnoirí

Tá tacaíocht á thabhairt don Chlár Oiliúna d'Oiliúnoirí sna hOllscoileanna agus don Chlár Forbartha Foirne sna hInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta ón bhfobheart céanna den Phlean Forbartha Náisiúnta is atá sa chur síos sa chlár Dearbhaithe Cáilíochta thuas.

Faoin bPlean Forbartha Náisiúnta, is é an leithdháileadh deontais ar an Údarás um Ardoideachas maidir le hInstitiúidí ardoideachais ná timpeall €1m in aghaidh na bliana do na cláir seo. Cuirtear Coiste Speisialta ar bun go bliantúil d'fhonn cúrsaí ar chóir tacaíocht a thabhairt dóibh faoi na cláir a mholadh. Tugtar cuireadh do na hInstitiúidí cur isteach ar chistiúchán ar mholtaí do chúrsaí (sonraí ar fáil ó - www.heai.ie).

2.5.5 Review of Training of Trainers Programme

In 2002, the HEA decided that a review of the Training of Trainers Programme was timely. The review also took place against the background of the proposal that the Institutes of Technology should become designated institutions of the HEA. *Options Consulting* was commissioned to conduct the review and a final report was published in August 2004.

The review found that the programme has been successful, has promoted networks, and has produced tangible benefits in the institutions including:

- Embedding of quality improvement and quality assurance procedures
- The establishment of centres for the development of teaching and learning practices
- An increased awareness concerning the scholarship of teaching
- Improved interaction with students
- Bridging the gap between teaching and research
- Provision of systematic continuing professional development for staff from all functional areas in the institutions
- Enhanced practices in relation to diversity and equality, appraisal and leadership.

The main recommendations of the review were :

- In collaboration with the institutions, refocus the programme priorities (within the framework of the existing general aims) for the period to the end of the current National Development Plan (2006)
- Invite institutions to submit proposals for learning activities that are consistent both with their own institutional strategic priorities and with the training of trainers programme priorities
- In collaboration with the institutions identify key performance indicators to measure the efficiency and effectiveness of the programme at institutional and national levels
- Establish a framework for the setting of specific programme target, and for the monitoring and evaluation of outcomes by institutions themselves.
- Link the allocation of continued programme funding to evidence of impact
- Provide support for network activity.

2.5.5 Athbhreithniú ar an gClár Oiliúna d'Oiliúnóirí

I 2002, chinn an ÚAO gur mhithid athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar an gClár Oiliúna d'Oiliúnóirí. Déanadh an t-athbhreithniú freisin i bhfianaise an mholta gur chóir institiúidí ainmnithe den ÚAO a dhéanamh de na hInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta. Déanadh coimisiúnú ar *Options Consulting* chun an t-athbhreithniú a dhéanamh agus foilsíodh an tuarascáil dheiridh i mí Lúnasa 2004.

De réir an athbhreithnithe d'éirigh leis an gclár, chuir sé líonraí chun cinn, agus chuir leasa inbhráite ar fáil sna hinstitiúidí ar a raibh:

- Neadú feabhais cáilíochta agus nósanna imeachta dearbhaithe cáilíochta
- Bunú ionad d'fhorbairt cleachtais mhúinteoireachta agus fhoghlama
- Méadú ar fheasacht maidir le scoláireacht na múinteoireachta
- Feabhas ar idirchaidreamh le mic léinn
- An bhearna idir mhúinteoireacht agus thaighde a líonadh
- Soláthar ar fhorbairt sistéamach leanúnach gairmiúil don fhoireann ó gach réimse feidhme sna hinstitiúidí
- Feabhas ar chleachtais maidir le héagsúlacht agus comhionannas, breithmheastóireacht agus cinnireacht.

Ba iad príomh-mholtaí an athbhreithnithe ná:

- Athdhírú, i gcomhoibriú leis na hinstitiúidí, ar thosaíochtaí an chlár (laistigh de fhrámaíocht na n-aidhmeanna ginearálta atá ann) don tréimhse go deireadh an Phlean Náisiúnta Forbartha (2006) reatha.
- Cuireadh a thabhairt d'institiúidí moltaí maidir le gníomhaíochtaí foghlama a thagann lena dtosaíochtaí straitéiseacha institiúideacha féin agus le tosaíochtaí an chlár oiliúna d'oiliúnóirí a chur isteach
- Príomhtháscairí feidhmíochta a aimsiú chun éifeacht an chlár ar leibhéal institiúide agus náisiúnta a mheas i gcomhoibriú leis na hinstitiúidí
- Frámaíocht a bhunú chun sprioc-chlár ar leith a shocrú, agus do mhonatóireacht agus do mheasúnú na n-institiúidí féin ar thorthaí.
- Leithdháileadh ar chistiúchán leanúnach clár a nascadh le fianaise éifeachta
- Tacaíocht a sholáthar do ghníomhaíocht líonra.

2.6 Other Programmes

2.6.1 Skills IT Investment Fund

Following the Third Report of the Expert Group on Future Skills Needs (2001), the Minister for Education and Science and the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment established the Information Technology Investment Fund.

The fund is administered by the HEA, with the support of an Advisory Group consisting of third-level institutions, the Expert Group, the Skills Initiative Unit, the Department of Education and Science and the Irish Business and Employers Confederation (IBEC). A dedicated unit within the HEA was established in 2002 for this purpose.

Funds Roll-Out (€ millions)	2002	2003	2004
Approved to-date	8	3	3

New Developments

Internship Programme

The HEA in association with ICT Ireland, the IBEC body representing the high-tech sector, has launched a major initiative "ICT Ireland Undergraduate Internship Programme" This is an ICT industry wide programme to create a pool of graduates from specific disciplines for the ICT industry in the long term. It involves a two-day week placement for undergraduates in third and fourth year of ICT degree courses. Two Universities and three Institutes of Technology are involved in the initial pilot which is due to commence in September, 2005. Funding for the pilot is being provided by the HEA under the Information Technology Investment Fund.

Flexible Time-Tabling

The HEA collaborated with the Institute of Technology, Tallaght on the design of a pilot course in Electronic Engineering to meet the life-styles of the youth in the area called FLASHE (Flexible Access to Higher Education). It is time-tabled and delivered in a flexible manner and provides a foundation course in mathematics. A target of +30 enrolments has been set.

2.7 Review of Financial Procedures in Irish Higher Education

In the period covered by the report, the HEA initiated or participated in a number of reviews of various aspects of its funding relationship with its designated institutions. These are described below.

2.7.1 Recurrent Grant Allocation Model

Since 1993 the HEA allocated recurrent funding informed by the unit costs of providing courses in particular groups of subjects. In 2004 the HEA decided to revise its approach to recurrent funding. It set out the following design principles for its new funding model

2.6 Cláir eile

2.6.1 Ciste Infheistíochta Scileanna TF

I ndiaidh Tríú Tuarascáil an tSainghrúpa um Riachtanais Scileanna sa Toghchán (2001), bhunaigh an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta agus an tAire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta an Ciste Infheistíochta do Theicneolaíocht na Faisnéise.

Déanann an ÚAO riaradh ar an gciste, le tacaíocht ó Ghrúpa Comhairleach ar a bhfuil institiúidí tríú leibhéal, an Sainghrúpa, an tAonad Tionscnaimh Scile, an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta agus Cónaidhm Ghnólachtaí agus Fhostóirí na hÉireann (CGFÉ). Bunaíodh aonad tiomnaithe laistigh den ÚAO i 2002 chuige seo.

Feidhmiú Céimneach Chistí (€ milliúin)	2002	2003	2004
Faofa go dáta	8	3	3

Forbairtí Nua

Clár Intéirneachta

Sheol an ÚAO in éineacht le ICT Ireland, eagraíocht de chuid CGFÉ in ionannas na hearnála ardteicneolaíochta, mórtionscnamh “Clár Intéirneachta Fochéime ICT Ireland”. Is clár forleathan tionscal TFC é seo chun líon céimithe a chruthú ó dhisciplíní ar leith do thionscal an TFC sa bhfadtearma. Tá socrúchán dhá lá sa tseachtain i gceist d’fhochéimithe atá sa tríú agus sa cheathrú bliain de chúrsa céime TFC. Tá dhá Ollscoil agus trí Institiúid Teicneolaíochta páirteach sa phíolótacht tosaigh atá le tosú i Meán Fómhair, 2005. Tá cistiúchán don pháilíocht á sholáthar ag an ÚAO faoin gCiste Infheistíochta do Theicneolaíocht Faisnéise.

Socrú Amchláir Sholúbtha

Bhí comhoibriú idir an ÚAO agus an Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht i ndearadh chúrsa píolótach in Innealtóireacht Leictreonach chun freastal ar stíl mhaireachtála ógra an cheantair ar a dtugtar FLASHE (Rochtain Solúbtha ar Ardoideachas). Tá a amchlár agus a sholáthar solúbtha agus soláthraíonn sé bonnchúrsa sa mhatamaitic. Tá sprioc de +30 clárú socraithe.

2.7 Athbhreithniú ar Nósanna Imeachta Airgeadais san Ardoideachas in Éirinn

Sa tréimhse atá clúdaithe ag an tuarascáil, tá tús curtha ag an ÚAO le, nó bhí sé rannpháirteach i, roinnt athbhreithnithe ar ghnéithe éagsúla dá ghaol cistiúcháin lena institiúidí ainmnithe. Tá cur síos orthu seo thíos.

2.7.1 Samhail Leithdháilte do Dheontas Athfhillteach

Ó 1993 rinne an ÚAO leithdháileadh ar chistiúchán athfhillteach bunaithe ar chostais aonaid i soláthar chúrsaí i ngrúpaí ábhar ar leith. I 2004 chinn an ÚAO athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar a chur chuige maidir le cistiúchán athfhillteach. Leag sé amach na prionsabail deartha seo a leanas dá shamhail nua cistiúcháin

The model should:

- Support institutional autonomy, while providing meaningful accountability to the various stakeholders
- Promote a strategic approach by institutions to their long-term development, consistent with their existing strengths and capabilities
- Reward institutional responsiveness to national and regional needs
- Increase opportunities for students from all types of backgrounds to benefit from higher education
- Support excellence in teaching, learning and research
- Be transparent and rational
- Provide positive incentives to institutions to diversify and increase their income from non-state sources, consistent with their mission
- Provide stability in funding from year to year and encourage efficiency in the use of public funding
- Recognise the extra costs which arise in the case of students from disadvantaged backgrounds

The main features of a model based on these principles were incorporated in a consultation document which was the subject of extensive consultation with stakeholders and was submitted to the OECD Review of Higher Education in Ireland. The 2004 OECD examiners report broadly endorsed the objectives of the model and pointed towards the need to emphasise some features even more strongly – the need to provide implicit strategic direction, for simplicity and transparency, for an element in the core grant for research, for explicit recognition in the model of the importance of widening participation.

A new model incorporating the outcomes of the consultation process was finalised and was phased in commencing in 2006. The main features of the new model are as follows:

- A block core grant covering teaching and research with the internal allocation a matter for institutions themselves
- A core grant determined on a formula basis with funding following the student. Student numbers are weighted to reflect the different resource requirements in a small number of broad groups of subjects.
- An adjustment is made to reflect the costs of attracting and supporting students from under-represented groups in higher education
- An additional weighting is given to research students. An amount (5%) is top-sliced from the aggregate grant for all institutions and allocated on the basis of research criteria – research degrees awarded and research income earned.

Ba chóir go ndéanfadh an tsamhail:

- Tacaíocht a thabhairt do neamhspleáchas institiúideach, agus fíorfhreagracht a sholáthar do na páirtithe éagsúla leasmhara
- Cur chuige straitéiseach ag na hinstiúidí a chur chun cinn maidir lena bhforbairt fadtéarmach, ag teacht lena láidreachtaí agus lena gcumais
- Luaíocht do shofhreagracht institiúideach do riachtanais náisiúnta agus réigiúnach
- Méadú ar na deiseanna do mhic léinn ó gach cineál cúlra le leas a bhaint as ardoideachas
- Tacaíocht a thabhairt do bharr feabhais a bhaint amach i múinteoireacht, foghlaim agus taighde
- A bheith trédhearcach agus réasúnach
- Dreasacht dhearfach a sholáthar d'instiúidí chun go mbeadh éagsúlacht agus méadú ar a dteacht isteach ó fhoinsí neamhstáit, ag teacht lena misean
- Cobhsaíocht a sholáthar i gcistiúchán ó bhliain go bliain agus éifeacht in úsáid chistiúcháin phoiblí a spreagadh
- Na costais bhreise a éiríonn i gcás mac léinn ó chúlraí faoi mhíbhuntáiste a aithint

Bhí príomhghnéithe samhla a bhí bunaithe ar na prionsabail seo comhshnaidhmthe i ndoiciméad comhairliúcháin ar déanadh comhairliúchán fairsing leis na páirtithe leasmhara air agus cuireadh faoi bhráid Athbhreithniú ar Ardoideachas in Éirinn an ECFE é. Thug tuarascáil scrúdaitheoirí an ECFE 2004 tacaíocht do chuspóirí na samhla agus dhírigh ar an ngá atá le béim níos treise a chur ar roinnt gnéithe de – an gá atá le treoir intuigthe straitéiseach a sholáthar, so shimplíocht agus do thrédhearcthacht, le heilimint sa chroídheontas do thaighde, d'aitheantas follasach sa tsamhail don tábhacht atá le rannpháirtíocht a leathadh.

Críochnaíodh samhail nua ina n-áirítear torthaí an phróisis chomhairliúcháin agus é céimnithe ag tosú i 2006. Seo a leanas príomhghnéithe na samhla nua:

- Bloc-chroídheontas ag clúdach múinteoireachta agus taighde agus an leithdháileadh inmheánach faoi na hinstiúidí féin
- Croídheontas socraithe ar bhonn fhoirmle agus cistiúchán a bheith ar leanúint an mhic léinn. Tá líon na mac léinn ualaithe le teacht leis na riachtanais éagsúla acmhainne i roinnt bheag de ghrúpaí leathana ábhar.
- Déantar coigeartú le teacht leis na costais a bhaineann le mealladh agus tacaíocht a thabhairt do mhic léinn ó ghrúpaí faoi ghannionadaíocht san ardoideachas
- Tugtar ualú sa bhreis do mhic léinn taighde. Baintear barrshlis (5%) den deontas comhiomlán do gach instiúid agus leithdháiltear é ar bhonn chritéir thaighde – céimeanna taighde bronnta agus teacht isteach tuillte ó thaighde.

- Strategic Performance funding. To promote strategic planning and achievement of objectives an amount will be reserved each year from the core grant determined as above to be released following review of strategies and outcomes.
- A Strategic Innovation Fund to be allocated on a competitive basis to:
 - Enhance delivery of education and research through collaboration and restructuring
 - Support enabling measures to expand and develop post-graduate education
 - Support innovation and quality improvement in teaching and learning
 - To access, retention and progression
- The model to be extended to the Institutes of Technology and to be further developed to take account of course duration and retention, tuition fee structures, and to ensure stability of the system.

2.7.2 Verification of Financial Governance

In December 2001, a joint HEA/CHIU report, entitled: *The Financial Governance of Irish Universities - Balancing Autonomy with Accountability* set out a range of agreed procedures for the financial governance of universities. One of the recommendations of the report was that Heads of Universities should furnish an annual report verifying compliance with agreed procedures. The annual reports for the financial year 2003/2004 (the second and third such reports) indicated that compliance was satisfactory.

2.7.3 Review of the Financial Position of Irish Universities

In November 2003, the HEA announced that in the light of a reduction of €50m in the annual grants to universities for 2004, referred to in section 2.1 above, it would undertake an in-depth review of the overall financial position of each institution, including level of debt, assets, reserves and financial position of pension funds. A working group, consisting of the following membership was set up:

Review of Financial Position of Irish Universities Working Group

Mr. T. Boland	HEA Chief Executive (Chair of Working Group)
Mr. J. Donnelly	Deputy Chairman of Hypo Real Estate Bank International
Mr. T. O'Higgins	Managing Director Theta Eta Advisors Ltd.
Dr. J. Port	Managing Director of JM Consulting UK

Following meetings with senior representatives of the universities, the working group published in July 2004 a report entitled: *The Financial Position of Irish Universities at 30 September 2003*.

- Cistiúchán Feidhmíochta Straitéiseach. Cuirfear méid áirithe in áirithe gach bliain ón gcroídheontas socraithe mar atá thuas le scaoileadh tar éis athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar straitéisí agus thorthaí d'fhonn pleanáil straitéiseach agus baint amach chuspóirí a chur chun cinn.
- Ciste Straitéiseach Nuálaíochta le leithdháileadh ar bhonn iomaíoch chun:
 - Feabhas a chur ar sholáthar oideachais agus taighde trí chomhoibriú agus athstruchtúró
 - Tacú le céimeanna cumasúcháin chun cur le agus forbairt a dhéanamh ar oideachas iarchéime
 - Tacú le nuálaíocht agus feabhas cáilíochta múinteoireachta agus foghlama
 - Go rochtain, coinneáil agus dul chun cinn
- Tá an tsamhail le leathadh ar na hInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta agus déanfar tuilleadh forbartha uirthi ag tógáil ceann de fhad agus coinneáil chúrsa, struchtúir na dtáillí teagaisc, agus ag cinntiú cobhsaíochta an chórais.

2.7.2 Fíorúchán Rialachais Airgeadais

I mí na Nollag 2001, leag comhthuarascáil ÚAO/CHIU dar teideal: *Rialachas Airgeadais Ollscoileanna na hÉireann – Ag Cothromú Neamhspleáchais le Freagracht*, réimse nósanna aontaithe imeachta a leagan amach do rialachas airgeadais na n-ollscoileanna. Ceann de mholtaí na tuarascála ná gur chóir do Cheannasaithe na nOllscoileanna tuarascáil bhliantúil a sholáthar ag deimhniú géilliúlachta do na nósanna aontaithe imeachta. Léirigh na turascálacha bliantúla don bhliain airgeadais 2003/2004 (an dara agus an tríú tuarascáil dá leithéid) go raibh géilliúlacht sásúil i gceist.

2.7.3 Athbhreithniú ar Ríocht Airgeadais Ollscoileanna na hÉireann

I mí na Nollag 2003 d'fhógair an ÚAO toisc laghdú €50m ar dheontais bhliantúla ar na hollscoileanna do 2004, ar tagradh dó in rannóg 2.1 thuas, go dtabharfadh sé faoi mhion-athbhreithniú ar ríocht foriomlán airgeadais gach institiúide, chomh maith lena leibhéal fiacha, a sócmhainní, a gcúl tacaí agus ríocht airgeadais na gcistí pinsin. Cuireadh meitheal oibre le chéile ar a raibh na baill seo a leanas:

Meitheal Oibre um Athbhreithniú ar Ríocht Airgeadais Ollscoileanna na hÉireann

Mr. T. Boland	Príomhfheidhmeannach ÚAO (Cathaoir an Mheitheal Oibre)
Mr. J. Donnelly	Leaschathaoirleach Hypo Real Estate Bank International
Mr. T. O'Higgins	Stiúrthóir Bainistíochta Theta Eta Advisors Ltd.
AN Dr. J. Port	Stiúrthóir Bainistíochta JM Consulting UK

I ndiaidh cruinnithe le hionadaithe sinsearach na n-ollscoileanna, d'fhoilsigh an meitheal oibre tuarascáil i mí Iúil 2004 dar teideal: *Ríocht Airgeadais Ollscoileanna na hÉireann ar an 30 Meán Fomhair 2003*.

The *Financial Review of Irish Universities* counters, to quote the report “a perception that this disproportionate reduction in funding for the university sector could be absorbed from reserves made available to them”.

The working group concluded that:

- The creation of surpluses is essential to enable universities to accumulate cash for strategic reasons;
- Current levels of surplus in the sector are inadequate;
- Universities need to make surpluses of approximately 3% of income to allow for essential investment. This is in addition to providing for depreciation;
- Universities should plan to hold in the region of 45-60 days income in the form of cash to enable them to respond to opportunities and risks and manage their activities efficiently.

2.7.4 The Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD), Institutional Management for Higher Education (IMHE), and the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) Study on Financial Sustainability

Ireland was one of eight countries that participated in the above study which commenced in March, 2002. Each participating country produced a national report. The Irish report, written by the HEA and published in October 2003, dealt with the policy context of higher education, with systems of governance and management of higher education with particular reference to their impact on the financial viability of higher education institutions. Following the production of the national reports, the OECD published an overall report entitled: *On the Edge - Securing a Sustainable Future for Higher Education* in January, 2004.

2.7.5 Harmonisation of University Accounts

The main financial statements furnished by the universities used to relate only to the expenditure of their core grant for teaching, research and administration. Following discussions with the HEA, the universities Chief Finance Officers set up a working party to prepare a *pro-forma* set of consolidated financial statements for 2002/3 relating to all elements of recurrent grants.

2.7.6 HEA/Forfás Steering Group on Research Overheads

The above steering group, which was chaired by Mr. John Donnelly, chair of Hypovereinsbank, Ireland, was established towards the end of 2001 to recommend a policy framework applicable to research funding organisations in order to provide for the indirect costs of publicly-funded research. The group examined a number of possible approaches to establishing an effective framework. It produced a report in June 2003 recommending as an interim measure a standard overhead rate that would be applied to the total direct costs of research excluding equipment costs.

Freagraíonn an tAthbhreithniú Airgeadais ar Ollscoileanna na hÉireann le hathfhriotal as an tuarascáil “an tuairim go bhféadfaí an laghdú díreireach seo ar chistiúchán don earnáil ollscolaíochta a bhaint as cúltacaí a bheadh ar fáil dóibh”.

Ba é conclúid an mheitheal oibre:

- Go bhfuil cruthú farasbairr riachtanach le cur ar chumas na n-ollscoileanna airgead tirim a chnuasach ar chúiseanna straitéiseacha;
- Níl leibhéil na bhfarasbarr san earnáil maith go leor faoi láthair;
- Is gá d'Ollscoileanna farasbarr timpeall 3% den teacht isteach a bheith acu d'fhonn ceadú d'infheistíocht riachtanach. Tá seo anuas ar sholáthar a dhéanamh do dhíluacháil;
- Ba chóir é a bheith i gceist ag Ollscoileanna teacht isteach timpeall 45-60 lá a choimeád i bhfoirm airgid thirim lena chur ar a gcumas deiseanna a thapú, freagairt do phriacal agus a gcúram a bhainistiú go héifeachtach.

2.7.4 Staidéar ar Inbhuanaitheacht Airgeadais na hEagraíochta um Chomhar agus Fhorbairt Eacnamaíochta (ECFE), Bainsitíocht Institiúideach don Ardoideachas (BIA), agus Coiste Cistiúcháin an Ardoideachais do Shasana (HEFCE)

Tá Éire ar cheann d'ocht dtíortha a bhí rannpháirteach sa staidéar thuas a thosaigh i mí Márta, 2002. Chuir gach tír a ghlac páirt tuarascáil ar fáil. Rinne an tuarascáil Éireannach, a scríobh an ÚAO agus a foilsíodh i nDeireadh Fómhair 2003, déileáil le comhthéacs pholasaí an aird-oideachais, le córais rialaithe agus bainistíochta an aird-oideachais ina raibh tagairt ar leith dá dtionchar ar inmharthanacht airgeadais na n-institiúidí ardoideachais. Tar éis na tuarascálacha náisiúnta a chur ar fáil, d'fhoilsigh an ECFE tuarascáil fhoriomlán dar teideal: *Ar an Imeall – Ag Daingniú Todhchaí Inbhuanaithe don Ardoideachas i mí Eanáir, 2004.*

2.7.5 Comhchuibhiú ar Chuntais na nOllscoileanna

Ní bhaineadh na príomhráitis airgeadais a sholáthraíodh na hollscoileanna ach le caiteachas a gcróidheontas múinteoireachta, taighde agus riaracháin. I ndiaidh cainteanna leis an ÚAO, chuir Príomhoifigigh Airgeadais na n-ollscoileanna meitheal oibre le chéile chun tacar de ráitis daingnithe airgeadais *pro-forma* a ullmhú do 2002/3 a bhaineann le gach eilimint de dheontais athfhillteacha.

2.7.6 Grúpa Stiúrtha ÚAO/Forás ar Fhorchostais Taighde

Bunaíodh an grúpa stiúrtha thuas, a raibh John Donnelly, cathaoirleach Hypovereinsbank, Ireland, mar chathaoirleach air, faoi dheireadh 2001 d'fhonn frámaíocht polasaí a mholadh a bheadh inghlactha ag eagraíochtaí cistithe taighde d'fhonn soláthar a dhéanamh do chostais indíreacha ar thaighde atá cistithe go poiblí. Scrúdaigh an grúpa bealaí éagsúla le cur chuige maidir le bunú frámaíochta éifeachtaigh. Chuir sé tuarascáil ar fáil i mí Meitheamh 2003 ag moladh ráta caighdeánach forchostais mar chéim eatramhach a chuirfí i bhfeidhm ar iomlán chostais díreach na taighde gan costais trealaimh a chur san áireamh.

3 Funding-Capital Grants

3.1 Administration

The majority of public capital expenditure on higher education institutions designated under the HEA is funded through the Authority (Subhead M2 of the Vote for Education and Science). In discharging this responsibility the HEA engages in an ongoing process of consultation with the authorities of each of the institutions involved in order to plan a programme of investment designed to meet the institution's capital needs for buildings and equipment. A list is provided on page 28 of the major building projects undertaken in the period under review.

The classification of projects under two headings: general capital and research requires a word of explanation. Ireland is moving towards an 'innovation society' where the basis for economic growth will depend to a greater extent than before on indigenous innovation. The goal is to develop a society where social development, quality of life and personal growth are enhanced through innovation in a thriving economy. Education, learning, research and technology will be at the centre of Ireland's transformation to an innovation society.

The corollary of this analysis is that the accommodation and facilities for research within the Irish higher education system need to be radically restructured in order to create the conditions that will retain the most talented Irish researchers in Ireland and attract researchers of the highest calibre from other countries. In pursuit of this objective a major Programme for Research in Third-Level Institutions (PRTLII) was launched in 1998 as an investment vehicle designed to bring about a permanent transformation in the research environment in Irish higher education. Funding for the programme is allocated on a competitive basis; to date, €404m. has been allocated, of which €147m. was provided from private sources.

In view of the substantial amounts of capital funding made available under PRTLII, the HEA receives an allocation for projects funded under that programme in a separate estimates subhead (Subhead M4 of the Vote for Education and Science) and it classifies the building projects funded from that subhead as research projects. (The projects funded from subhead M2 are described as general capital projects.) Accordingly the list is set out under those two headings. In some cases buildings for similar disciplines were provided on more than one campus where the need for the same type of accommodation arose.

3.2 List of Building Projects (2002-2004)

The first figure under the heading of cost is the total cost of the project and the amount in brackets is the contribution from public funds.

3 Cistiúchán-Deontais Chaipitil

3.1 Riarachán

Déantar cistiú ar fhorfhór an chaiteachais poiblí ar institiúidí ainmnithe ardoideachais faoin ÚAO tríd an Údarás (Fotheideal M2 den Vóta ar Oideachas agus Eolaíocht). Agus an fhreagracht seo á chomhlíonadh ag an ÚAO bíonn sé gafa i bpróiseas leanúnach comhairliúcháin le húdaráis gach institiúide atá i gceist d'fhonn clár infheistíochta a phleanáil dírithe ar fhreastal ar riachtanais chaipitil na n institiúidí d'fhoirgnimh agus do threalamh. Tugtar liosta ar leathanach 28 de na príomhthionscadail tógála ar tugadh fúthu sa tréimhse atá faoi athbhreithniú.

Rangú na dtionscadal faoi dhá cheanteideal: is gá míniú a thabhairt ar chaipiteal ginearálta agus ar thaighde. Tá Éire ag gluaiseacht i dtreo 'sochaí nuálaíoch' mar a mbeidh bonn an fháis eacnamaíochta ag brath níos mó ná riamh ar nuálaíocht dúchais. Is é an sprioc atá ann sochaí a fhorbairt mar a gcuirtear le forbairt sóisialta, le caighdeán maireachtála agus le forás pearsanta trí nuálaíocht in eacnamaíocht a bhfuil ag éirí thar barr leis. Beidh oideachas, foghlaim, taighde agus teicneolaíocht ag croílár athraithe na hÉireann go sochaí nuálaíoch.

Is é toradh na hanailíse seo ná gur gá athstruchtúrú radacach a dhéanamh ar chóiríocht agus áiseanna taighde laistigh den chóras ardoideachais d'fhonn na coinníollacha a chruthú a choimeádfadh formhór den lucht taighde cumasach Éireannach in Éirinn agus lucht taighde den chaighdeán is airde a mhealladh ó thíortha eile. D'fhonn an cuspóir seo a bhaint amach seoladh Mórchlár do Thaighde in Institiúidí Tríú Leibhéal (MTITL) i 1998 mar fheithicil infheistíochta dírithe ar athrú buan a thabhairt i gcrích i gcúinsí taighde in ardoideachas na hÉireann. Déantar leithdháileadh ar chistiúchán don chlár ar bhonn iomaíochta; déanadh leithdháileadh ar €404m go dáta, ar soláthraíodh €147m de ó fhoinsí príobháideacha.

I bhfianaise na suimeanna substaintiúla cistiúcháin chaipitil a cuireadh ar fáil faoin MTITL, faigheann an ÚAO leithdháileadh do thionscadail atá cistithe faoin gclár sin i bhfotheideal meastacháin scartha (Fotheideal M4 den Vóta ar Oideachas agus Eolaíocht) agus rangaíonn sé na tionscadail tógála ón bhfotheideal sin mar thionscadail taighde. (Cuirtear síos ar na tionscadail a chistítear faoi fhotheideal M2 mar thionscadail ghinearálta caipitil.) Dá réir sin tá an liosta leagtha amach faoin dá cheanteideal sin. I roinnt cásanna soláthraíodh foirgnimh do dhisciplíní den chineál céanna ar níos mó ná campas amháin nuair a gineadh gá leis an gcineál céanna cóiríochta.

3.2 Liosta Tionscadal Tógála (2002-2004)

Is é atá sa chéad fhigiúir faoin gceanteideal costais ná costas iomlán an tionscadail agus is é atá idir lúibíní ná méid na ranníocaíochta ó chistí poiblí.

3.2.1 General Capital Projects

No.	Institution	Type of Project	Cost (€m)
1	UCD	Veterinary School and Hospital	40.5(27.2)
2	MIC Limerick	Campus Development	25.4 (25.4)
	SPD Dublin	Campus Development	25.4 (25.4)
3	NUIM	Telecommunications, Education and Community Resource Centre	17.8(6.3)
4	NUIM	Infrastructure	3(3)
5	DCU	New Engineering School	25(7.6)
6	UCC/RCSI	Schools of Pharmacy	22.8
7	UCD	Clinton Centre for American Studies	3.2(3.2)
8	UCC UCD TCD NUIG	Social Work	5 (5)
9	UCC NUIG UL	Physiotherapy/ Speech and Language Therapy/ Occupational Therapy	20.5(20.5)
10	UCD	School of Physiotherapy and Diagnostic Imaging in Belfield	14.3(14.3)
11	DCU	Swimming Pool	7
12	UCD	Clinical Teaching Facility	2.3(2.3)
13	TCD	Manufacturing Engineering	1.266 (1.266)
14		Building Element Replacement	(8.9)
15		Capital Equipment Grant	(6.3)

3.2.1 Tionscadail Ghinearálta Caipitil

Uimh.	Institiúid	Cineál Tionscadail	Costas (€m)
1	COBÁC	Scoil agus Ospidéal Tréidliachta	40.5(27.2)
2	CMS Luimneach	Forbairt Champais	25.4 (25.4)
	CPDC Baile Átha Cliath	Forbairt Champais	25.4 (25.4)
3	ONÉ	Ionad Acmhainní Teileachumarsáide, Oideachais agus Pobail	17.8(6.3)
4	ONÉ	Infreastruchtúr	3(3)
5	OCBÁC	Scoil Nua Innealtóireachta	25(7.6)
6	COC/CRMÉ	Scoileanna Cógaslainne	22.8
7	COBÁC	Ionad Clinton do Staidéir Mheiriceánacha	3.2(3.2)
8	COBÁC COBÁC CTBÁC ONÉG	Obair Shóisialta	5 (5)
9	COC ONÉG OL	Fisiteiripe/ Teiripe Urlabhra agus Teanga/ Teiripe Shaothair	20.5(20.5)
10	COBÁC	Scoil Fisiteiripe agus Íomháu Diagnóiseacha i mBelfield	14.3(14.3)
11	OCBÁC	Linn Snámha	7
12	COBÁC	Saoráid Mhúinteoireachta Cliniciúil	2.3(2.3)
13	CTBÁC	Innealtóireacht Déantúsaíochta	1.266 (1.266)
14		Athsholáthar Eiliminte Tógála	(8.9)
15		Deontas Trealamh Chaipitil	(6.3)

3.2.2 Research Projects

Cycle 1			
No.	Institution	Type of Project	Cost (€m)
16	IT Athlone	Biopolymer and Molecular Research	1.3(0.6)
17	DCU	National Centre for Sensor Research	9.3(4.7)
18	DCU	Research Centre in Networks and Communications Technology	9.5(4.8)
19	DCU	National Centre for Plasma Science and Technology	6.1(3.0)
20	DIT	Optical Characterisation and Spectroscopic Facility	7.5(3.8)
21	IT Carlow	Biotechnology and Environmental Science Research	0.2(0.1)
22	NUIG	Biomedical Engineering	16.3(8.2)
23	NUIM	Bioscience research in immunology, bioengineering and agroecology	9.1(4.6)
24	RCSI	Biopharmaceutical Sciences (Gene Therapy)	8.1(4.1)
25	TCD	Institute for Advanced Material Science	10.5(5.3)
26	TCD	Institute for Information Technology and Advanced Computation Research (IITAC)	9.6(4.8)
27	TCD	Library and information Research Resource Centre	25.8(12.9)
28	UCC	Nanofabrication Facility	11.9(5.9)
29	UCC	Biosciences Institute	11.4(5.7)
30	UCD	Conway Institute for Biomolecular and Biomedical Research	24.7(12.4)
31	UCD	Institute for the Study of Social Change	3.5(1.7)
32	UL	Materials and Surface Science Institute	12.5(6.2)

Cycle 2			
No.	Institution	Type of Project	Cost (€m)
33	UCD	Dublin Molecular Medicine Centre (DMMC)	
34	TCD	Dublin Molecular Medicine Centre	20.8(10.8)
35	CIT	Research on Ecotoxicology, Waste Reduction and Air Pollution	1.2(0.6)
36	IT, Sligo	Sustainable Treatment, Recycling and Reuse of Biosolids	0.1(0.04)
37	NUIG	Environmental Change Institute	4.2(2.1)
38	NUIG	Centre for the Study of Human Settlement and Historical Change	1.2(0.6)
39	NUIM	National Institute for Regional and Spatial Analysis	1.2(1.1)
40	RCSI	Biopharmaceutical Sciences Network (BSN)	5.2(2.6)
41	UCC	Environmental Research Institute	11.7(5.9)
42	UCD	Institute for Urban Studies	3.2(2.9)

3.2.2 Tionscadail Taighde

Timthriall 1			
Uimh.	Institiúid	Cineál Tionscadail	Costas (€m)
16	IT Átha Luain	Taighde Bhithpholaiméir agus Mhóilíneach	1.3(0.6)
17	OCBÁC	Ionad Náisiúnta um Thaighde Shinsearach	9.3(4.7)
18	OCBÁC	Ionad Taighde i Líonraí agus i dTeicneolaíocht Chumarsáide	9.5(4.8)
19	OCBÁC	Ionad Náisiúnta um Eolaíochta agus Teicneolaíochta Plasma	6.1(3.0)
20	ITBÁC	Saoráid Speictreascópach agus Charachtrachta Optúil	7.5(3.8)
21	IT Ceatharlach	Taighde Bhiteicneolaíochta agus Eolaíochta an Chomhshaoil	0.2(0.1)
22	ONÉG	Innealtóireacht Bhithleighis	16.3(8.2)
23	ONÉMNI	Taighde eolaíochta bitheach in imdhíoneolaíocht, bithinnealtóireacht agus agra-éiceolaíocht	9.1(4.6)
24	CRMÉ	Eolaíochtaí Bithchógaisíochta (Géinteiripe)	8.1(4.1)
25	CTBÁC	Institiúid Ard-Eolaíochta na nÁbhar	10.5(5.3)
26	CTBÁC	Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise agus Taighde Ard-Ríomha (ITFTAR)	9.6(4.8)
27	CTBÁC	Ionad Acmhainne Taighde leabharlainne agus eolais	25.8(12.9)
28	COC	Saoráid Nanadhéanta	11.9(5.9)
29	COC	Institiúid na nEolaíochtaí Bitheacha	11.4(5.7)
30	COBÁC	Institiúid Conway um Thaighde Bhithmhóilíneach agus Bithleighis	24.7(12.4)
31	COBÁC	Institiúid um Staidéir Athraithe Sóisialta	3.5(1.7)
32	OL	Institiúid Eolaíochta Ábhar agus Dromchla	12.5(6.2)

Timthriall 2			
Uimh.	Institiúid	Cineál Tionscadail	Costas (€m)
33	COBÁC	Ionad Míochaine Mhóilíní Bhaile Átha Cliath (DMMC)	
34	CTBÁC	Ionad Míochaine Mhóilíní Bhaile Átha Cliath	20.8(10.8)
35	ITC	Taighde ar Éicea-Thocsaineolaíocht, Laghdú Fuollábhair agus Truailliú Aeir	1.2(0.6)
36	IT, Sligeach	Cóireáil Inbhuanaithe, Athchúrsáil agus Athúsáid Bhithsolaid	0.1(0.04)
37	ONÉG	Institiúid um Athraithe Comhshaoil	4.2(2.1)
38	ONÉG	Ionad Staidéir Lonnaíochta Daonna agus Athraithe Stairiúil	1.2(0.6)
39	ONÉMNI	Institiúid Náisiúnta um anailíse Réigiúnda agus Spásúlachta	1.2(1.1)
40	CRMÉ	Líonra Eolaíochtaí Bithchógaisíochta (BSN)	5.2(2.6)
41	COC	Institiúid Taighde Comhshaoil	11.7(5.9)
42	COBÁC	Institiúid um Staidéir Uirbeach	3.2(2.9)

Cycle 3			
No.	Institution	Type of Project	Cost (€m)
43	RCSI	Programme for Human Genomics in partnership with DMMC and the Biopharmaceutical	
	TCD UCD	Sciences Network	18.5(18.2)
44	DCU	National Institute for Cellular Biotechnology	18.5(18.1)
45	DIAS	Grid-enabled Computational Physics of Natural Phenomena	3.7(3.7)
46	IT Sligo	Sustainable Treatment, Waste Management and Reuse of Biosolids	1.5(1.2)
47	NUIG	Programme of Marine Research	10.4(9.9)
48	NUIG	Biomedical Engineering (Gene Therapy, Cell development and Genome instability)	7.1(7.1)
49	NIUG	Environmental Change Institute	0.3(0.3)
50	NUIG	Centre for the Study of Human Settlement and Historical Change	0.4(0.4)
51	NIUG	Innovation and Structural Change	0.9(0.9)
52	TCD	Institute of Neuroscience and the National Neuroscience Network	18.2(12.7)
53	TCD	Trinity Centre for Bioengineering	2.4(2.4)
54	TCD	Institution for Information Technology and Advanced Computation	5.0(5.0)
55	TCD	Advanced Materials Science	0.5(0.5)
56	TCD	Institute for International Integration Studies	2.7(2.7)
57	UCC	Science of Environmental Risk	1.1(1.1)
58	UCC	Research in Cancer and Cell signalling	6.1(6.1)
59	UCC	Research in Food and Health	1.4(1.4)
60	UCC	Research in Nano-photonics	13.4(0.0)
61	UCC	Research in Eco-electronics	4.0(4.0)
63	UCC	Integrative Reproductive Biology	1.1(1.1)
62	UCC	Analytical and Biological Chemistry Research Facility	6.2(6.2)
64	UCC	Informatics Research Centre	3.5(3.5)
65	UCC	Establishment of a Research Library	27.2(13.7)
66	UCD	Development of the Conway Institute	15.4(13.7)
67	UCD	Humanities Institute of Ireland	3.9(3.9)
68	UCD	Institute for the Study of Social Change (New Research Programme)	1.8(1.8)
69	WIT	Smart Space Management (Programme of Research)	1.6(1.6)

Timthriall 3			
Uimh.	Institiúid	Cineál Tionscadail	Costas (€m)
43	CRMÉ	Clár um Ghéanómaíocht Dhaonna i gcomhpháirtíocht le DMMC agus Bithchógaisíochta	
	CTBÁC COBÁC	Líonra Eolaíochtaí	18.5(18.2)
44	OCBÁC	Institiúid Náisiúnta um Bhteicneolaíocht Ceallach	18.5(18.1)
45	IABÁC	Fisic Ríomhaireactúil Ghreille-Chumasaithe d'Fheiniméin Nádúrtha	3.7(3.7)
46	IT Sligeach	Cóireáil Inbhuanaithe, Bainistíocht Athchúrsála agus Athúsáid Bhithsolaid	1.5(1.2)
47	ONÉG	Clár Taighde Mhuirí	10.4(9.9)
48	ONÉG	Innealtóireacht Bhithleighis (Géinteiripe, forbairt Cealla agus éagobhsaíocht Ghéanóime)	7.1(7.1)
49	ONÉG	Institiúid um Athraithe Comhshaoil	0.3(0.3)
50	ONÉG	Ionad Staidéir Lonnaíochta Daonna agus Athraithe Stairiúil	0.4(0.4)
51	ONÉG	Nuálaíocht agus Athrú Struchtúrtha	0.9(0.9)
52	CTBÁC	Institiúid Eolaíochta Néarchórais agus an Líonra Náisiúnta Néarchórais	18.2(12.7)
53	CTBÁC	Ionad um Bithinnealtóireacht na Tríonóide	2.4(2.4)
54	CTBÁC	Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Faisnéise agus Ard-Ríomhaireachta	5.0(5.0)
55	CTBÁC	Ard-Eolaíocht na nÁbhar	0.5(0.5)
56	CTBÁC	Institiúid um Staidéir Chomhcheangail Idirnáisiúnta	2.7(2.7)
57	COC	Eolaíocht Phriacail Chomhshaoil	1.1(1.1)
58	COC	Taighde ar Ailse agus comharthaíochta Cealla	6.1(6.1)
59	COC	Taighde ar Bhia agus ar Shláinte	1.4(1.4)
60	COC	Taighde ar Nanafótóinic	13.4(0.0)
61	COC	Taighde ar Éicileictreonaic	4.0(4.0)
63	COC	Bitheolaíocht Atáirgthe Imeascach	1.1(1.1)
62	COC	Saoráid do Thaighde Anailíseach agus Ceimice Bitheolaíochta	6.2(6.2)
64	COC	Ionad Taighde Faisnéisíochta	3.5(3.5)
65	COC	Bunú Leabharlainne Taighde	27.2(13.7)
66	COBÁC	Forbairt ar Institiúid Conway	15.4(13.7)
67	COBÁC	Institiúid na nDaonnachtaí in Éirinn	3.9(3.9)
68	COBÁC	Institiúid um Staidéar ar Athruithe Sóisialta (Clár Nua-Taighde)	1.8(1.8)
69	ITPL	Bainistíocht Ciallmhar Spáis (Clár Taighde)	1.6(1.6)

3.3 Review of Capital Investment in Higher Education

The period under review is one of special significance in the context of capital investment in higher education because of a government decision in November, 2002 not to proceed with capital investment in higher education institutions except in the case of projects for which contracts had already been signed. For economic reasons work on all other projects was suspended.

In 2003, the Minister for Education and Science requested the HEA to undertake a review of all capital projects in the third-level sector with a view to the prioritisation and phasing of the projects in the context of a multi-annual programme. The HEA set up a review group which commenced work in June 2003 and furnished its report in 2004. The Authority submitted the report and recommendations to the Minister in 2004.

The report, which was subsequently published, contained the following recommendations:

- a ten year expenditure programme totalling €933 million;
- a division of the programme into two phases of five years each;
- a capital minor works programme costing €60 million per annum, designed to ensure that the existing stock of buildings is adequately maintained in order to prevent the accumulation of the capital deficit revealed by the report;
- an equipment renewal programme costing €50 million annually (€30 million from capital and €20 million from recurrent sources) as a contribution towards an estimated €75 million cost of equipment renewal, in order to safeguard the quality of teaching and research in the sector, and
- a review of the entire capital programme in year four of the ten-year period.

In November 2004, the Minister for Education and Science indicated her agreement to the implementation of the report's recommendations. Approval was initially granted for such key projects as an increase in the number of places in Colleges of Education and the construction of a number of new facilities to support the provision of additional places in Speech and Language Therapy; Occupational Therapy; Social Work; Physiotherapy; Pharmacy; Radiography; and Clinical Psychology. (These projects are included in the above list.) Funding for a further tranche of projects is anticipated in 2005.

4. Promotion of Research in Higher Education

4.1 Programme of Research in Third Level Institutes (PRTLII)

The Programme for Research in Third Level Institutes (PRTLII) aims to support a strategic and planned approach by third-level institutions to the long-term development of their research capabilities, consistent with their existing and developing research strengths. There have been three cycles of the Programme to date. Awards to eleven institutions as leads, with six other institutions as partners in various projects, under Cycle 1 of the Programme to a total value of €206.1m were announced in July 1999. Similarly,

3.3 Athbheithniú ar Infheistíocht Chaipitil san Ardoideachas

Tá suntas ar leith ag baint leis an tréimhse atá faoi athbheithniú i gcomhthéacs infheistíochta caipitil san ardoideachas de bharr chinneadh an rialtais i Samhain, 2002 gan dul ar aghaidh le hinfeistíocht chaipitil in institiúidí ardoideachais ach amháin i gcás tionscadal a raibh conarthaí sínithe dóibh roimhe sin. Cuireadh obair ar gach tionscadal eile ar fionraí ar chúiseanna eacnamaíochta.

I 2003, d'iarr an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta ar an ÚAO athbheithniú a dhéanamh ar gach tionscadal caipitil san earnáil tríú leibhéal d'fhonn tosaíocht agus céimniú a dhéanamh ar na tionscadail i gcomhthéacs chlár ilbhiantúil. Chuir an ÚAO grúpa athbheithnithe le chéile a thosaigh ag obair i Meitheamh 2003 agus a sholáthair a thuarascáil i 2004. Chuir an tÚdarás an tuarascáil agus na moltaí faoi bhráid an Aire i 2004.

Bhí na moltaí seo a leanas sa tuarascáil a foilsíodh ina dhiaidh sin:

- plean caiteachais deich mbliana €933 milliún;
- an clár a bheith roinnt ina dhá chéim cúig bliana;
- mionchlár oibre caipitil ag cosaint €60 milliún in aghaidh na bliana, ceaptha lena chinntiú go ndéantar cothabháil cuí ar an stoc foirgneamh atá ann faoi láthair d'fhonn cosc a chur leis an gcarnadh ar easnamh caipitil a léiríodh sa tuarascáil;
- clár athnuachana trealaimh ag cosaint €50 milliún in aghaidh na bliana (€30 milliún ó chaipiteal agus €20 milliún ó fhoinsí teagmhasacha) mar íocaíocht i dtreo an chostais mheasta de €75 milliún d'athnuachan trealaimh, d'fhonn cáilíocht na múinteoireachta agus na taighde san earnáil seo a chosaint, agus
- athbheithniú ar an gclár iomlán caipitil sa cheathrú bliain den tréimhse deich mbliana.

I mí na Samhna 2004, thug an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta le fios gur aontaigh sí le moltaí na tuarascála a chur i bhfeidhm. Tugadh cead ar dtús do phríomhthionscadail mar mhéadú ar líon na n-áiteanna sna Coláistí Oideachais agus tógáil roinnt áiseanna nua chun tacú le soláthar áiteanna breise i dTeiripe Urlabhra agus Teanga; Teiripe Shaothair; Obair Shóisialta; Fisiteiripe; Cógaisíocht; Radagrafaíocht; agus Síceolaíocht Chliniciúil. (Tá na tionscadail seo áirithe sa liosta thuas.) Ceaptar go ndéanfar cistiúchán ar thráinse eile tionscadal i 2005.

4. Cur Chun Cinn na Taighde san Ardoideachas

4.1 Clár Taighde in Institiúidí Tríú Leibhéal (PRTLTI)

Is é cuspóir an Chláir um Thaighde in Institiúidí Tríú Leibhéal (PRTLTI) tacú le cur chuige straitéiseach pleanáilte ag na hinstitiúidí tríú leibhéal maidir le forbairt fadtéarmach ar a gcumas taighde, ag teacht leis na buanna taighde atá acu agus atá á bhforbairt acu. Bhí trí thimthriall den Chlár ann go dáta. Fógraíodh i mí Iúil 1999 go mbronnfaí dámhachtainí ar aon institiúid déag mar institiúidí cinnireachta, le sé institiúid eile mar pháirtithe i dtionscadail éagsúla, faoi Thimthriall 1 den Chlár le luach iomlán de

awards under Cycle 2 amounting to €78.5m for eight third level institutions as leads, with eight other institutions as partners in various projects, were announced in July 2000. Awards under Cycle 3 announced in December 2001 amounted to €320m and will be shared by ten institutions as leads, with thirteen other institutions as partners.

Programmes funded under both Cycle 1 and 2 are now, in the main, complete. Cycle 2 programmes were completed between September and December 2004.

Some key outputs of the PRTL I Programme include:

- Twenty-six Research Centres have already been built under the scheme and a further eight went to construction in 2004
- Over €134m has been provided for world class equipment, including X-ray diffraction systems, DNA sequencers and high performance clusters,
- Overall 97,000 square metres of new research space, including almost 20,000 square metres of new library space will be provided,

A key element in PRTL I proposals is the provision of post-graduate and post-doctoral research posts. During 2004, 100 postgraduate researchers and 229 post-doctoral researchers were employed under Cycle 2, with a further 537 postgraduate and 308 postdoctoral researchers employed on Cycle 3 projects. In excess of 1,600 researchers have been employed overall on PRTL I supported programmes.

There has been a significant increase in the number of non-national researchers employed under PRTL I programmes, indicating the increased attractiveness of the Irish research system. A total of 32% of postdoctoral and 20% of postgraduate researchers funded under PRTL I were attracted from abroad.

A comprehensive assessment of the progress, results and achievements of PRTL I to date commenced in the second half of 2003 and was published in mid-2004. The objectives of the assessment were to monitor the progress, performance and achievements of PRTL I programmes and to address broader research policy and funding issues, including the role of PRTL I in the capital funding of core research capacity in Ireland.

An independent international Assessment Committee was established to carry out the assessment and to make recommendations. The review involved, over a period of eight months, in the region of 100 international experts and peers, engaging directly with approximately 400 individuals in over 40 institutions and organizations. Site visits were held, together with desk reviews, bibliometric analysis, data and information collation, interviews and meetings. Two independent consultancy groups supported the work.

€206.1m. Mar an gcéanna, fógraíodh dámhachtainí faoi Thimthriall 2 de €78.5m idir ocht n-institiúid tríd leibhéal mar institiúidí cinnreachta, le hocht n-institiúid eile mar pháirtithe i dtionscadail éagsúla, i mí Iúil 2000. Fógraíodh dámhachtainí de €320m faoi Thimthriall 3 i mí na Nollag 2001 agus roinnfear ar deich n-institiúid cinnreachta é, le trí institiúid déag eile mar pháirtithe.

Tá na Cláir a cistíodh faoi Thimthriall 1 agus 2 críochnaithe, den chuid is mó, anois. Críochnaíodh cláir Thimthriall 2 idir Meán Fómhair agus Nollaig 2004.

Ar chuid de phríomh-aschur an Chláir PRTLÍ tá:

- Tá sé Ionad is fiche Taighde tógtha faoin scéim cheana féin agus tosaíodh ar ocht gcinn eile a thógáil i 2004
- Soláthraíodh luach os cionn €134m de threalamh den scoth, ar a raibh córais díraonta x-ghathacha, seicheamhóirí ADN,
- Cuirfear 97,000 méadar cearnach spáis nua taighde ar fáil, ar a mbeidh beagnach 20,000 méadar cearnach de spás nua leabharlainne,

Príomheilimint i moltaí an PRTLÍ is ea poist taighde iarchéime agus iardhochtúireachta a sholáthar. I rith 2004, fostaíodh 100 taighdeoir iarchéime agus 229 taighdeoir iardhochtúireachta faoi Thimthriall 2, le 537 taighdeoir breise iarchéime agus 308 taighdeoir breise iardhochtúireachta fostaithe ar thionscadail Thimthriall 3. Fostaíodh breis agus 1,600 taighdeoir ar fad ar chláir a raibh tacaíocht PRTLÍ acu.

Tá méadú suntasach ar líon na dtaighdeoirí neamhnáisiúnacha a fostaíodh faoi chláir PRTLÍ, ag léiriú go bhfuil méadú ar tharraingteacht an chórais taighde Éireannach. Tháinig 32% de thaighdeoirí iardhochtúireachta agus 20% de thaighdeoirí iarchéime a bhí cistithe faoi PRTLÍ ón iasacht.

Tosaíodh ar athbhreithniú cuimsitheach ar dhul chun cinn, ar thorthaí agus ar ar bhain PRTLÍ amach go dáta sa dara leath de 2003 agus foilsíodh é i lár mid-2004. Ba iad cuspóirí an athbhreithnithe ná monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar dhul chun cinn, ar fheidhmíocht agus ar ar bhain cláir PRTLÍ amach agus le haghaidh a thabhairt ar cheisteanna níos leithne polasaí agus cistiúcháin, chomh maith le ról PRTLÍ i gcistiúchán caipitil ar chroí-acmhainn taighde in Éirinn.

Bunaíodh Coiste Measúnaithe idirnáisiúnta neamhspleách chun measúnú a dhéanamh agus chun moltaí a dhéanamh. Bhí timpeall 100 saineolaí agus comhpháirtí idirnáisiúnta i gceist san athbhreithniú, thar thréimhse ocht mí, a bhí ag obair go díreach le timpeall 400 duine aonair agus os cionn 40 institiúid agus eagraíocht. Tugadh cuairteanna ar láithreacha, in éineacht le hathbhreithnithe deisce, anailís bhiblemhéadrach, comhthiomsú sonraí agus eolais, agallaimh agus cruinnithe. Thug dhá ghrúpa neamhspleách comhairleach tacaíocht don obair.

The Assessment Committee concluded that the PRTLTI is on its way to meeting all of its objectives, acknowledging it has had very positive impacts on institutional strategic planning, inter-institutional co-operation, and on the quality of research being produced in Ireland. The assessors also endorsed the essential link between research and teaching and learning, and consider the programme to be 'ambitious and farsighted'. (The full report is available at <http://www.hea.ie/index.cfm/page/sub/id/906>)

4.2 North-South Research Programmes

4.2.1 North-South Programme for Collaborative Research

This programme was established as part of a commitment made by the government in the National Development Plan (2000-2006). The aim of this strand of funding is to support collaborative research and development between third level institutions on the island. It is envisaged that the island as whole will benefit through the promotion of innovation and competitiveness thereby boosting human potential in research, science and technology, and strengthening the research capabilities of the higher education sector, North and South. Twenty-One projects were selected for funding totalling €5.5m over 3 years, which commenced in 2003.

It is forecast that over the lifetime of the programme 20 postgraduate and 8 postdoctoral awards will be made. Projects progressed in 2004. (Details of the projects funded are available at <http://www.hea.ie/index.cfm/page/sub/id/793>)

4.2.2 Cross Border Programme for Research and Development contributing to Peace and Reconciliation

A second programme, 'the Cross Border Programme for Research and Education contributing to Peace and Reconciliation' is a new development which is taking place involving researchers from Northern Irish third level institutions working in partnership with researchers south of the border. It is a joint initiative between the Department of Education and Science, Dublin and the Department for Employment and Learning in Belfast and is managed by the HEA and funded by the Special EU Programmes Body.

A key component of the funded projects is the engagement of researchers with the wider community and the dissemination of information to appropriate groups including the community and voluntary sector, schools, local communities, local businesses and is strongly people-oriented. A Steering Committee, which includes community and voluntary sector representatives, was established to oversee the programme. Ms Sile De Valera, T.D., Minister of State, Department of Education and Science, launched the programme in Cavan in May, 2004

Ba é conclúid an Choiste Mheasúnaithe go raibh an PRTLÍ ar tí a chuspóirí go léir a bhaint amach, á aithint go raibh tionchair an-dearfacha aige ar phleanáil straitéiseach institiúideach, ar chomhoibriú idir-institiúideach, agus ar cháilíocht na taighde atá á déanamh in Éirinn. Thug na measúnóirí tacaíocht freisin don nasc riachtanach idir taighde agus múinteoireacht agus foghlaim, agus cheapadar go raibh an clár 'uailmhianach agus fadcheannach'. (Tá an tuarascáil iomlán ar fáil ag <http://www.hea.ie/index.cfm/page/sub/id/906>)

4.2 Clár Taighde Thuaidh-Theas

4.2.1 Clár Thuaidh-Theas do Thaighde Chomhoibríoch

Bunaíodh an clár seo mar chuid de ghealltanas a thug an rialtas sa Phlean Forbartha Náisiúnta (2000-2006). Is é aidhm an tsnáithe cistiúcháin seo tacaíocht a thabhairt do thaighde agus forbairt chomhoibríoch idir na hinstiúidí tríú leibhéal ar an oileán. Feictear go mbeidh cur chun cinn nuálaíochta agus iomaíochta chun leasa an oileáin go léir agus ag cur dá réir sin leis an acmhainn daonna i dtaighde, in eolaíocht agus i dteicneolaíocht, agus ag neartú cumais taighde na hearnála ardoideachais, Thuaidh agus Theas. Roghnaíodh Tionscadal is Fiche do chistiúchán de €5.5m thar 3 bliana, agus thosaigh seo i 2003.

Tá sé tuartha go ndéanfar 20 dámhachtain iarchéime agus 8 gcinn iardhochtúireachta thar shaolré an chláir. Tionscadail a chuaigh ar aghaidh i 2004. (Tá sonraí ar na tionscadail a cistíodh ar fáil ag <http://www.hea.ie/index.cfm/page/sub/id/793>)

4.2.2 Clár Taighde agus Forbartha Trasteorann ag cur le Síocháin agus Athmhuintearas

Is forbairt nua é an dara clár, 'Clár Trasteorann Taighde agus Oideachais ag cur le Síocháin agus Athmhuintearas' atá ar siúl le taighdeoirí ó instiúidí tríú leibhéal Thuaisceart Éireann ag obair i bpáirtíocht le taighdeoirí ón taobh ó dheas den teorainn. Is comhthionscnamh é idir an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochtaí, Baile Átha Cliath agus an Roinn Fostaíochta agus Foghlama i mBéal Feirste agus é á bhainistiú ag an ÚAO agus é cistithe ag Eagraíocht na gClár Speisialta an AE.

Príomh-comhpháirt de na tionscadail cistithe is ea páirtíocht na dtaighdeoirí leis an bpobal agus leathadh eolais ar ghrúpaí oiriúnacha chomh maith leis an earnáil deonach agus pobail, scoileanna, pobail áitiúla, gnóthaí áitiúla agus tá sé dírithe go láidir ar dhaoine. Bunaíodh Coiste Stiúrtha, ar a bhfuil ionadaithe ón earnáil deonach agus pobail, chun maoirsiú a dhéanamh ar an gclár. Sheol Síle De Valera, T.D., Aire Stáit, An Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta, an clár sa Chabhán i mBealtaine, 2004.

4.3 Irish Research eLibrary (IRel) Initiative

As a result of the greatly enhanced levels of research funding made available through e.g. PRTL and SFI, there was a sharp increase in research activity in Irish higher education institutions from the closing years of the twentieth century. This in turn created a need among academic researchers for access to a much wider range of e-journals. Discussions took place between representatives of the HEA, SFI and the CHIU Librarians group that led to the introduction in 2004 of a joint initiative by the HEA and SFI entitled the Irish Research eLibrary (IRel) initiative.

The scheme was designed so that access to journal articles in electronic form would be available to researchers throughout the higher education system, beginning with the university sector with access to follow for researchers in the Institutes of Technology. One effect of this networked approach was that significant economies of scale were achieved through centralised negotiations, administration and purchasing of resources.

It was agreed between the HEA and the SFI that the annual allocation to the scheme should be €4.5m and that the cost should be shared between the SFI and the HEA on the basis that SFI would bear the full cost of the scheme in 2004 with the cost transferring to the HEA by annual cumulative increments of 25%. From 2008 the full annual cost of the scheme will be borne by the HEA. The initial focus of the scheme was on titles in the science and technology area but the needs of researchers in the humanities and social sciences are also comprehended within the ambit of the scheme.

4.4 Transport Research Programme

The Department of Transport had established a fund through the National Development Plan 2000-2006 to facilitate the growth of academic research in areas of interest to the surface transport sector. A key goal of the programme is to build up the intellectual capability and knowledge base in such areas in Ireland to facilitate the availability of skilled professionals in resourcing this important sector and to enable the development of policy driven research. The HEA administers the fund on behalf of the Department of Transport.

Four projects, which were approved for funding in 2002, progressed in 2004 and will continue until 2005.

4.5 Standing Committee of Research Funding Bodies

The Standing Committee of the Research Funding Bodies was formed in early 2002, when a number of research funding bodies agreed to work together to maximise the contribution of their organisations to achieving the national goal of building world class research capacity in Ireland. The Standing Committee was established to ensure coordination and coherence in process, planning and scheduling and the exploitation of inter-programme complementarities.

4.3 Tionscnamh Taighde eLeabharlainne (IRel) na hÉireann

Mar thoradh ar an méadú mór atá ar leibhéal an chistiúcháin taighde atá curtha ar fáil tríd m.sh. PRTLÍ agus FEÉ, tháinig méadú géar ar ghníomhaíocht taighde in institiúidí ardoideachais na hÉireann ó bhlianta deireanacha na fichiú aoise. Chruthaigh seo dá réir sin riachtanas i measc lucht taighde acadúil rochtain a bheith acu ar réimse i bhfad níos leithne de e-irisí. Bhí cainteanna ann idir ionadaithe an ÚAO, FEÉ agus grúpa Leabharlainnaí an CHIÚ agus astu sin a bunaíodh comhthionscnamh an ÚAO agus FEÉ i 2004 dar teideal Tionscnamh Taighde eLeabharlainne (IRel) na hÉireann.

Ceapadh an scéim i dtreo is go mbeadh fáil ag lucht taighde ar altanna irise i bhfoirm leictreonach ar fud an chórais ardoideachais, ag tosú le hearnáil na hollscolaíochta le rochtain le fáil ina dhiaidh sin ag lucht taighde sna hInstitiúidí Teicneolaíochta. Tionchar amháin a bhí ag an gcur chuige gréasánach seo ná gur baineadh barainneachtaí an mhórsála amach trí idirbheartaíocht, riarachán agus ceannach acmhainní a bheith lárnaithe.

Aontaíodh idir an ÚAO agus an FEÉ gur chóir go ndéanfaí leithdháileadh bliantúil de €4.5m ar an scéim agus go roinnfí an costas idir an FEÉ agus an ÚAO ar an mbonn go n-íocfadh an FEÉ iomlán an chostais a bheadh ar an scéim i 2004 agus go n-aistreofaí an costas go dtí an ÚAO de réir incrimintí carnacha bliantúla de 25%. Ó 2008 beidh costas iomlán bliantúil na scéime á íoc ag an ÚAO. Bhí fócas tosaigh na scéime ar theidil sa réimse eolaíochta agus teicneolaíochta ach tuigtear riachtanais na ndaonnachtaí agus na n-eolaíochtaí sóisialta freisin laistigh de raon na scéime.

4.4 Clár taighde Iompair

Bhunaigh an Roinn Iompair ciste tríd an bPlean Forbartha Náisiúnta 2000-2006 d'fhonn éascú a dhéanamh ar fhás taighde acadúil i réimsí inspéise don earnáil iompair dhromchlach. Príomhchuspóir den chlár is ea tógáil ar chumas intleachta agus ar bhonn eolais ina leithéid de réimsí in Éirinn chun éascú a dhéanamh ar an teacht a bheadh ar ghairmithe sciliúla chun acmhainní a chur ar fáil don earnáil tábhachtach seo agus chun forbairt taighde polasaíthiomáinte a cheadú. Riarann an ÚAO an ciste thar ceann an Roinn Iompair.

Chuathas ar aghaidh le ceithre thionscadal i 2004, ar ceadaíodh cistiúchán dóibh i 2002, agus leanfar leo go dtí 2005.

4.5 Coiste Seasta na nEagraíochtaí Cistiúcháin Taighde

Cuireadh Coiste Seasta na nEagraíochtaí Cistiúcháin Taighde le chéile go luath i 2002, nuair a d'aontaigh roinnt eagraíochtaí cistiúcháin taighde oibriú le chéile d'fhonn uaschion tairbhe a bhaint amach dá n-eagraíocht agus an cuspóir náisiúnta d'acmhainn taighde den scoth a fhorbairt in Éirinn. Bunaíodh an Coiste Seasta lena chinntiú go mbeadh comhordú agus comhleanúnachas i bpróiseas, pleanáil agus sceidealú agus go mbainfí leas as comhlántachtaí idir-chláir.

The participating agencies are Enterprise Ireland (EI), the Health Research Board (HRB), the Higher Education Authority (HEA), the Irish Research Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences (IRCHSS), the Irish Research Council for Science, Engineering and Technology (IRCSET), and Science Foundation Ireland (SFI). The HEA chaired the Committee for 2003/04. One of the significant tasks undertaken during this period is the initiation of a pilot study to review management procedures for research funding within institutions where funding is received from a multitude of sources.

4.6 Digital Research Fund

The government introduced a digital research fund in 2000 to encourage research collaboration between Irish third-level institutions and Media Lab Europe (MLE). €1.27m is allocated annually to the fund. The HEA administers the fund on behalf of the Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources. Projects progressed in the course of 2004. A project funded by the Programme won the O2 Digital Media Innovation award in the Consumer category. (Details of the projects funded are available at: <http://www.hea.ie/index.cfm/page/sub/id/826>)

5. Policy and Planning

5.1 Review of University Equality Policies

The HEA has a statutory function, under the Universities Act, 1997, to review university equality policies, thereby assisting the universities in developing their strategies and programmes to ensure equality of opportunity for both students and staff. In 2003 the HEA appointed a high level group to review university policies and to report to the Authority on their findings. The membership of the review group was as follows:

- Mr Maurice O’Connell, Former Governor of the Central Bank of Ireland, Chair
- Dr Tony Crooks, Chief Executive, Area Development Management Limited
- Dr Maureen Gaffney, Chairperson of the National Economic and Social Forum
- Professor Ossi V. Lindqvist, Director of the Institute of Applied Technology, Kuopio, Finland
- Ms Laura Lundy, School of Law, Queen’s University Belfast

Specifically the review group was asked to report the following to the HEA:

- Report on the preparation and implementation of equality policies in the universities with regard to best national international practice
- Make such recommendations as to how universities might enhance their equality policies and their implementation
- Make such recommendations as to how the HEA, and other appropriate State or non-State bodies might better assist the universities in enhancing equality

Is iad na gníomhaireachtaí atá rannpháirteach ná Fiontraíocht Éireann (FÉ), an Bord Taighde Sláinte (BTS), an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas (ÚAO), Coiste Taighde na hÉireann do na Daonnachtaí agus Eolaíochtaí Sóisialta (CTÉDES), Coiste Taighde na hÉireann d'Eolaíocht, Innealtóireacht agus Teicneolaíocht (CTÉEIT), agus Fondúireacht Eolaíochta na hÉireann (FEÉ). Bhí cathaoirleacht an Choiste ag an ÚAO do 2003/04. Ceann de na tascanna suntasacha ar tugadh fúthu i rith na tréimhse seo ná tús a chur le staidéar pólótach chun athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar nósanna imeachta bainistíochta do chistiúchán taighde laistigh d'institiúidí mar a bhfaightear cistiúchán ó iliomad foinsí.

4.6 Ciste Taighde Digiteach

Thug an rialtas ciste taighde digiteach isteach i 2000 chun comhoibriú taighde a spreagadh idir institiúidí tríú leibhéal na hÉireann agus Media Lab Europe (MLE). Déantar leithdháileadh ar €1.27m ar an gciste go bliantúil. Riarann an ÚAO an ciste thar ceann an Roinn Cumarsáide, Mara agus Acmhainní Náidúrtha. Chuathas ar aghaidh le tionscadail i rith 2004. Bhuaigh tionscadal a cistíodh faoin gClár duais Nuálaíochta Meáin Digiteach O2 i gcatagóir an Tomhaltóra. (Tá sonraí de na tionscadail ar déanadh cistiúchán orthu ar fáil ag <http://www.hea.ie/index.cfm/page/sub/id/826>)

5. Polasaí agus Pleanáil

5.1 Athbhreithniú ar Pholasaithe Comhionannais na nOllscoileanna

Tá feidhm reachtúil ag an ÚAO, faoi Acht na nOllscoileanna, 1997, athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar pholasaithe comhionannais na n-ollscoileanna, ag cabhrú dá réir sin leis na hollscoileanna i bhforbairt a straitéisí agus a gclár d'fhonn comhionannas deise a chinntiú do mhic léinn agus don fhoireann. I 2003 cheap an ÚAO grúpa ardleibhéal chun athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar pholasaithe na hollscoile agus tuairisc a thabhairt don Údarás ar a dtorthaí. Ba mar seo a leanas a bhí ballraíocht an ghrúpa athbhreithnithe:

- Mr. Maurice O'Connell, Iar-Ghobharnóir Bhanc Ceannais na hÉireann, Cathaoirleach
- An Dr Tony Crooks, Príomhfheidhmeannach, Area Development Management Limited
- An Dr Maureen Gaffney, Cathaoirleach an Fhóiraim Náisiúnta Eacnamaíoch agus Sóisialach
- An tOllamh Ossi V. Lindqvist, Stiúrthóir na hInstitiúide Teicneolaíochta Feidhmí, Kuopio, An Fhionlainn
- Ms Laura Lundy, Scoil na Dí, Ollscoil na Ríona, Béal Feirste

Iarradh ar an ngrúpa athbhreithnithe ach go háirithe tuarascáil a thabhairt orthu seo a leanas don ÚAO:

- Tuarascáil ar ullmhúchán agus cur i bhfeidhm pholasaithe comhionannais sna hollscoileanna agus ceann á thógáil den chleachtas is fearr náisiúnta agus idirnáisiúnta
- Moltaí a dhéanamh ar conas ab fhéidir le hollscoileanna feabhas a chur ar a bpolasaithe comhionannais agus ar a gcur i bhfeidhm
- Moltaí a dhéanamh ar conas ab fhéidir leis an ÚAO, agus le heagraíochtaí eile oiriúnacha Stáit agus NeamhStáit cabhrú níos fearr le hollscoileanna le feabhas a chur ar chomhionannas

The report was published in 2004. The report notes the role of the universities in widening access to higher education. The universities have put in place actions such as

- Outreach involvement at local community level, to raise aspirations of students within those communities
- Working with second-level disadvantaged schools to support disadvantaged students in entering higher education
- Provision of schemes for direct entry for under-represented groups (bypassing the normal CAO requirements)
- Structures to support students to participate in higher education.

However, the Report notes if expectations in relation to access to higher education are to be met, there is a need for a national strategy to build on the work done by the individual universities. The strategy should embrace such issues as setting targets and outcomes, putting in place measures for data collection and measurement, and review of funding instruments so as to best target support to those in need.

5.2 Disabilities Report

The Association for Higher Education Access and Disability (AHEAD) has carried out, on behalf of the HEA, two surveys that chart the participation rates of students with disabilities in higher education. The first survey was carried out in 1993/94 and the second in 1998/99. Preliminary results suggest that there has been an increase in the number of students with disabilities attending higher education. The increase can be attributed to the range of initiatives and positive strategies put in place by the HEA and by the individual HEIs. Nevertheless, progress has been slow and too few students with a disability are afforded the opportunity to participate in higher education. This issue continues to be addressed through the targeted funding for widened access that is available through the Strategic Initiative Scheme and will also be a priority area for the National Office for Equity of Access to Higher Education which was established in 2003.

5.3 Alternative Entry to Health Care Courses

The Minister for Education and Science requested the HEA to carry out a review of the current system of entry to third level health professional courses. The rationale for the review arose out of concerns regarding the high entry points associated with such courses and the educational impact of the “points race”.

The review was completed in September 2003 and recommended that entry to such courses should be at primary degree/graduate level and that applications should be accepted from graduates of a wide range of disciplines. The advantages of such an approach include:

- Students at second level are free to choose subjects of interest rather than be driven by the need to maximise points

Foilsíodh an tuarascáil i 2004. Tugann an tuarascáil ról na n-ollscoileanna maidir le rochtain ar an ardoideachas a leathnú. Tá gníomhartha bunaithe ag na hollscoileanna mar

- Páirtíocht for-rochtana ar leibhéal an phobail áitiúil, chun barrmhianta na mac léinn laistigh de na pobail seo a ardú
- Oibriú le scoileanna dara leibhéal atá faoi mhíbhuntáiste chun tacú le mic léinn atá faoi mhíbhuntáiste agus iad ag dul isteach san ardoideachas
- Scéimeanna a sholáthar d'iontráil díreach do ghrúpaí faoi ghannionadaíocht (ag seachaint na ngnáthriachtanas CAO)
- Struchtúir chun tacaíocht a thabhairt do mhic léinn a bheith rannpháirteach san ardoideachas.

Mar sin féin, deirtear sa Tuarascáil má táthar le hionchais a bhaint amach maidir le rochtain ar ardoideachas, go bhfuil gá le straitéis náisiúnta le tógáil ar an obair atá déanta ag ollscoileanna aonair. Ba chóir go gcuimseodh an straitéis ceisteanna mar spriocanna agus torthaí a shocrú, céimeanna a bheith ann do bhailiú agus do thomhas sonraí, agus athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar ionstraimí cistiúcháin d'fhonn tacaíocht a dhíriú orthu siúd atá i ngátar.

5.2 Tuarascáil Mhíchumas

Tá dhá shuirbhé déanta ag an gCumann um Rochtain ar Ardoideachas agus Míchumas (AHEAD), thar ceann an ÚAO, a rianaíonn rátaí rannpháirtíochta na mac léinn atá faoi mhíchumas san ardoideachas. Déanadh an chéad suirbhé i 1993/94 agus an dara ceann i 1998/99. Tugann na torthaí tosaigh le fios go bhfuil méadú taghta ar líon na mac léinn atá faoi mhíchumas atá ag freastal ar ardoideachas. Is féidir an méadú a chur i leith an réimse tionscnamh agus straitéisí dearfacha a chuir an ÚAO agus IAOanna indibhidiúla ann. Mar sin féin, tá an dul chun cinn mall agus tá níos lú mac léinn ná mar ba chóir atá faoi mhíchumas ag tapú na deise a bheith rannpháirteach san ardoideachas. Tá aghaidh á thabhairt ar an gceist i gcónaí trí sprioc-chistiúchán chun an rochtain atá ar fáil tríd an Scéim Tionscnaimh Straitéise a leathnú agus beidh seo ina ábhar tosaíochta freisin ag an Oifig Náisiúnta um Chomhionannas Rochtana ar Ardoideachas a bunaíodh i 2003.

5.3 Iontráil Chomhroghnach ar Chúrsaí Cúraim Sláinte

D'iarr an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta ar an ÚAO athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar an gcóras iontrála atá ann faoi láthair ar chúrsaí tríú leibhéal na gairme sláinte. D'éirigh an réasúnaíocht don athbhreithniú as imní maidir leis na pointí arda iontrála a bhaineann lena leithéid de chúrsaí agus an tionchar atá ag "rás na bpointí" ar oideachas.

Críochnaíodh an t-athbhreithniú i Meán Fómhair 2003 agus moladh go mbeadh iontráil ar a leithéid de chúrsaí ar leibhéal bunchéime/céime agus go nglacfaí le hiarratais ó chéimithe ó réimse leathan araíonachta. Ar na buntáistí a bhaineann lena leithéid de chur chuige tá:

- Go mbíonn saoirse ag mic léinn dara leibhéal na hábhair is spéis leo a roghnú gan brú a bheith orthu uasmhéid pointí a bhaint amach

- Health science courses can be shortened and focused
- It provides opportunities to enhance the quality of education and training provided and to benefit from the wider skills and experiences that graduates will bring to these courses

Following the completion of this review a Working Group on Undergraduate Medical Education was established in late 2003 to progress the recommendations of this review. The Working Group is chaired by Professor Pat Fottrell, President Emeritus, NUI Galway.

5.4 OECD Review

In August 2003, the Minister for Education and Science announced that the OECD had been invited to carry out a review of higher education in Ireland. The context for the review is provided by Ireland's strategic objective of placing its higher education system in the top rank of the OECD in terms of both quality and levels of participation and by the priority to create a world class research, development and innovation capacity and infrastructure in Ireland as part of the wider EU objective for becoming the world's most competitive and dynamic knowledge-based economy and society. The terms of reference for the review are broad and wide-ranging in scope and cover the following areas:

- Role of higher education
- Strategic management and structure
- Teaching and learning
- Research and development
- Investment and financing
- International competitiveness

The review took place in February 2004 and the report was published in September 2004. The HEA devoted considerable time in 2003 to the preparation of a submission, covering all aspects of the terms of reference, to the review team. The report of the OECD team was released in September 2004, and is being considered by the Minister for Education and Science, as well as the HEA and other key stakeholders.

5.5 International Education Study

In September 2003, the HEA completed a major review of international developments in the provision of third level education to overseas students and the levels of participation by overseas students in Ireland.

While the review found that Ireland was a relatively significant player in the provision of overseas education, it also suggested that there was considerable growth opportunities for the future. It recommended that a Strategy Board should be established to drive forward strategy into the future. The key functions of the Board would be policy development and oversight, while working with the institutions and other key agencies in the management of a national strategy to attract overseas students to Ireland. The establishment of the Board would address two overarching concerns – the need for greater clarity of policy, and the need for greater coherence of effort.

- Is féidir cúrsaí eolaíochta sláinte a ghiorrú agus a bheith fócasaithe
- Soláthraíonn sé deiseanna cur le cáilíocht an oideachais agus na hoiliúna a sholáthraítear agus le leas a bhaint as scileanna agus taithí níos leithne na gcéimithe a dhéanfaidh na cúrsaí seo

Nuair a bhí an t-athbhreithniú seo críochnaithe bunaíodh Meitheal Oibre ar Oideachas Leighis Fhochéime i ndeireadh 2003 chun moltaí an athbhreithnithe seo a chur chun cinn. Bhí an tOllamh Pat Fottrell, Uachtarán Emeritus, ONÉ Gaillimh ina chathaoirleach ar an Meitheal Oibre.

5.4 Athbhreithniú ECFE

I mí Lúnasa 2003, d'fhógair an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta gur tugadh cuireadh don ECFE athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar ardoideachas in Éirinn. Tugtar comhthéacs don athbhreithniú i gcuispóir straitéiseach na hÉireann a córas ardoideachais a bheith i mbarr céime an ECFE i dtéarmaí cáilíochta agus leibhéil rannpháirtíochta agus tosaíocht á thabhairt d'acmhainn agus infreastruchtúr taighde, forbartha agus nuálaíochta den scoth a chruthú in Éirinn mar chuid de chuspóir níos leithne an AE ar bheith ar an eacnamaíocht agus an sochaí eolasbhunaithe is iomaithe agus is dinimici ar domhan. Tá téarmaí tagartha an athbhreithnithe leathan agus fairsing ina scóip agus clúdaíonn siad na réimsí seo a leanas:

- Ról an ardoideachais
- Bainistíocht agus struchtúr straitéiseach
- Múineadh agus foghlaim
- Taighde agus forbairt
- Infheistíocht agus maoiniú
- Iomaíochas idirnáisiúnta

Déanadh an t-athbhreithniú i mí Feabhra 2004 agus foilsíodh an tuarascáil i Meán Fómhair 2004. Chaith an ÚAO cuid mhór ama i 2003 le hullmhúchán aighneachta ag clúdach gach gné de na téarmaí tagartha d'fhonn athbhreithniú a déanamh orthu. Urscaoileadh tuarascáil fhoireann an ECFE i Meán Fómhair 2004, agus tá sé á mheas ag an Aire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta, chomh maith leis an ÚAO agus príomhpháirtithe eile leasmhara.

5.5 Staidéar Oideachais Idirnáisiúnta

I Meán Fómhair 2003, chríochnaigh an ÚAO mór-athbhreithniú ar fhorbairtí idirnáisiúnta i soláthar oideachais tríú leibhéal do mhic léinn ón iasacht agus leibhéil rannpháirtíochta na mac léinn iasachta in Éirinn.

Cé go ndúradh sa tuarascáil go raibh suntas mós ard ag baint le hÉirinn mar sholáthróir oideachais eachtranaigh, tugadh le fios freisin gurbh ann do dheiseanna móra fáis sa todhchaí. Mhol sé go mbunófaí Bord Straitéise d'fhonn straitéis a thiomáint sa todhchaí. Bheadh forbairt pholasaí agus maoirseacht mar phríomhchúram ar an mBord, agus é ag obair leis na hinstiúidí agus leis na príomhghníomhaireachtaí i mbainistíocht straitéise náisiúnta chun mic léinn ón iasacht a mhealladh go hÉirinn. Thabharfadh bunú an Bhoird aghaidh ar dhá chásmaireacht uileghabhálach – an gá atá le níos mó soiléire i bpolasaí, agus an gá atá le níos mó comhleanúnachais iarrachta.

In August 2003, the Minister for Education and Science established an inter-Departmental committee to consider the recommendations of the review and to advise on a strategy for the future.

5.6 Enterprise Strategy Group

The Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment established the Enterprise Strategy Group (ESG), chaired by Mr Eoin O'Driscoll, in 2003. The Group was charged with the task of assessing enterprise development in Ireland and advising on the key issues and strategies for the development of enterprise into the future.

At the end of 2003, the HEA made a submission to the Enterprise Strategy Group that set out the key higher education and research policy actions required for Ireland to become a knowledge based innovation society. Specifically, the submission focused on the following priorities:

- The need for increased investment in higher education in order for Irish performance to be among the top performing OECD countries.
- The need for the development of effective structures to support both knowledge production and knowledge transfer.
- The need for greater stability in research funding through the establishment of the “Knowledge Ireland Fund”. This would be a statutory fund with exchequer funding provided for five years and rolled forward annually.

The ESG published its report “Ahead of the Curve - Ireland’s Place in the Global Economy” in July 2004.

6 Compliance with Legislation/Codes of Practice applicable to Public Bodies

6.1 Freedom of Information Act

With effect from January 2001, the HEA has been covered by the provisions of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act, 1997. This Act established three new statutory rights

1. a legal right for each person to access information held by public bodies;
2. a legal right for each person to have official information relating to him/herself amended where it is; incomplete, incorrect or misleading;
3. a legal right to obtain reasons for decisions affecting oneself

To date the HEA has received twenty requests (October 2001 – December 2003)

Copies of Section 15 Manual (Structure and Functions of the Authority) and Section 16 Manual (outlines the rules, regulations and precedents used by the HEA in carrying out its functions) are available on the HEA website. www.heai.ie

I mí Lúnasa 2003, bhunaigh an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta coiste idir-Rannach chun moltaí an athbheithnithe a mheas agus chun comhairle a thabhairt ar straitéis don todhchaí.

5.6 Grúpa Straitéise Fiontraíochta

Bhunaigh an tAire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta Grúpa Straitéise Fiontraíochta (FGS), agus Eoin O'Driscoll ina chathaoirleach air, i 2003. Ba é an cúram a cuireadh ar an nGrúpa ná measúnú a dhéanamh ar fhorbairt fiontraíochta in Éirinn agus comhairle a thabhairt ar phríomhcheisteanna agus straitéisí forbartha fiontraíochta sa todhchaí.

Ag deireadh 2003, chuir an ÚAO aighneacht faoi bhráid an Ghrúpa Straitéise Fiontraíochta a leag amach na príomhghníomhartha polasaí ardoideachais a bhí ag teastáil chun go mbeadh sochaí na hÉireann nuálaíoch agus eolasbhunaithe. Dhírigh an aighneacht ar na tosaíochtaí seo a leanas ach go háirithe:

- An gá atá le méadú ar infheistíocht san ardoideachas i dtreo is go mbeadh an feidhmíocht Éireannach ar cheann de thíortha tosaigh feidhmíochta an OECD.
- An gá atá le struchtúir éifeachtacha a fhorbairt chun tacaíocht a thabhairt do tháirgeadh agus aistriú eolais.
- An gá atá le níos mó cobhsaíochta i gcistiúchán taighde tríd an “Ciste Eolais Éireann” a bhunú. Ciste reachtúil a bheadh anseo le maoiniú ón státchiste á sholáthar ar feadh cúig bliana agus é rollaithe ar aghaidh go bliantúil.

D'fhoilsigh an ESG a thuarascáil “Ahead of the Curve – Ireland’s Place in the Global Economy” i mí Iúil 2004.

6 Géilliúlacht do Reachtaíocht/Cóid Chleachtais a bhaineann le hEagraíochtaí Poiblí

6.1 An tAcht um Shaoráil Faisnéise

Le feidhm ó mhí Eanáir 2001, tá an ÚAO clúdaithe ag forálacha an Achta um Shaoráil Faisnéise (FOI), 1997. Bunaíonn an tAcht seo trí cheart nua reachtúil

1. ceart dlíthiúil ag gach duine rochtain a bheith acu ar eolas atá ar coimeád ag eagraíochtaí poiblí;
2. ceart dlíthiúil ag gach duine go leasófaí eolas oifigiúil a bhaineann leis/lei féin nuair atá sé; neamhiomlán, mícheart nó míthreorach;
3. ceart dlíthiúil ar chúiseanna a fháil maidir le cinnte a bhaineann leat féin

Tá fiche iarratas faighte ag an ÚAO go dáta (Deireadh Fómhair 2001 – Nollaig 2003)

Tá cóipeanna de Lámhleabhar Alt 15 (Struchtúr agus Feidhmeanna an Údaráis) agus Lámhleabhar Alt 16 (a thugann imlíne ar rialacha, rialacháin agus fasaigh a úsáideann an ÚAO agus a fheidhmeanna á gcur i gcrích) le fáil ar shuíomh gréasáin an ÚAO. www.hea.ie

6.2 Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies

The Authority continues to take the necessary measures to ensure it meets the requirements of the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies.

6.3 Ethics in Public Office Act 1995

The provisions of the Ethics in Public Office Act, 1995 apply to a number of designated posts in the Executive. These post holders have submitted statements of interest in compliance with the Act.

6.4 Prompt Payment of Accounts Act, 1997

The Authority comes under the terms of the Prompt Payment of Accounts Act, 1997. It is the policy of the Authority to ensure that all invoices are paid promptly. Specific measures are in place to enable all invoices to be tracked and ensure that payment is made before the due date for interest and charges purposes. Invoices are logged daily and payments are made on a weekly basis.

Total payments made to Creditors in the year ending 31 December 2002 were €2,311,124. The Authority paid €10.68 prompt payment interest during that period. Total payments made to Creditors in the year ending 31 December 2003 were €4,004,330. The Authority paid €62.55 prompt payment interest during that period. While in 2004, total payments made to Creditors in the year ending 31 December were €3,003,212. The Authority paid €50.75 prompt payment interest during that period.

6.5 Equality

The Authority is an equal opportunities employer and has adopted an Equal Opportunities Policy. The Authority operates a number of schemes that provide staff with options to assist them meeting their career and personal needs including study leave, career breaks, flexi-time working and part-time working. The Authority organised an equality awareness seminar for staff in 2003.

6.6 Energy Efficiency and Environmental Awareness

The HEA endeavours to ensure that it avails of energy efficient measures where possible and that disposals are made in an environmentally friendly manner.

6.2 Cód Cleachtais do Rialachas ar Chomhlachtaí Stáit

Leanann an tÚdarás ag glacadh na gcéimeanna riachtanacha lena chinntiú go gcloíonn sé le riachtanais an Chóid Chleachtais do Rialachas Eagraíochtaí Stáit

6.3 An tAcht um Eitic in Oifigí Poiblí 1995

Baineann forálacha an Achta um Eitic in Oifigí Poiblí, 1995 le roinnt post ainmnithe ar an bhFeidhmeannacht. Tá na daoine sna poist seo tar éis ráitis leasa a thabhairt, i ngéilliúlacht don Acht.

6.4 An tAcht um Íoc Pras Cuntas, 1997

Tagann an tÚdarás faoi théarmaí an Achta um Íoc Pras Cuntas, 1997. Is é polasaí an Údaráis é a chinntiú go n-íoctar gach sonrasc go pras. Tá céimeanna ar leith ann a chumasaíonn aimsiú gach sonrasc agus a chinntíonn go ndéantar gach íocaíocht roimh an dáta dlite chun críche úis agus muirir. Déantar logáil ar shonraisc go laethúil agus déantar íocaíochtaí ar bhonn seachtainiúil.

Ba é iomlán na n-íocaíochtaí a déanadh le Creidiúnaithe sa bhliain dar críoch 31 Nollaig 2002 ná €2,311,124. D'íoc an tÚdarás €10.68 pras íocaíocht úis sa tréimhse sin. Ba é iomlán na n-íocaíochtaí a déanadh le Creidiúnaithe sa bhliain dar críoch 31 Nollaig 2003 ná €4,004,330. D'íoc an tÚdarás €62.55 pras íocaíocht úis sa tréimhse sin. Ba é iomlán na n-íocaíochtaí a déanadh le Creidiúnaithe sa bhliain dar críoch 31 Nollaig 2004 ná €3,003,212. D'íoc an tÚdarás €50.75 pras íocaíocht úis sa tréimhse sin.

6.5 Comhionannas

Is fostóir comhdheise é an tÚdarás agus tá glactha aige le Polasaí Comhdheise. Oibríonn an tÚdarás roinnt scéimeanna a thugann roghanna don fhoireann chun cabhrú leo freastal ar a riachtanais ghairme agus phearsanta chomh maith le saoire staidéir, sos gairme, uaireanta solúbtha oibre agus oibriú go páirtaimseartha. D'eagraigh an tÚdarás seimineár feasachta comhionannais dá fhoireann i 2003.

6.6 Éifeachtacht Fhuinnimh agus Feasacht Chomhshaoil

Déanann an ÚAO iarracht a chinntiú go mbaineann sé leas as céimeanna tíosacha fuinnimh nuair is féidir é agus go ndéantar diúscairt ar bhealach atá neamhdhíobhálach don chomhshaoil.

7 National Agency for EU Programmes

The HEA is the National Agency for a number of EU programmes.

7.1 Socrates - Erasmus

The primary functions of the National Agency are

- to administer European Community funds for student and teacher mobility grants in accordance with procedures laid down by the European Commission
- to distribute the grants to students via third-level institutions
- to report to the Commission on the administration of the fund
- to provide information generally on the programme

Socrates II is the European Community action programme for co-operation in the field of education. Spanning the period 01 January 2000 to 31 December 2006, it is applicable to all the Member States of the European Union as well as to Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway (in the framework of the European Economic Agreement), the associated countries from Central and Eastern Europe and Cyprus, Malta and Turkey.

Community funding for all Socrates-Erasmus activities is provided within the framework of the Institutional Contract for each participating Institution in Socrates II. The purpose of this procedure is to encourage institutions to develop and adopt coherent and integrated European policies with the objective of achieving a more durable impact from the various European activities and to ensure more effective use of available funds.

Eligible activities under the Institutional Contract include

- Student Mobility
- Teaching Staff Mobility
- Joint Development of Curricula
- Intensive Programmes
- Thematic Networks
- Preparatory Visits
- European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)

The National Agency allocated a total of €1,424,743 for Student Mobility Grants. A total of 1,627 students travelled abroad in 2002-2003. The average grant per student was €866. In 2003-2004, the National Agency allocated a total of €1,443,630. The average grant per student was €846. A total of 1,705 students travelled abroad in 2003-2004.

7.2 Socrates - Minerva

Under Socrates II, the Teacher Mobility Action was decentralised to the National Agency. A total of 175 teachers travelled under the programme. This was an increase of 16% over 2001-2002. In 2003-2004, a total of 168 teachers travelled under the programme. The National Agency allocated up to the maximum grant of €800 per teacher week to all of the teachers with the permission of the Commission.

7 An Gníomhaireacht Náisiúnta um Chláir AE

Is Gníomhaireacht Náisiúnta é an ÚAO do roinnt chlár AE.

7.1 Socrates - Erasmus

Is iad príomhfheidhmeanna na Gníomhaireachta Náisiúnta ná:

- cistí an Chomhphobail Eorpaigh do mhic léinn agus deontais soghluaiseachta do mhúinteoirí a riaradh de réir na nósanna imeachta a leag Coimisiún na hEorpa síos
- deontais a dháileadh ar mhic léinn tríd na hinstiúidí tríú leibhéal
- tuairisc a thabhairt don Choimisiún ar riaradh an chiste
- eolas a sholáthar go ginearálta ar an gclár

Is clár gníomhaíochta leis an gComhphobal Eorpach é Socrates II do chomhoibriú i réimse an oideachais. Ag réisiú na tréimhse 01 Eanáir 2000 go dtí 31 Nollaig 2006, baineann sé le gach Ballstát den Aontas Eorpach chomh maith leis an Íoslainn, Leichtinstéin agus an Iorua (i bhfrámaíocht an Chomhaontaithe Eacnamaíochta Eorpaigh), na tíortha comhlacha ó Lár agus Oirthear na hEorpa agus an Chipir, Málta agus an Tuirc.

Soláthraítear cistiúchán pobail do gach gníomhaíocht Socrates-Erasmus laistigh de fhrámaíocht an Chonartha Institiúidigh do gach institiúid a bhíonn rannpháirteach i Socrates II. Is é aidhm an ghnáis oibre seo spreagadh a thabhairt d'institiúidí forbairt a dhéanamh ar agus glacadh le polasaithe comhleanúnacha agus comhtháite Eorpacha d'fhonn go mbeadh éifeacht níos buaine ag na gníomhaíochtaí éagsúla Eorpacha agus lena chinntiú go mbaintear úsáid níos éifeachtaí as na cistí atá ar fáil.

Ar na gníomhaíochtaí atá incháilithe faoin gConradh Institiúideach tá:

- Soghluaiseacht Mac Léinn
- Soghluaiseacht Foirne Múinteoireachta
- Comhfhorbairt Curaclam
- Dianchláir
- Líonraí Téamacha
- Cuairteanna Ullmhúcháin
- Córas Aistrithe Creidmheasa Eorpaigh (CACE)

Rinne an Gníomhaireacht Náisiúnta leithdháileadh ar €1,424,743 do Dheontais Soghluaiseachta Mac Léinn. Thaistéal 1,627 mac léinn thar lear i 2002-2003. Ba é an meándeontas in aghaidh an mhic léinn ná €866. I 2003-2004, rinne an Gníomhaireacht Náisiúnta leithdháileadh ar €1,443,630. Ba é an meándeontas in aghaidh an mhic léinn ná €846. Thaistil 1,705 mac léinn thar lear i 2003-2004.

7.2 Socrates - Minerva

Faoi Socrates II, déanadh dílárú ar Ghníomhú Soghluaiseachta Múinteoirí go dtí an Gníomhaireacht Náisiúnta. Thaistil 175 múinteoir faoin gclár. Bhí méadú de 16% air seo i rith 2001-2002. I 2003-2004, thaistil 168 múinteoir faoin gclár. Rinne an Gníomhaireacht Náisiúnta leithdháileadh suas go dtí an uasmhéid deontais de €800 in aghaidh seachtaine múinteoireachta ar gach múinteoir le cead ón gCoimisiún.

The HEA is also the National Agent for Minerva – the EU’s open and distance learning programme. Over the period 2002-2004, five Irish-led projects were successful in receiving support

2002 RAMIE - Researching Assessment Methods and Instruments for eLearning - Cork IT
Student Support Services in eLearning - Ericsson Competence Solutions, Dún Laoghaire

2003 Quest for Learning – AHEAD (Association for Higher Education Access and Disability)
Virtual Classrooms - Ericsson Competence Solutions, Dún Laoghaire
Educational Partnerships through ICT – Cork IT

A contact seminar for practitioners in the field was also held in 2002 with presentations from

- Ms Corinne Hermant-de Callataÿ, DG Education and Culture, European Commission on the EU eLearning Strategy
- Professor Walter Kugemann, FIM-NewLearning and Menon Network, Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, on “Lessons from Projects and Contributions to an observatory function”
- Ms Kay McKeogh and Mr. Seamus Fox, Oscail, on “PICTURE - Perceptions of the ICT use in Remote Education”
- Mr. John Glynn, Gcom Teoranta, on “STENED – School Telematics Education Network for Enterprise Development”
- Mr. Tom Daly, Boherbue Comprehensive School, Cork on “SOLAS – delivering educational and general support services to young people with physical and sensory impairments”
- Gearóid Ó Súilleabháin, Cork Institute of Technology “BiTe – Bridging the gap between the traditional and the eLearning Environment”
- Mr. John Stringer, Technical Assistance Office, EU Commission on “Contractual and Financial Management”.

8 National Office for Equity of Access to Higher Education

The National Office for Equity of Access to Higher Education was established in the Higher Education Authority in August 2003, following a decision by the Minister for Education and Science.

The background to the establishment of the office was the report of the Action Group on Access to Third Level Education which gave detailed consideration to the full range of issues bearing upon access to higher education. The final report of the group in 2001 recommended to the Minister the need for the establishment of a National Office within the HEA to formulate a coherent national strategy on equity of access to higher education and to oversee the funding and implementation of an integrated national framework of measures to this end.

Is é an ÚAO an Gníomhaire Náisiúnta do Minerva – clár cianfhoghlama agus oscailte an AE. D'éirigh le cúig thionscadal ar a ndearna Éire cinnireacht tacaíocht a fháil sa tréimhse 2002-2004

2002 RAMIE – Taighde ar Mhodhanna Measúnaithe agus Ionstraimí eFhoghlama – IT Chorcaí
Seirbhísí Tacaíochta Mac Léinn in eFhoghlaim – Ericsson Competence Solutions, Dún Laoghaire

2003 Ar Lorg Foghlama – AHEAD (Cumann um Rochtain ar Ardoideachas agus Míchumas)
Seomraí Ranga Fíorúla - Ericsson Competence Solutions, Dún Laoghaire
Comhpháirtithe Oideachasúla trí TFC – IT Chorcaí

Tionóladh seimineár teagmhála freisin do chleachtóirí sa réimse seo i 2002 le taibhithe ó

- Corinne Hermant-de Callataÿ, SG Oideachas agus Cultúr, Coimisiún na hEorpa ar Straitéis eFhoghlama an AE
- An tOllamh Walter Kugemann, FIM-NuaFhoghlaim agus Lónra Menon, Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, ar “Ceachtanna ó Tionscadail agus Dréachtaí ar fheidhm fhaireoireachta”
- Kay McKeogh agus Seamus Fox, Oscail, ar “PICTURE – Aireachtaintí ar úsáid TFC i gCianoideachas”
- John Glynn, Gcom Teoranta, ar “STENED – Lónra Oideachais Teileamaitice Scoile d’Fhorbairt Fiontraíochta”
- Tom Daly, Scoil Chuimsitheach, An Bóthar Buí, Corcaigh ar “SOLAS – oideachas agus seirbhísí ginearálta tacaíochta a sholáthar do dhaoine óga a bhfuil máchail fhisiceach nó chéadfaíoch orthu”
- Gearóid Ó Súilleabháin, Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí “BiTe – Ag líonadh na bearna idir an Timpeallacht traidisiúnta agus eFhoghlama”
- Mr. John Stringer, Oifig Cúnaimh Theicniúil, Coimisiún an AE ar “Bhainistíocht Chonrathach agus Airgeadais”.

8 An Oifig Náisiúnta um Chomhionannas Rochtana ar Ardoideachas

Bunaíodh an Oifig Náisiúnta um Chomhionannas Rochtana ar Ardoideachas san Údarás um Ardoideachas i mí Lúnasa 2003, i ndiaidh chinneadh an Aire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta.

Ba é tuarascáil an Ghrúpa Gníomhaíochta um Rochtain ar Oideachas Tríú Leibhéal a rinne dianmhachnamh ar réimse iomlán na gceisteanna a bhain le rochtain ar ardoideachas a bhí laistiar de bhunú na hoifige. Mhol tuarascáil deireanach an ghrúpa i 2001 don Aire gur ghá Oifig Náisiúnta a bhunú laistigh den ÚAO chun straitéis chomhtháite náisiúnta a chur le chéile ar chomhionannas rochtana ar ardoideachas agus le maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar chistiú agus chur i bhfeidhm chéimeanna comhtháite frámaíochta náisiúnta chuige seo.

The remit of the National Office is to facilitate inclusive and equitable access to higher education by under-represented groups, in particular those who are socially, economically and/or culturally disadvantaged, those with a disability and mature learners.

During 2004, the National Office progressed its work in the following areas:

Action Plan

A national action plan for 2005-2007, "Achieving Equity of Access to Higher Education in Ireland" was published following extensive work and consultation. A 16 member advisory group assisted the National Office with the Plan.

Funding Programmes

The National Office took responsibility the management and allocation of a range of funding programmes to widen access and support participation including the:

- HEA Strategic Initiative Funding (Improving Access)
- Fund for Students with Disabilities
- Student Assistance Fund
- Millennium Partnership Fund for Disadvantage

Policy Advice

The National Office also advised the Minister for Education and Science on a range of policies to widen access to higher education.

Monitor Progress

The Office began work on systems to monitor progress in implementing the national Action Plan and reaching national and institutional targets on equity of access to higher education.

National Conference

In December 2004, a large scale National Conference was held to launch the Action Plan and to discuss effective ways of implementing the Plan during 2005-2007. Conference proceedings were subsequently published.

Is é sainchúram na hOifige Náisiúnta éascú a dhéanamh ar chomhionannas uileghabhálach rochtana ar ardoideachas ghrúpaí atá faoi ghannionadaíocht, go háirithe iad siúd atá faoi mhíbhuntáiste sóisialta, eacnamaíochta agus/nó cultúrtha, iad siúd atá faoi mhíchumas agus foghlaimoirí lánfhásta.

I rith 2004, rinne an Oifig Náisiúnta dul chun cinn ina cuid oibre sna réimsí seo a leanas:

Plean Gníomhaíochta

Foilsíodh plean gníomhaíochta náisiúnta do 2005-2007, “Ag baint amach Comhionannais Rochtana ar Ardoideachas in Éirinn” i ndiaidh oibre agus comhairliúcháin fhairsing. Chabhraigh grúpa comhairleach 16 ball leis an Oifig Náisiúnta leis an bPlean.

Cláir Chistiúcháin

Ghlac an Oifig Náisiúnta le freagracht maidir le bainistíocht agus leithdháileadh réimse clár cistiúcháin chun rochtain a leathnú agus tacú le rannpháirtíocht chomh maith le:

- Tionscnamh Straitéiseach Cistiúcháin an ÚAO (Ag Feabhsú Rochtana)
- Ciste do Mhic Léinn atá faoi Mhíchumas
- Ciste Cúnaimh Mac Léinn
- Ciste Comhpháirtíochta na Mílaoise do Mhíbhuntáiste

Comhairle Polasáí

Chuir an Oifig Náisiúnta comhairle ar an Aire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta freisin ar réimse polasaithe chun rochtain ar ardoideachas a leathnú.

Monatóireacht ar Dhul Chun Cinn

Thosaigh an Oifig ag obair ar chórais chun monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar dhul chun cinn i gcur i bhfeidhm an Phlean Gníomhaíochta agus spriocanna náisiúnta agus institiúide a bhaint amach ar chomhionannas rochtana ar ardoideachas.

Comhdháil Náisiúnta

I mí na Nollag 2004, tionóladh Comhdháil Náisiúnta ar scála mór chun an Plean Gníomhaíochta a sheoladh agus chun plé a dhéanamh ar bhealaí éifeachtacha maidir leis an bPlean a chur i bhfeidhm i rith 2005-2007.

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Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for presentation to the Houses of the Oireachtas

I have audited the financial statements on pages 2 to 25 under Paragraph 20 (2) of the Schedule to the Higher Education Authority Act, 1971.

Respective Responsibilities of n tÚdaras and the Comptroller and Auditor General

The accounting responsibilities of an tÚdaras are set out in the Statement of Responsibilities of An tÚdaras um Ard-Oideachas on page 72. It is my responsibility, based on my audit, to form an independent opinion on the financial statements presented to me by an tÚdarás and to report on them.

I review whether the statement on page 72 reflects compliance by an tÚdarás with applicable guidance on corporate governance and report any material instance where it does not do so, or if the statement is misleading or inconsistent with other information of which I am aware from my audit of the financial statements.

Basis of Audit Opinion

In the exercise of my function as Comptroller and Auditor General, I conducted my audit of the financial statements in accordance with auditing standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board and by reference to the special considerations which attach to State bodies in relation to their management and operation.

An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in financial statements. It also includes an assessment of significant estimates and judgements made in preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of an tÚdarás, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I planned and performed my audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations that I considered necessary to provide me with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurances that the financial statements are free from material misstatement whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming my opinion I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by an tÚdarás and the financial statements, which are in agreement with them, give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of An tÚdarás Um Ard-Oideachas at 31 December 2002 and of its income and expenditure and cash flow for the year then ended.

John Purcell

Comptroller and Auditor General

19 January 2003

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Tuarascáil an Aird-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste le cur faoi bhráid Thithe an Oireachtais

Tá iniúchadh déanta agam ar na ráitis airgeadais ar leathanaigh 2 go 25 faoi Alt 20 (2) den Sceideal le hAcht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas, 1971.

Freagrachtaí an Údaráis agus an Aird-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste faoi seach

Tá freagrachtaí cuntasáíochta an Údaráis leagtha amach i Ráiteas Freagrachta an Údaráis um Ardoideachas ar leathanach 73. Tá freagracht ormsa, bunaithe ar m'iniúchadh, teacht ar thuairim neamhspleách ar na ráitis airgeadais a chuir an tÚdarás faoi mo bhráid agus tuarascáil a dhéanamh orthu.

Déanaim athbhreithniú ar cibé a dtagann nó nach dtagann an ráiteas ar leathanach 73 le géilliúlacht an Údaráis do threoraíocht infheidhme ar rialachas corparáideach agus tugaim tuairisc ar aon ásc ábhartha nach ndéanann amhlaidh, nó má bhíonn an ráiteas míthreorach nó nach dtagann sé le heolas eile a bhfuil eolas agam air ó m'iniúchadh ar na ráitis airgeadais.

An Bonn atá le Tuairim Iniúcháireachta

Agus feidhm an Aird-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste á chomhlíonadh agam, rinne mé m'iniúchadh ar na ráitis airgeadais de réir na gcaighdeán iniúchta a d'eisigh an Bord um Chleachtais Iniúcháireachta agus faoi threoir na ndálaí speisialta a bhaineann le heagraíochtaí Stáit maidir lena mbainistiú agus a n-oibriú.

Tá scrúdú, ar bhonn tástála, i gceist le hiniúchadh ar fhianaise a bhaineann le suimeanna agus nochtadh i ráitis airgeadais. Áiríonn sé freisin measúnú ar mheastacháin agus breithiúnais suntasacha a déanadh in ullmhú na ráiteas airgeadais, agus cibé acu an bhfuil nó nach bhfuil na polasaithe cuntasáíochta oiriúnach do dhálaí an Údaráis, ar cuireadh i bhfeidhm go rianúil iad agus an ndearnadh leornochtadh orthu.

Phleanáil mé agus rinne mé m'iniúchadh d'fhonn gach eolas agus míniú a fháil a cheap mé a bheith riachtanach go soláthrófaí go leor fianaise dom go mbeadh ar mo chumas dearbhaithe réasúnta a thabhairt go bhfuil na ráitis airgeadais saor ó mhíríteas ábhartha pé an calaois nó mírialtacht eile nó dearmad is cúis leis. Agus mé ag teacht ar mo thuairim rinne mé measúnú freisin ar leorgacht fhoriomlán chur i láthair eolais sna ráitis airgeadais.

Tuairim

I mo thuairim, choimeád an tÚdarás leabhair chearta cuntais agus tugann na ráitis airgeadais, a thagann leo, dearcadh fírinneach agus cothrom ar staid ghnóthaí an Údaráis um Ardoideachas ar an 31 Nollaig 2002 agus ar a theacht isteach agus a chaiteachas agus a shreabhadh airgid don bhliain a chríochnaigh ansin.

John Purcell

Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste

19 Eanáir 2003

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Statement of Responsibilities of an tÚdarás

Paragraph 20 (1) of the Schedule to the Higher Education Authority Act 1971 requires An tÚdarás to prepare financial statements in such form as may be approved by the Minister for Education & Science after consultation with the Minister for Finance.

In preparing those financial statements, An tÚdarás is required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that An tÚdarás will continue in operation.
- Disclose and explain any material departures from applicable accounting standards

An tÚdarás is responsible for keeping proper books of account which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position and which enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with paragraph 20 (1) of the Schedule to the Act. An tÚdarás is also responsible for safeguarding its assets and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Chairman: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 22.12.03

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Ráiteas Freagrachta an Údaráis

Éilíonn Alt 20 (1) den Sceideal le hAcht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas, 1971, go n-ullmhódh an tÚdarás ráitis airgeadais i bhfoirm a bheadh faofa ag an Aire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta tar éis dul i gcomhairle leis an Aire Airgeadais.

Agus na ráitis airgeadais seo á n-ullmhú, is gá don Údarás:

- Polasaithe oiriúnacha a roghnú agus iad a chur i bhfeidhm go leanúnach.
- Breithiúnais a dhéanamh ar mheastacháin atá réasúnta agus ciallmhar;
- Ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar bhonn gnóthais leantaigh mura mbíonn sé míchuí a cheapadh go leanfaidh an tÚdarás ag feidhmiú.
- Aon éagsúlacht le caighdeáin chuntasaíochta infheidhmithe a nochtadh agus a mhíniú

Tá an tÚdarás freagrach as leabhair chearta cuntais a choimeád a nochtann a riocht airgeadais go réasúnta cruinn ag aon am agus a chuireann ar a chumas a chinntiú go dtagann na ráitis airgeadais le halt 20 (1) de Sceideal an Achta. Tá an tÚdarás freagrach freisin as a shócmhainní a chosaint agus as céimeanna réasúnta a ghlacadh maidir le cosc agus aimsiú calaoise agus mírialtachtaí eile.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 22.12.03

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Statement of Accounting Policies

An tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas was established on 15th May 1972 to perform functions assigned to it by Acht an Údaráis um Ard-Oideachas 1971. The format of its financial statements has been approved by the Minister for Education & Science with the concurrence of the Minister for Finance and comprises Income and Expenditure Accounts for Administration and General Expenses, Recurrent Grants, Capital Grants and Research Grants together with a Balance Sheet and a Cash Flow Statement.

Accounting Policies

1. Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the accruals method of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles under the modified historic cost convention.

2. Oireachtas Grants

Oireachtas Grants are accounted for on an accruals basis.

3. Fixed Assets

The fixed assets of the Authority comprising furniture and equipment and computers are stated in the financial statements at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation

Computers are depreciated at a rate of $33\frac{1}{3}$ % per annum straight line method. All other fixed assets are depreciated at a rate of 10% per annum straight line method.

4. Capital Funding

The assets of the Authority are financed out of administration grants. The Capital Reserve Account represents the amount of income allocated for capital purposes less the amount released to revenue over the life of the assets.

5. Grants to Universities, Colleges and Designated Institutions;

The expenditure under these headings represents the grants which had been allocated to Institutions in respect of the year. These grants are applied by institutions on the following basis:

(a) Recurrent Grants

In addition to meeting the running expenses of the Institution these grants may also be applied for certain other purposes, including the purchase of furniture, the replacement of equipment or the carrying out of minor capital projects.

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Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasaíochta

Bunaíodh an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas ar an 15ú Bealtaine 1972 chun feidhmeanna a sannadh air faoi Acht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas 1971 a chomhlíonadh. Tá formáid a ráiteas airgeadais faofa ag an Aire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta le comhthoil an Aire Airgeadais agus tá cuntais loncainm agus Caiteachais do Riarachán agus Chostais Ghinearálta, Deontais Athfhillteacha, Deontais Chaipitil agus Deontais Taighde ann chomh maith le Clár Comhardaithe agus Ráiteas Sreafa Airgid.

Polasaithe Cuntasaíochta

1. Bonn an Ullmhúcháin

Ullmhaítear na ráitis airgeadais faoin modh fabhráithe cuntasaíochta de réir prionsabail chuntasaíochta a bhfuil glacadh ginearálta leo faoin gcoinbhinsiún athraithe costais stairiúil.

2. Deontais Oireachtais

Tugtar cuntas ar Dheontais Oireachtais ar bhonn fabhráithe.

3. Sócmhainní Seasta

Tugtar sócmhainní seasta an Údaráis a chuimsíonn troscán agus trealamh agus ríomhairí sna ráitis airgeadais ar chostas nó luacháil lúide dímheas carnaithe.

Dímheas

Tagann dímheas ar ríomhairí de réir ráta 33^{1/3}% in aghaidh na bliana de réir mhodh na líne díreach. Tagann dímheas ar na sócmhainní eile seasta de réir ráta 10%% in aghaidh na bliana de réir mhodh na líne díreach.

4. Cistiúchán Caipitil

Déantar cistiúchán ar shócmhainní an Údaráis as deontais riaracháin. Tugann an Cuntas Cúlchiste Caipitil méid an teacht isteach a leithdháileadh do chúiseanna caipitil lúide an méid a scaoileadh le hioncam le linn saolré na sócmhainní.

5. Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus Institiúidí Ainmnithe;

Léiríonn an caiteachas faoi na ceannteidil seo na deontais a leithdháileadh ar na hinstiúidí don bhliain. Cuireann an hinstiúidí na deontais seo i bhfeidhm ar an mbonn seo a leanas:

(a) Deontas Athfhillteach

In éineacht le freastal ar chaiteachas reatha na n-institiúidí is féidir na deontais seo a chur i bhfeidhm ar chúiseanna áirithe eile, ar a n-áirítear ceannach troscáin, athsholáthar trealamh nó tionscadail mhóra caipitil a dhéanamh.

(b) Building Grants

In certain instances grants reported under this heading may be used to fund initial issues of library stock, equipment or furniture.

(c) Research Initiative Grants

These grants comprise

- Funding of Institutions under the Programme for Research in Third Level Institutions (PRTLTI).
- Payments under the Government of Ireland Research Scholarships in the Humanities and Social Sciences Programme (IRCHSS).
- Payments on behalf of Enterprise Ireland under a basic Research Scheme.
- Payments since 1 October 1999 on behalf of the Department of Education and Science under a post doctoral fellowship scheme.

6. Superannuation

A superannuation scheme under section 5(3) of the Higher Education Act 1980 has been approved. Deductions are credited to salaries and wages. Pension costs are charged against revenue as they arise and no provision is made for future superannuation liabilities.

7. Currency

The unit of currency in which the financial statements are denominated is the Euro.

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Secretary: John Hayden

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(b) Deontais Thógála

I gcásanna áirithe is féidir deontais a tuairiscíodh faoin gceannteideal seo a úsáid chun cistiú a dhéanamh ar an gcéad eisiúint de stoc, trealamh nó troscán leabharlainne.

(c) Deontais Thionscnaimh Thaighde

Cuimsíonn na deontais seo:

- Cistiúchán d'Institiúidí faoin gClár um Thaighde in Institiúidí Tríú Leibhéal (PRTLÍ).
- Íocaíochtaí faoi Chlár Scoláireachtaí Taighde Rialtais na hÉireann sna Daonnachtaí agus sna hEolaíochtaí Sóisialta (IRCHSS).
- Íocaíochtaí thar ceann Fiontaríocht Éireann faoi bhun-Scéim Taighde.
- Íocaíochtaí ón 1 Deireadh Fómhair 1999 thar ceann an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta faoi scéim chomhlachta iardhochtúireachta.

6. Aoisliúntas

Tá scéim aoisliúntais faoi alt 5(3) den Acht um Ardoideachas 1980 faofa. Déantar asbhaintí a chur chun sochair tuarastail agus pá. Gearrtar costais phinsin in aghaidh ioncaim de réir mar a éiríonn siad agus ní dhéantar aon soláthar do dhliteanais aoisliúntais sa todhchaí.

7. Airgeadra

Is é an t-aonad airgeadra ina dtugtar na ráitis airgeadais ná an Euro.

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Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 22.12.03

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Income & Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2002

	Notes	2002 €	2001 €
INCOME			
Oireachtas Grants	1.	723,270,942	681,026,369
Chest	2.	61,041	69,880
Interest Earned	3.	<u>21,820</u>	<u>88,627</u>
		723,353,803	681,184,876
Less			
Amounts allocated for Capital Purposes	8.	<u>382,001</u>	<u>1,406,949</u>
		722,971,802	679,777,927
EXPENDITURE			
Recurrent Grants	4.	600,941,703	546,050,830
Capital Grants		50,789,184	71,680,723
Research Grants		66,367,336	58,664,056
Administration Overheads	5.	4,158,419	3,498,660
IRCHSS Overheads	6.	492,504	371,614
IRCSET Overheads	7.	<u>485,880</u>	<u>37,973</u>
		<u>723,235,026</u>	<u>680,303,856</u>
		(263,224)	(525,929)
Transfer from Capital Reserve Account	8.	<u>409,060</u>	<u>306,457</u>
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		<u>145,836</u>	<u>(219,472)</u>

The Statement of Accounting Policies, Cash Flow Statement, notes 1-23 and Schedules I – V form part of the Financial Statements.

All gains and losses are recognised in the Income and Expenditure Account.

Chairperson: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 22.12.03

Date: 22.12.03

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Cuntas Ioncaim & Caiteachais don Bhliain dar Críoch 31ú Nollaig 2002

	Nótaí	2002 €	2001 €
IONCAM			
Deontais Oireachtais	1.	723,270,942	681,026,369
Chest	2.	61,041	69,880
Ús a Tuilleadh	3.	<u>21,820</u>	<u>88,627</u>
		723,353,803	681,184,876
Lúide			
Suimeanna a leithdháileadh chun Críche Caipitil	8.	<u>382,001</u>	<u>1,406,949</u>
		722,971,802	679,777,927
CAITEACHAS			
Deontais Athfhillteacha	4.	600,941,703	546,050,830
Deontais Chaipitil		50,789,184	71,680,723
Deontais Thaighde		66,367,336	58,664,056
Forchostais Riaracháin	5.	4,158,419	3,498,660
Forchostais IRCHSS	6.	492,504	371,614
Forchostais IRCSET	7.	<u>485,880</u>	<u>37,973</u>
		<u>723,235,026</u>	<u>680,303,856</u>
		(263,224)	(525,929)
Aistriú ó Chuntas Cúlchiste Caipitil	8.	<u>409,060</u>	<u>306,457</u>
Glanbharrachas / (Easnamh) don bhliain		<u>145,836</u>	<u>(219,472)</u>

Tá an Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasafóchta, an Ráiteas Sreafa Airgid, nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil I – V ina gcuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais.

Aithnítear gach sochar agus dochar sa Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 22.12.03

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Balance Sheet at 31st December 2002

	Notes	2002 €	2001 €
Fixed Assets	9.	1,544,445	1,571,504
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors & Prepayments	10.	592,043	249,104
Bank & Cash Balances		<u>22,823,775</u>	<u>23,446,059</u>
		<u>23,415,818</u>	<u>23,695,163</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors & Accrued Expenditure	11.	<u>22,794,427</u>	<u>23,219,608</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>621,391</u>	<u>475,555</u>
Net Assets		<u>2,165,836</u>	<u>2,047,059</u>
Represented By:			
Capital Reserve	8.	1,544,445	1,571,504
General Reserve	12.	<u>621,391</u>	<u>475,555</u>
		<u>2,165,836</u>	<u>2,047,059</u>

The statement of Accounting Policies, Cash Flow Statement, notes 1-23 and Schedules I – V form part of the Financial Statements.

Chairperson: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 22.12.03

Date: 22.12.03

Cuntais 2002**AN tÚDARÁS UM ARDOIDEACHAS****Clár Comhardaithe ar an 31ú Nollaig 2002**

	Nótaí	2002 €	2001 €
Sócmhainní Seasta	9.	1,544,445	1,571,504
SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA			
Debtors & Prepayments	10.	592,043	249,104
Comharduithe Baint & Airgid thirim		<u>22,823,775</u>	<u>23,446,059</u>
		<u>23,415,818</u>	<u>23,695,163</u>
DLITEANAIS REATHA			
Creidiúnaithe & Caiteachas Fabhráithe	11.	<u>22,794,427</u>	<u>23,219,608</u>
Sócmhainní Glana Reatha		<u>621,391</u>	<u>475,555</u>
Sócmhainní Glana		<u>2,165,836</u>	<u>2,047,059</u>
Curtha i Láthair Ag:			
Cúlchiste Caipitil	8.	1,544,445	1,571,504
Cúlchiste Ginearálta	12.	<u>621,391</u>	<u>475,555</u>
		<u>2,165,836</u>	<u>2,047,059</u>

Tá an Ráiteas ar Pholasatíe Cuntasaíochta, an Ráiteas Sreafa Airgid, nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil I – V ina gcuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 22.12.03

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Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2002

Reconciliation of Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for the year to Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities

	2002	2001
	€	€
Surplus/(Deficit) on Income and Expenditure Accounts		
- Administration and General Expenses	59,789	30,258
- Recurrent Grants	29,232	(253,446)
- Capital Grants	(808)	300
- Research Initiative	3,794	19,965
- IRCHSS Administration	(6,348)	(14,255)
- IRCSET Administration	<u>60,177</u>	<u>(2,294)</u>
	145,836	(219,472)
Adjustment for Non Operating Items		
Interest Received	(21,820)	(88,607)
Allocation to Fund Capital Items	<u>382,001</u>	<u>1,406,949</u>
	506,017	1,098,870
Adjustment for Non-Cash Items		
Depreciation	409,060	306,451
Transfer from Capital Reserve Account	(409,060)	(306,456)
Movement in Debtors	(342,939)	1,000,595
Movement in Creditors	<u>(425,181)</u>	<u>17,091,951</u>
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities	<u>(262,103)</u>	<u>19,191,416</u>

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Ráiteas Sreafa Airgid don Bhliain dar Críoch 31 Nollaig 2002

Réiteach Barrachais Oibriúcháin/(Easnamh) don bhliain go hInsréabhadh Glan Airgid Thirim (Airgead Amach) ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin

	2002	2001
	€	€
Barrachas/(Easnamh) ar Chuntais Ioncaim agus Caiteachais		
- Riarachán agus Costais Ghinearálta	59,789	30,258
- Deontais Athfhillteacha	29,232	(253,446)
- Deontais Chaipitil	(808)	300
- Tionscnamh Taighde	3,794	19,965
- Riarachán IRCHSS	(6,348)	(14,255)
- Riarachán IRCSET	<u>60,177</u>	<u>(2,294)</u>
	145,836	(219,472)
Ceartú do Mhíreanna Neamhoibriúcháin		
Ús a Fuarthas	(21,820)	(88,607)
Leithdháileadh do Chistiú ar Mhíreanna Caipitil	<u>382,001</u>	<u>1,406,949</u>
	506,017	1,098,870
Coigeartú do Mhíreanna Neamhairgid		
Díluacháil	409,060	306,451
Aistriú ó Chuntas Cúlchiste Caipitil	(409,060)	(306,456)
Gluaiseacht i bhFiachóirí	(342,939)	1,000,595
Gluaiseacht i gCreidiúnaithe	<u>(425,181)</u>	<u>17,091,951</u>
Insreabhadh Glan Airgid Thirim/(Airgead Amach) ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin	<u>(262,103)</u>	<u>19,191,416</u>

Cash Flow Statement

	2002	2001
	€	€
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow)from Operating Activities	(262,103)	19,191,416
Finance Servicing		
Interest Received	21,820	88,607
Investing Activities		
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	<u>(382,001)</u>	<u>(1,406,949)</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	<u>(622,284)</u>	<u>17,873,074</u>
Reconciliation of Net Cash Flow to Movement in Net Funds		
Cash at 1 January	23,446,059	5,572,985
Cash at 31 December	<u>22,823,775</u>	<u>23,446,059</u>
Change in Net Funds	<u>(622,284)</u>	<u>17,873,074</u>

The Statement of Accounting Policies, notes 1-23 and Schedules I -V form part of the financial statements.

Chairperson: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 22.12.03

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Ráiteas Sreafa Airgid

	2002	2001
	€	€
Insreabhadh Glan Airgid Thirim/(Airgead Amach) ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin	(262,103)	19,191,416
Fónamh Airgeadais		
Ús a Fuarthas	21,820	88,607
Gníomhaíochtaí Infheistíochta		
Íocaíochtaí chun sócmhainní inláimhsithe seasta a fháil	<u>(382,001)</u>	<u>(1,406,949)</u>
Méadú/(Laghdú) glan in Airgead Tirim	<u>(622,284)</u>	<u>17,873,074</u>
Réiteach Sreafa Glan Airgid Thirim go Gluaiseacht i nGlanchistí		
Airgead Tirim ar an 1 Eanáir	23,446,059	5,572,985
Airgead Tirim ar an 31 Nollaig	<u>22,823,775</u>	<u>23,446,059</u>
Táille i nGlanchistí	<u>(622,284)</u>	<u>17,873,074</u>

Tá an Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasaíochta, nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil I – V ina gcuid de na ráitis airgeadais.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 22.12.03

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Year Ended 31st December 2002

Notes on the Financial Statements

	2002	2001
	€	€
1. Oireachtas Grants		
Recurrent Grants	600,899,013	545,683,748
Capital Grants	50,790,016	71,668,165
Research Grants	66,361,772	58,660,046
Administration Grants	4,068,333	4,595,182
IRCHSS Grants	476,808	381,136
IRCSET Grants	<u>675,000</u>	<u>38,092</u>
	<u>723,270,942</u>	<u>681,026,369</u>
2. Chest Receipts	<u>61,041</u>	<u>69,880</u>
3. Interest Earned		
Recurrent	10,881	43,756
Capital	(1,640)	12,858
Research	9,359	23,975
Administration	<u>3,220</u>	<u>8,038</u>
	<u>21,820</u>	<u>88,627</u>
4. Recurrent Grant Payments		
Grants to Universities and designated institutions	600,899,213	546,027,377
Chest Payments	<u>42,490</u>	<u>23,453</u>
	<u>600,941,703</u>	<u>546,050,830</u>

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	2002	2001
	€	€
1. Deontais Oireachtais		
Deontais Athfhillteacha	600,899,013	545,683,748
Deontais Chaipitil	50,790,016	71,668,165
Deontais Taighde	66,361,772	58,660,046
Deontais Riaracháin	4,068,333	4,595,182
Deontais IRCHSS	476,808	381,136
Deontais IRCSET	<u>675,000</u>	<u>38,092</u>
	<u>723,270,942</u>	<u>681,026,369</u>
2. Fáiltais Chest	<u>61,041</u>	<u>69,880</u>
3. Ús a Tuilleadh		
Athfhillteach	10,881	43,756
Caipiteal	(1,640)	12,858
Taighde	9,359	23,975
Riarachán	<u>3,220</u>	<u>8,038</u>
	<u>21,820</u>	<u>88,627</u>
4. Íocaíochtaí Deontas Athfhillteach		
Deontais do na hOllscoileanna agus institiúidí ainmnithe	600,899,213	546,027,377
Íocaíochtaí Chest	<u>42,490</u>	<u>23,453</u>
	<u>600,941,703</u>	<u>546,050,830</u>

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	2002 €	2001 €
5. ADMINISTRATION OVERHEADS		
STAFF COSTS		
Salaries and Wages	1,564,524	1,139,837
Superannuation	62,931	114,336
Travel and subsistence Expenses:		
Home	80,096	70,696
Foreign	58,438	56,324
Salary Recoupment	<u>260,082</u>	<u>207,361</u>
	<u>2,026,071</u>	<u>1,588,554</u>
 Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Light and Heating	21,710	17,793
Maintenance	130,286	94,537
Rent and Insurance	652,938	303,599
Depreciation	<u>331,272</u>	<u>294,469</u>
	<u>1,136,206</u>	<u>710,398</u>
 General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	195,416	162,020
Postage and Telephone	52,040	45,348
Accountancy Fees	2,000	1,134
Bank Charges	1,936	1,825
Information Technology	31,135	33,687
Staff Development	11,877	10,199
Audit Fees	<u>9,984</u>	<u>7,953</u>
	<u>304,388</u>	<u>262,166</u>
 Education Research and Development		
Publications	101,704	149,118
Seminars	27,868	20,500
Research and Survey Fees	433,985	609,253
Grants to Universities, Colleges and designated Institutions towards the Expenses of Careers and Appointments Services	<u>23,563</u>	<u>45,455</u>
	<u>587,120</u>	<u>824,326</u>
 Members fees	104,634	113,216
Total	4,158,419	3,498,660

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	2002 €	2001 €
5. FORCHOSTAIS RIARACHÁIN		
COSTAIS FOIRNE		
Tuarastáil agus Pá	1,564,524	1,139,837
Aoisliúntas	62,931	114,336
Costais taistil agus othaithe:		
Baile	80,096	70,696
Iasachta	58,438	56,324
Aisghabháil Tuarastail	<u>260,082</u>	<u>207,361</u>
	<u>2,026,071</u>	<u>1,588,554</u>
 Áitreabh – Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Solas agus Teas	21,710	17,793
Cothabháil	130,286	94,537
Cíos agus Árachas	652,938	303,599
Díluacháil	<u>331,272</u>	<u>294,469</u>
	<u>1,136,206</u>	<u>710,398</u>
 Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	195,416	162,020
Postas agus Teileafón	52,040	45,348
Táillí Cuntasaíochta	2,000	1,134
Táillí Bainc	1,936	1,825
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	31,135	33,687
Forbairt Foirne	11,877	10,199
Táillí Iniúcháin	<u>9,984</u>	<u>7,953</u>
	<u>304,388</u>	<u>262,166</u>
 Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	101,704	149,118
Seimineáir	27,868	20,500
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhé	433,985	609,253
Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus Institiúidí Ainmnithe i dtreo Chostais Ghairme agus Cheapachán		
Seirbhísí	<u>23,563</u>	<u>45,455</u>
	<u>587,120</u>	<u>824,326</u>
 Táillí ball	104,634	113,216
 Iomlán	4,158,419	3,498,660

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Year Ended 31st December 2002

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	2002 €	2001 €
6. IRCHSS OVERHEADS		
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	164,326	88,721
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	25,152	27,045
Foreign	<u>11,378</u>	<u>3,366</u>
	<u>200,856</u>	<u>119,132</u>
Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Depreciation	11,506	10,782
Rent and Insurance	35,223	11,741
Maintenance	<u>3,364</u>	<u>1,117</u>
	<u>50,093</u>	<u>23,640</u>
General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	60,628	51,854
Bank Charges	262	13
Information Technology	13,240	2,625
Postage and Telephone	<u>19,091</u>	<u>16,455</u>
	<u>93,221</u>	<u>70,947</u>
Education Research and Development		
Publications	4,668	18,142
Research and Survey Fees	93,995	80,913
ESF Membership and Networks	13,356	14,625
Seminars	5,793	11,437
Assessors Expenses	<u>30,522</u>	<u>32,778</u>
	<u>148,334</u>	<u>157,895</u>
Total	<u>492,504</u>	<u>371,614</u>

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An Bhliain Dar Críoch 31ú Nollaig 2002

Nótaí ar na Ráitis Airgeadais ar leanúint

	2002 €	2001 €
6. FORCHOSTAIS IRCHSS		
Costais Foirne		
Tuarastáil agus Pá	164,326	88,721
Costais taistil agus cothaithe:		
Baile	25,152	27,045
Iasachta	<u>11,378</u>	<u>3,366</u>
	<u>200,856</u>	<u>119,132</u>
Áitreabh – Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Díluacháil	11,506	10,782
Cíos agus Árachas	35,223	11,741
Cothabháil	<u>3,364</u>	<u>1,117</u>
	<u>50,093</u>	<u>23,640</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	60,628	51,854
Táillí Baine	262	13
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	13,240	2,625
Postas agus Teileafón	<u>19,091</u>	<u>16,455</u>
	<u>93,221</u>	<u>70,947</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	4,668	18,142
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhé	93,995	80,913
Ballraíocht agus Líonraí ESF	13,356	14,625
Seimineáir	5,793	11,437
Costais Mheasúnóra	<u>30,522</u>	<u>32,778</u>
	<u>148,334</u>	<u>157,895</u>
Iomlán	<u>492,504</u>	<u>371,614</u>

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Notes on the Financial Statements continued

	2002 €	2001 €
7. IRCSET OVERHEADS		
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	137,386	8,900
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	13,676	0
Foreign	<u>3,865</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>154,927</u>	<u>8,900</u>
Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Depreciation	66,282	1,206
Rent and Insurance	35,223	2,935
Maintenance	<u>3,364</u>	<u>279</u>
	<u>104,869</u>	<u>4,420</u>
General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	14,266	0
Bank Charges	9	0
Information Technology	14,463	0
Postage and Telephone	3,704	0
Staff Development	<u>374</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>32,816</u>	<u>0</u>
Educational Research and Development		
Research and Survey Fees	187,952	24,653
ESF Membership and Networks	1,238	0
Assessors Expenses	<u>4,078</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>193,268</u>	<u>24,653</u>
Total	<u>485,880</u>	<u>37,973</u>

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Nótaí ar na Ráitis Airgeadais ar leanúint

	2002 €	2001 €
7. FORCHOSTAIS IRCSET		
Costais Foirne		
Tuarastáil agus Pá	137,386	8,900
Costais Taistil agus Cothaithe:		
Baile	13,676	0
Iasachta	<u>3,865</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>154,927</u>	<u>8,900</u>
Áitreabh – Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Díluacháil	66,282	1,206
Cíos agus Árachas	35,223	2,935
Cothabháil	<u>3,364</u>	<u>279</u>
	<u>104,869</u>	<u>4,420</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	14,266	0
Táillí Bainc	9	0
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	14,463	0
Postas agus Teileafón	3,704	0
Forbairt Foirne	<u>374</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>32,816</u>	<u>0</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhé	187,952	24,653
Ballraíocht agus Líonraí ESF	1,238	0
Costais Mheasúnóra	<u>4,078</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>193,268</u>	<u>24,653</u>
Iomlán	<u>485,880</u>	<u>37,973</u>

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	2002 €	2001 €
8. Capital Reserve		
Balance at 1 January	1,571,504	469,526
Grants Capitalised		
HSS/SET Grant	197,384	38,178
Oireachtas Grant	184,617	1,368,771
Disposals	<u>0</u>	<u>(22,127)</u>
	<u>1,953,505</u>	<u>1,854,348</u>
Less Released to Income		
HSS/SET Grant	(77,788)	(11,988)
Less Transferred to Revenue	(331,272)	(294,469)
Disposals	<u>0</u>	<u>23,613</u>
	<u>(409,060)</u>	<u>(282,844)</u>
	<u>1,544,445</u>	<u>1,571,504</u>
Balance at 31 December	<u>1,544,445</u>	<u>1,571,504</u>

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An Bhliain Dar Críoch 31ú Nollaig 2002

Nótaí ar na Ráitis Airgeadais ar leanúint

	2002 €	2001 €
8. Cúlchiste Caipitil		
Comhardú ar an 1 Eanáir	1,571,504	469,526
Deontais Chaipitlithe		
Deontas HSS/SET	197,384	38,178
Deontas Oireachtais	184,617	1,368,771
Diúscairtí	<u>0</u>	<u>(22,127)</u>
	<u>1,953,505</u>	<u>1,854,348</u>
Lúide ar Scaoileadh le hIoncam		
Deontas HSS/SET	(77,788)	(11,988)
Lúide ar Aistríodh go Fáltas	(331,272)	(294,469)
Diúscairtí	<u>0</u>	<u>23,613</u>
	<u>(409,060)</u>	<u>(282,844)</u>
	<u>1,544,445</u>	<u>1,571,504</u>
Comhardú ar an 31 Nollaig	<u>1,544,445</u>	<u>1,571,504</u>

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Year Ended 31st December 2002

Notes on the Financial Statements continued

	Furniture & Equipment €	Computer Equipment €	2002 Total €	2001 Total €
9. FIXED ASSETS COST				
Cost or Valuation at 1 January 2002	1,776,904	520,518	2,297,422	912,600
Additions during the year	50,068	134,549	184,617	1,368,771
Disposals during the year	0	0	0	(22,127)
HSS/SET Additions	0	197,384	197,384	38,178
	<u>1,826,972</u>	<u>852,451</u>	<u>2,679,423</u>	<u>2,297,422</u>
Depreciation				
Balance at 1 January 2002	378,079	347,839	725,918	443,074
Charge for the year	181,820	149,452	331,272	294,469
Less Depreciation on Disposals	0	0	0	(23,613)
HSS/SET Depreciation	910	76,878	77,788	11,988
	<u>560,809</u>	<u>574,169</u>	<u>1,134,978</u>	<u>725,918</u>
Net Book Value at 31 December 2002	1,266,163	278,282	1,544,445	1,571,504
Net Book Value at 31 December 2001	1,398,825	172,679	1,571,504	469,526

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Nótaí ar na Ráitis Airgeadais ar leanúint

	Trosán & Trealaimh €	Trealaimh Ríomhaire €	Iomlán 2003 €	Iomlán 2002 €
9. COSTAS SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA				
Costas nó Luacháil ar an 1 Eanáir 2002	1,776,904	520,518	2,297,422	912,600
Breiseanna i rith na bliana	50,068	134,549	184,617	1,368,771
Diúscairtí i rith na bliana	0	0	0	(22,127)
Suimiúcháin HSS/SET	0	197,384	197,384	38,178
	<u>1,826,972</u>	<u>852,451</u>	<u>2,679,423</u>	<u>2,297,422</u>
Dímheas				
Comhardú ar an 1 Eanáir 2002	378,079	347,839	725,918	443,074
Táille don bhliain	181,820	149,452	331,272	294,469
Lúide Dímheas ar Diúscairtí	0	0	0	(23,613)
Dímheas HSS/SET	910	76,878	77,788	11,988
	<u>560,809</u>	<u>574,169</u>	<u>1,134,978</u>	<u>725,918</u>
Glanluach Leabhair ar an 31December 2002	1,266,163	278,282	1,544,445	1,571,504
Glanluach Leabhair ar an 31 Nollaig 2001	1,398,825	172,679	1,571,504	469,526

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	2002 €	2001 €
10. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS		
Debtors	0	19,413
HEA Prepayments	487,539	203,318
Deposit Interest Receivable	0	12,722
HSS Prepayments	30,904	13,651
Set Prepayments	<u>73,600</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>592,043</u>	<u>249,104</u>
11. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS		
Socrates/Erasmus	94,884	94,884
State Grants in Advance	0	352,987
Accruals		
- General	771,669	536,173
- Recurrent	5,808,919	4,440,718
- Capital	725,127	13,417,378
- Research	<u>15,393,828</u>	<u>4,377,468</u>
	<u>22,794,427</u>	<u>23,219,608</u>

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An Bhliain Dar Críoch 31ú Nollaig 2002

Nótaí ar na Ráitis Airgeadais ar leanúint

	2002	2001
	€	€
10. FIACHÓIRÍ AGUS RÉAMHÍOCAÍOCHTAÍ		
Fiachóirí	0	19,413
Réamhíocaíochtaí ÚAO	487,539	203,318
Ús Taisce Ar Fáil	0	12,722
Réamhíocaíochtaí HSS	30,904	13,651
Réamhíocaíochtaí Socraithe	<u>73,600</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>592,043</u>	<u>249,104</u>
11. CREIDIÚNAITHE AGUS FABHRAITHE		
Socrates/Erasmus	94,884	94,884
Deontais Stáit Réamhíochtha	0	352,987
Fabhraithe – Ginearálta		
- Athfhillteach	771,669	536,173
- Recurrent	5,808,919	4,440,718
- Caipiteal	725,127	13,417,378
- Taighde	<u>15,393,828</u>	<u>4,377,468</u>
	<u>22,794,427</u>	<u>23,219,608</u>

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	2002 €	2001 €
12. GENERAL RESERVE		
Balance 1 January		
Administration & General expenses account	53,384	23,126
Recurrent Grants Account	279,571	533,017
Capital Grants Account	51,068	50,768
Research Initiative Account	47,738	27,773
IRCHSS Account	46,088	60,343
IRCSET Account	<u>(2,294)</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>475,555</u>	<u>695,027</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		
Administration & General Expenses	59,789	30,258
Recurrent Grants	29,232	(253,446)
Capital Grants	(808)	300
Research Initiative	3,794	19,965
IRCHSS	(6,348)	(14,255)
IRCSET	<u>60,177</u>	<u>(2,294)</u>
	<u>145,836</u>	<u>(219,472)</u>
Balance 31 December		
Administration & General Expenses Account	113,173	53,384
Recurrent Grants Account	308,803	279,571
Capital Grants Account	50,260	51,068
Research Initiative Account	51,532	47,738
IRCHSS Account	39,740	46,088
IRCSET Account	<u>57,883</u>	<u>(2,294)</u>
	<u>621,391</u>	<u>475,555</u>

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	2002 €	2001 €
12. CÚLCHISTE GINEARÁLTA		
Comhardú 1 Eanáir		
Riarachán agus cuntas Costais ghinearálta	53,384	23,126
Cuntas Deontais Athfhillteach	279,571	533,017
Cuntas Deontais Chaipitil	51,068	50,768
Cuntas Tionscnaimh Taighde	47,738	27,773
Cuntas IRCHSS	46,088	60,343
Cuntas IRCSET	<u>(2,294)</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>475,555</u>	<u>695,027</u>
Barrachas/(Easnamh) don bhliain		
Riarachán agus Costais Ghinearálta	59,789	30,258
Deontais Athfhillteacha	29,232	(253,446)
Deontais Chaipitil	(808)	300
Tionscnamh Taighde	3,794	19,965
IRCHSS	(6,348)	(14,255)
IRCSET	<u>60,177</u>	<u>(2,294)</u>
	<u>145,836</u>	<u>(219,472)</u>
Comhardú 31 Nollaig		
Riarachán agus cuntas Costais ghinearálta	113,173	53,384
Cuntas Deontais Athfhillteach	308,803	279,571
Cuntas Deontais Chaipitil	50,260	51,068
Cuntas Tionscnaimh Taighde	51,532	47,738
Cuntas IRCHSS	39,740	46,088
Cuntas IRCSET	<u>57,883</u>	<u>(2,294)</u>
	<u>621,391</u>	<u>475,555</u>

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13. OIREACTHAS GRANTS

The Oireachtas grants received by the Authority in 2002 and their classification by purpose were as follows:

Vote	Administration €	Recurrent €	Capital €	Research €
Third Level and Further Education	4,068,333	600,899,013	50,790,016	66,361,772

14. COMBINED HIGHER EDUCATION SOFTWARE TEAM (CHEST)

CHEST refers to a purchasing agreement operated by Irish Universities which enables individual colleges to benefit from the economies of bulk purchasing of computer software. The HEA collects subscriptions from each college and forwards such amounts to University of Limerick which has been contracted to undertake the running of CHEST. Payments to University of Limerick in the year are included in that College's Recurrent Grant.

15. SOCRATES PROGRAMME - EU

The HEA is the national agency in Ireland for the EU funded Socrates programme.

a) ERASMUS GRANTS SCHEME

This scheme provides grants for transnational student mobility with the member states of the EU, covering a period between three and twelve months. To be eligible a person must be a fully registered student pursuing a full time course in an approved third level institution.

Funding is received from the EU and paid out to the Universities and Colleges on an academic year basis. Allocations to Universities and Colleges for the 2001/2002 and 2002/2003 academic years were €1,556,722 and €1,516,699 respectively.

Unexpended amounts are refundable to the EU at the end of each academic year.

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13. DEONTAIS OIREACHTAIS

Mar seo a leanas a bhí na deontais Oireachtais a fuair an tÚdarás i 2002 agus iad rangaithe de réir aidhme:

Vóta	Athfillteach €	Riarachán €	Caipitil €	Taighde €
An Tríú Leibhéal agus Breisoideachas	4,068,333	600,899,013	50,790,016	66,361,772

14. COMHFHOIREANN BOGEARRAÍ ARDOIDEACHAIS (CHEST)

Tagrann CHEST do chomhaontú do cheannach a oibríonn Ollscoileanna na hÉireann a chuireann ar chumas na gcoláistí éagsúla leas a bhaint as an bhairinneacht a bhaineann le bogearraí ríomhaireachta a cheannach ar an mórchóir. Bailíonn an ÚAO síntiúis ó gach coláiste agus cuireann na suimeanna sin ar aghaidh go hOllscoil Luimnigh atá faoi chonradh le CHEST a reachtáil. Tá na híocaíochtaí a déanadh le hOllscoil Luimnigh i rith na bliana áirithe i nDeontas Athfillteach an Choláiste sin.

15. CLÁR SOCRATES - AE

Is gníomhaireacht náisiúnta é an ÚAO in Éirinn do chlár Socrates, atá cistithe ag an AE.

a) SCÉIM DEONTAIS ERASMUS

Soláthraíonn an scéim seo deontais do shoghluaiseacht trasnáisiúnta mac léinn le ballstáit an AE, ag clúdach tréimhse idir thrí mhí agus bliain. Ní mór do dhuine a bheith cláraithe mar mhac léinn atá ag gabháil de chúrsa lánaimseartha in institiúid faofa tríú leibhéal le bheith incháilithe.

Faightear cistiúchán ón AE agus íoctar leis na hOllscoileanna agus leis na Coláistí é ar bhonn na bliana acadúla. Ba iad na leithdháiltí ar Ollscoileanna agus Coláiste do na blianta acadúla 2001/2002 agus 2002/2003 ná €1,556,722 agus €1,516,699 faoi seach.

Aisíoctar na suimeanna nár caitheadh leis an AE ag deireadh gach bliain acadúil.

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At 31 December 2002, an amount of €93,107 was refundable to the EU in respect of academic years up to 2001/2002. For the academic year 2002/2003 the amount, if any, refundable to the EU will be established on finalisation of all claims.

	2002 €	2001 €
Balance 1 January	244,890	46,535
INCOME		
Grant	1,609,386	2,013,150
Bank Interest	<u>1,128</u>	<u>13,482</u>
	<u>1,855,404</u>	<u>2,073,167</u>
LESS		
EXPENDITURE		
Grants to Universities, Colleges and designated institutions (See Schedule V)	1,516,699	1,768,251
Bank Charges	152	(152)
Refund to EU	0	60,178
	<u>1,516,851</u>	<u>1,828,277</u>
Balance 31 December	<u>338,553</u>	<u>244,890</u>

b) PROMOTION OF ERASMUS GRANTS SCHEME

A once-off programme funding of €109,616 was received from the EU in 1996 to run an information programme on the Erasmus grants scheme. The balance of €94,884 is treated as deferred income and included in Creditors and may be refundable in whole or in part to the EU.

16. ORTELIUS DATABASE

The Higher Education Authority has been designated as the Irish partner for the development of a database of higher education courses available in Irish Universities and Colleges, which will be included in an overall database being developed on higher education at a European level.

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Ar an 31 Nollaig 2002, bhí €93,107 le haisíoc leis an AE maidir leis na blianta acadúla suas go dtí 2001/2002. Don bhliain acadúil 2002/2003 bunófar an méid, más ann dó, atá le haisíoc leis an AE ar gach éileamh a bheith críochnaithe.

	2002 €	2001 €
Comhardú ar an 1 Eanáir	244,890	46,535
IONCAM		
Deontas	1,609,386	2,013,150
Ús Bainc	<u>1,128</u>	<u>13,482</u>
	<u>1,855,404</u>	<u>2,073,167</u>
Lúide		
CAITEACHAS		
Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus institiúidí ainmnithe (Féach Sceideal V)	1,516,699	1,768,251
Táillí Bainc	152	(152)
Aisíoc don AE	0	60,178
	<u>1,516,851</u>	<u>1,828,277</u>
Comhardú ar an 31 Nollaig	<u>338,553</u>	<u>244,890</u>

b) SCÉIM DEONTAIS ERASMUS A CHUR CHUN CINN

Fuarthas cistiúchán aon uaire de €109,616 ón AE i 1996 chun clár eolais a chur ar siúl ar scéim deontais Erasmus. Caitear leis an iarmhéid de €94,884 mar ioncam iarchurtha agus áirítear é sna Creidiúnaithe agus is féidir go mbeadh sé go léir nó cuid de le haisíoc leis an AE.

16. BUNACHAR SONRAÍ ORTELIUS

Tá an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas ainmnithe mar an gcomhpháirtí Éireannach d'fhorbairt bhunachair sonraí de na cúrsaí ardoideachais atá ar fáil in Ollscoileanna agus Coláistí na hÉireann, a áireofar i mbunachar foriomlán sonraí atá á fhorbairt ar ardoideachas ar leibhéal Eorpach

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17. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The amount of capital commitments under contract and approved by the Authority at 31 December, 2002 amounted to €71,649,980 (2001-€45,844,108). Commitments not under contract but approved by the Authority are estimated at €277,637,714 at 31 December, 2002 (2001-€86,653,457).

18. TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE

The travel and subsistence expenses of members of the Authority are included under the heading staff costs.

19. OPERATING LEASE

Premises at Marine House are held under a 25 year tenancy agreement from March 1997 at an annual cost of €233,637 with a five year review. The rent was reviewed in 2002. Premises at Brooklawn are held under two separate tenancy agreements. The first floor is held under a 25 year agreement from May 2001 with a 5 year review at an annual cost of €520,593

The ground floor is held under a 25 year agreement from November 2001 with a 5 year review at an annual cost of €322,513. This floor is totally sublet to HEAnet Limited.

20. HEAnet Ltd

This company was incorporated on 12 November, 1997. The company is limited by guarantee and the Higher Education Authority is an ordinary member of the company. The company provides internet services to subscriber higher educational and research Institutions. There was an accumulated surplus of €1,506,886 o/s on the company's activities as at 31 December 2002.

21. POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

The total expenditure on this scheme in the year was €1,353,550, which was paid out of the Research Initiatives Account.

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17. GEALLTANAIS CHAIPITIL

Ba é méid na ngealltanais caipitil faoi chonradh agus faofa ag an Údarás ar an 31 Nollaig, 2002 ná €71,649,980 (2001-€45,844,108). Tá gealltanais nach bhfuil faoi chonradh ach atá faofa ag an Údarás measta ag €277,637,714 ar an 31 Nollaig, 2002 (2001-€86,653,457).

18. TAISTEAL AGUS COTHABHÁIL

Tá costais taistil agus cothaithe bhaill an Údaráis áirithe faoin gceannteideal costais foirne.

19. LÉAS OIBRIÚCHÁIN

Tá an t-áitreabh ag Marine House faoi chomhaontú tionóntachta 25 bliain ó Mhárta 1997 ar chostas bliantúil de €233,637 le hathbhreithniú gach cúig bliana. Déanadh athbhreithniú ar an gcíos i 2002. Tá na háitribh ag Brooklawn faoi dhá chomhaontú tionóntachta ar leith. Tá an dara urlár faoi chomhaontú 25 bliain ó Bhealtaine 2001 le hathbhreithniú gach 5 bliana ar chostas bliantúil de €520,593

Tá an chéad urlár faoi chomhaontú 25 bliain ó Shamhain 2001 le hathbhreithniú gach 5 bliana ar chostas bliantúil de €322,513. Tá an t-urlár go léir foligthe le HEAnet Limited.

20. HEAnet Ltd

Déanadh inchorprú ar an gcomhlacht seo ar an 12 Samhain, 1997. Tá an comhlacht faoi theorainn ráthaíochta agus is gnáthbhall den chomhlacht é an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas. Soláthraíonn an comhlacht seirbhísí idirlín d'Institiúidí ardoideachais agus taighde ar rannpháirtithe iad. Bhí barrachas carnach de €1,506,886 o/s ar ghníomhaíochtaí an chomhlachta ar an 31 Nollaig.

21. SCÉIM CHOMHALTACHTA IARDHOCHTÚIREACHTA

Ba é iomlán an chaiteachais ar an scéim seo don bhliain ná €1,353,550, a íocadh as Cuntas na dTionscnamh Taighde.

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22. SUPERANNUATION

Pensions note for the Higher Education Authority (HEA) Accounts for year ended 31/12/2002.

FRS17 Retirement Benefits

Company Accounts – Pension Disclosures under FRS17

Higher Education Authority Superannuation Scheme

Balance sheet

Presentation

	At year-end 31/12/2002 €000s	At year-end 31/12/2001 €000's
Net assets excluding pension asset	-	-
Net Pension asset	<u>(4,508)</u>	<u>(3,711)</u>
Net assets including pension asset	(4,508)	(3,711)

Reserves note

	At year-end 31/12/2002 €000s	At year-end 31/12/2001 €000's
Profit & loss reserve excluding pension asset	-	-
	<u>(4,508)</u>	<u>(3,711)</u>
Pension reserve	(4,508)	(3,711)

Profit & loss reserve

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22. AOISLIÚNTAS

Nóta pinsin do Chuntais an Údaráis um Ardoideachas (ÚAO) don bhliain dar críoch 31/12/2002.

Sochair Scoir FRS17

Cuntais Chuideachta – Faisnéisiú Pinsin faoi FRS17

Scéim Aoisliúntais an Údaráis um Ardoideachas

Clár Comhardaithe

Cur i Láthair

	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2002 €000s	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2001 €000's
Glansócmhainní seachas sócmhainní pinsin	-	-
Glansócmhainn Pinsin	<u>(4,508)</u>	<u>(3,711)</u>
Glansócmhainní ag áireamh sócmhainní pinsin	(4,508)	(3,711)

Nóta ar Chúlchistí

	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2002 €000s	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2001 €000's
Cúlchiste brabúis agus cailiteanais seachas sócmhainní pinsin	<u>(4,508)</u>	<u>(3,711)</u>
Cúlchiste Pinsin	(4,508)	(3,711)

Cúlchiste brabúis agus cailiteanais

Pension Cost Note

Composition of the scheme

The Higher Education Authority (HEA) operates an unfunded defined benefit pension scheme.

An actuarial valuation was carried out as at 31st December 2002 by a qualified independent actuary to take account of the requirements of FRS17. As an unfunded scheme there is no actual fund of assets backing the accrued liabilities. In accordance with the transitional arrangements for the introduction of FRS17 the following information is given by way of note only.

	At year-end 31/12/2002	At year-end 31/12/2001
Rate of increase in salaries	4.00%	4.00%
Rate of increase of pensions in payment	3.50%	3.50%
Discount rate	5.50%	5.50%
Inflation assumption	2.25%	2.25%
Actuarial value of liability	<u>(4,508)</u>	<u>(3,711)</u>
Recoverable surplus/(deficit) in scheme	(4,508)	(3,711)
Related deferred tax asset/(liability)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net pension asset/(liability)	(4,508)	(3,711)

The following shows the effect on the financial statements had the provisions of FRS17 been implemented in full:

Analysis of the amount which would be charged to operating profit	Year to 31/12/2002 €000's
Service cost (net of employee contributions)	95
Past service cost	-
(Gains)/Losses on Settlements & Curtailments	<u>-</u>
Total operating charge	95

Analysis of net return on pension scheme which would be included in operating profit	Year to 31/12/2002 €000's
Expected return on pension scheme assets	-
Interest on pension liabilities	<u>(223)</u>
Net return	(223)

Nóta Costais Phinsin

Comhdhéanamh na scéime

Oibríonn an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas (ÚAO) scéim pinsin sochar sainithe neamhchistithe.

Rinne achtúire cáilithe neamhspleách luacháil achtúireach mar a bhí ar an 31ú Nollaig 2002 ag tógáil ceann de riachtanais FRS17. Mar scéim neamhchistithe ní ann d'aon chiste de shócmhainní mar chúltaca leis na dliteanais fhabhráithe. Ag teacht leis na socrúithe eatramhacha do thabhairt isteach an FRS17 is i bhfoirm nóta amháin a thugtar an t-eolas seo a leanas.

	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2002	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2001
Ráta méadaithe tuarastail	4.00%	4.00%
Ráta méadaithe pinsin in íocaíocht	3.50%	3.50%
Ráta lascaine	5.50%	5.50%
Toimhdean boilscithe	2.25%	2.25%
Luach achtúireach dliteanais	<u>(4,508)</u>	<u>(3,711)</u>
Barrachas/(easnamh) i scéimeanna is féidir a aisghabháil	(4,508)	(3,711)
Sócmhainn/(dliteanas) cánach iarchurtha gaolmhar	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Glansócmhainn/(dliteanas) pinsin	(4,508)	(3,711)

Léiríonn seo a leanas an tionchar a bheadh ar na ráitis airgeadais dá gcuirfí forálacha FRS17 i bhfeidhm ina n-iomláine:

Anailís ar an méid a ghearrfaí ar bhrabús oibriúcháin na	Bliana go dtí 31/12/2002 €000's
Costas seirbhíse (glan ar ranníocaíochtaí fostaí)	95
Costas seirbhíse caite	-
(Gnóthachain)/Cailiteanais ar Shocrúcháin & Chiorrúcháin	<u>-</u>
Táille iomlán oibriúcháin	95
Anailís ar ghlansochar ar scéim pinsin a áireofaí i mbreabús oibriúcháin na	Bliana go dtí 31/12/2002 €000's
Sochar a bhfuiltear ag súil leis ar shócmhainní scéime pinsin	-
Ús ar dhliteanais phinsin	<u>(223)</u>
Glansochar	(223)

Analysis of amount which would be recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses (STRGL)

	Year to 31/12/2002 €000's
Actual return less expected on assets	-
Experience gains and losses on liabilities	(120)
Changes in assumptions	<u>(399)</u>
Actuarial gain/(loss) recognised in STRGL	(519)

Movement in surplus during the year

	Year to 31/12/2002 €000's
Surplus in scheme at beginning of year	(3,711)
Movement in year:	
(Current service cost)	(95)
Employer Contributions	40
(Past service costs)	-
(Loss on Settlements and Curtailments)	-
Other finance income	(223)
Actuarial gain/(loss)	<u>(519)</u>
Surplus in scheme at end of year	(4,508)

History of experience gains and losses

	2002
Experience gains and losses on scheme liabilities: amount (€)	(120)
percentage of scheme liabilities	3%
Total amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses: amount (€)	(519)
percentage of scheme liabilities	(12%)

23. The financial accounts were approved by the Board on 18th March 2003

Anailís ar an méid a aithneofaí i ráiteas ar ghnóthachain agus chaillteanais aitheanta (STRGL)

	An Bhliain go dtí 31/12/2002 €000's
Fíorshochar lúide a bhfuiltear ag súil leis ar shócmhainní	-
Gnóthachain agus caillteanais a bheith ar dhliteanais	(120)
Athruithe ar thoimhdeana	<u>(399)</u>
Gnóthachan/(caillteanas) fabhraithe aitheanta i STRGL	(519)

Gluaiseacht i mbarrachas i rith na bliana An Bhliain go dtí

	An Bhliain go dtí 31/12/2002 €000's
Barrachas sa scéim ag tús bliana	(3,711)
Gluaiseacht sa bhliain:	
(Costas reatha seirbhíse)	(95)
Ranníocaíochtaí Fostóra	40
(Costais seanseirbhíse)	-
(Caillteanais ar Shocruithe & Chiorrúcháin)	-
Ioncam eile airgeadais	(223)
Gnóthachan/(caillteanas) fabhraithe	<u>(519)</u>
Barrachas sa scéim ag deireadh bliana	(4,508)

Stair ghnóthachain agus chaillteanais a bheith ar dhliteanais	2002
Gnóthacháin agus caillteanais a bheith ar scéim dhliteanais: méid (€)	(120)
céatadán de dhliteanais na scéime	3%
Iomlán an mhéid a aithníodh i ráiteas ar iomlán na ngnóthachan agus na gcaillteanas aitheanta: méid (€)	(519)
céatadán de dhliteanais na scéime	(12%)

23. Rinne an Bord faomhadh ar na cuntais airgeadais ar an 18ú Márta 2003

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Summary of All Grants 2002

SCHEDULE I

	Recurrent Grants	Capital Grants	Erasmus Grants	Research Grants	2002 Total	2001 Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€
National University of Ireland	12,697				12,697	224,065
University College, Dublin	146,735,841	10,649,217	228,694	14,397,775	172,011,527	168,469,910
University College Cork	96,440,457	2,890,504	173,305	6887,721	106,391,987	107,891,665
National University of Ireland, Galway	73,844,045	2,652,382	149,917	7,458,748	84,105,092	72,035,577
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	34,838,365	12,815,878	36,005	4,020,886	51,711,134	34,937,778
Trinity College Dublin	102,468,042	5,210,809	193,795	11,588,668	119,461,314	112,782,020
Dublin City University	44,553,002	11,463,104	128,119	4,541,329	60,685,554	66,255,653
University of Limerick	60,298,985	2,229,474	162,325	2,511,409	65,202,193	60,970,847
National College of Art And Design	9,684,427	387,846	31,131	28,570	10,131,974	10,811,833
Royal Irish Academy	2,826,000		0		2,826,000	2,553,443
Mary Immaculate College	12,932,493	982,457	26,550	123,366	14,064,866	13,152,793
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	14,405,859	896,298	27,140	122,378	15,451,675	10,906,764
Athlone Institute of Technology			6,455	138,092	144,547	139,177
Blanchardstown Institute of Technology			20,400		20,400	5,400
Institute of Technology, Carlow			18,605	100,000	118,605	129,415
Cork Institute of Technology			16,325	126,315	142,640	1,136,628
Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies				1,355,000	1,355,000	
Dublin Institute of Technology			99,365	941,671	1,041,036	964,978
Dundalk Institute of Technology			13,545		13,545	34,720
Galway – Mayo Institute of Technology			32,400	65,432	97,832	25,801
Letterkenny Institute of Technology			765	4,763	5,528	12,154
Limerick Institute of Technology			8,488	9,525	18,013	7,730
Institute of Technology, Sligo			31,731	175,000	206,731	427,795
Institute of Technology, Tallaght			47,365		47,365	18,340
Institute of Technology, Tralee			16,985	38,092	55,077	37,276
Waterford Institute of Technology			15,856	586,749	602,605	30,599
Froebel College of Education			(2,411)		-2,411	5,125
HEAnet	950,000			8,236,563	9,186,563	8,993,509
Mater Dei Institute of Education			8,885		8,885	8,780
National College of Ireland			22,539		22,539	34,920
National Council for Educational Awards						126,974
Queen's University Belfast						0
Royal College of Surgeons In Ireland	909,000	611,215	180	2,829,175	4,349,570	5,320,249
St. Angelas College						665
St. Catherine's College of Education for Home Economics			2,240		2,240	5,480
Dunlaoghaire Institute of Technology				54,712	54,712	35,098
The Milltown Institute of Technology & Philosophy						904
All Hallows College						(-671)
St Patrick's College Maynooth				25,397	25,397	0
Total	600,899,213	50,789,184	1,516,699	66,367,336	719,572,432	678,493,394

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Achoimre ar Gach Deontas 2002

SCEIDEAL I

	Deontais Athfhillteacha	Deontais Chaipitil	Deontais Erasmus	Deontais Taignde	Iomlán 2002	Iomlán 2001
	€	€	€	€	€	€
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann	12,697				12,697	224,065
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	146,735,841	10,649,217	228,694	14,397,775	172,011,527	168,469,910
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	96,440,457	2,890,504	173,305	6887,721	106,391,987	107,891,665
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Gaillimh	73,844,045	2,652,382	149,917	7,458,748	84,105,092	72,035,577
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Má Nuad	34,838,365	12,815,878	36,005	4,020,886	51,711,134	34,937,778
Coláiste na Tríonóide Baile Átha Cliath	102,468,042	5,210,809	193,795	11,588,668	119,461,314	112,782,020
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	44,553,002	11,463,104	128,119	4,541,329	60,685,554	66,255,653
Ollscoil Luimnigh	60,298,985	2,229,474	162,325	2,511,409	65,202,193	60,970,847
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	9,684,427	387,846	31,131	28,570	10,131,974	10,811,833
Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann	2,826,000		0		2,826,000	2,553,443
Coláiste Mhuire gan Smál	12,932,493	982,457	26,550	123,366	14,064,866	13,152,793
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	14,405,859	896,298	27,140	122,378	15,451,675	10,906,764
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Átha Luain			6,455	138,092	144,547	139,177
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Bhlainséir			20,400		20,400	5,400
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Ceatharlach			18,605	100,000	118,605	129,415
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí			16,325	126,315	142,640	1,136,628
Institiúid Ard-Léinn Bhaile Átha Cliath				1,355,000	1,355,000	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath			99,365	941,671	1,041,036	964,978
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan			13,545		13,545	34,720
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta na Gaillimhe - Mhuigh Eo			32,400	65,432	97,832	25,801
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn			765	4,763	5,528	12,154
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh			8,488	9,525	18,013	7,730
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sligeach			31,731	175,000	206,731	427,795
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht			47,365		47,365	18,340
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí			16,985	38,092	55,077	37,276
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge			15,856	586,749	602,605	30,599
Coláiste Oideachais Froebel			(2,411)		-2,411	5,125
HEAnet	950,000			8,236,563	9,186,563	8,993,509
Institiúid Oideachais Mater Dei			8,885		8,885	8,780
Coláiste Náisiúnta na hÉireann			22,539		22,539	34,920
Comhairle Náisiúnta na gCáilíochtaí Oideachais						126,974
Ollscoil na Ríona Béal Feirste						0
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinlia in Éirinn	909,000	611,215	180	2,829,175	4,349,570	5,320,249
Coláiste San Aingeal						665
Coláiste Oideachais Tís San Caitríona			2,240		2,240	5,480
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Laoghaire				54,712	54,712	35,098
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta & Fealsúnachta Bhaile an Mhuilinn						904
Coláiste All Hallows						(-671)
Coláiste Phádraig, Má Nuad				25,397	25,397	0
Iomlán	600,899,213	50,789,184	1,516,699	66,367,336	719,572,432	678,493,394

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Recurrent Grant Expenditure

SCHEDULE II

Institution	Annual Grants €	Minor Works Grant €	Fee Recoupment €	(A) Increased Intake €	(B) Targeted Initiatives €	(C) Other Schemes €	2002 Total €	2001 Total €
National University of Ireland	12,697							12,697
University College, Dublin (D)	99,732,000	760,000	38,244,345	3,515,000	2,083,000	2,401,496	146,735,841	134,056,007
University College Cork (E)	58,062,500	240,000	28,925,441	4,508,500	1,762,000	2,942,016	96,440,457	90,081,888
National University of Ireland, Galway	41,619,600	140,000	24,975,346	2,966,500	2,799,000	1,343,599	73,844,045	63,651,262
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	19,580,000	64,000	11,228,376	1,941,000	686,000	1,338,989	34,838,365	31,000,556
Trinity College Dublin	68,977,600	228,000	26,865,207	3,047,000	1,725,000	1,625,235	102,468,042	94,113,641
Dublin City University	22,111,000	95,230	15,615,714	3,571,000	1,482,000	1,678,058	44,553,002	40,355,595
University of Limerick (F)	30,877,000	95,000	21,498,736	2,772,000	1,857,000	3,199,249	60,298,985	56,324,610
National College of Art and Design	8,363,000		1,086,946	93,000		141,481	9,684,427	10,420,629
National Council for Educational Awards							0	126,974
Royal Irish Academy	2,826,000						2,826,000	2,553,443
Mary Immaculate College (G)	5,755,000		5,055,423	1,402,000	513,000	207,070	12,932,493	11,464,395
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra (G)	7,680,000		4,504,448	1,672,000	333,000	216,411	14,405,859	10,874,014
HEAnet/Hiber	950,000						950,000	1,269,738
Royal College of Surgeons			627,000	282,000			909,000	74,915
Total	366,546,397	1,622,230	178,626,982	25,770,000	13,240,000	15,093,604	600,899,213	546,380,364

Notes

- (a) The Advanced Technical Skills Programme was replaced with the exchequer funded Graduate Skills conversion Programme with effect from 1999 / 2000. Expenditure under this programme €7,891,519 is included under the Increased Intake heading.
- (b) Targeted Initiatives include the following: Improved Access/ Disadvantaged/Mature Students €6,145,000, Irish Language €1,500,000, Integrated Management Information Systems €1,500,000, Progression €207,000, Student Retention €770,000, Support for teaching €668,000, and Strategies for use of Technology in Higher Education €1,180,000 = €11,960,000 (+ New University Accounts and Miscellaneous Proposals) = €13,240,000.
- (c) This refers to the following schemes administered by the HEA on behalf of the Department of Education and Science. It includes Special Fund for Students with Disabilities €1,729,046 and ESF aided Student Assistance/ Access Fund €5,181,255. Also includes €2,914,800 for ICT skills.
- (d) Included in the UCD annual grant is €130,000 paid to AHEAD (Association for Higher Education Access and Disability).
- (e) Included in the UCC annual grant is €168,000 paid to the Higher Education Equality Unit.
- (f) Mary Immaculate College is paid through the University of Limerick, St. Patrick's Drumcondra is paid through Dublin City University.
- (g) Included in the UL annual grant is €1,395,712 paid to the National Coaching and Training Centre on behalf of the Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation.

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Caiteachas Deontais Athfhillteach

SCEIDEAL II

	Deontais Bhliantúla	Deontas Mionobireacha	Aisghabháil Táilí	Iontógáil Méadaithe	(A)	(B)	(C)	Iomlán 2001
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
Institiúid	12,697							12,697
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann	99,732,000	760,000	38,244,345	3,515,000	2,083,000	2,401,496	146,735,841	134,056,007
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath (D)	58,062,500	240,000	28,925,441	4,508,500	1,762,000	2,942,016	96,440,457	90,081,888
Coláiste na hOllscoile Concaigh (E)	41,619,600	140,000	24,975,346	2,966,500	2,799,000	1,343,599	73,844,045	63,651,262
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Gaillimh	19,580,000	64,000	11,228,376	1,941,000	686,000	1,338,989	34,838,365	31,000,556
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Má Nuad	68,977,600	228,000	26,865,207	3,047,000	1,725,000	1,625,235	102,468,042	94,113,641
Coláiste na Tríonóide Baile Átha Cliath	22,111,000	95,230	15,615,714	3,571,000	1,482,000	1,678,058	44,553,002	40,355,595
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	30,877,000	95,000	21,498,736	2,772,000	1,857,000	3,199,249	60,298,985	56,324,610
Ollscoil Luimnigh (F)	8,363,000		1,086,946	93,000		141,481	9,684,427	10,420,629
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha							0	126,974
Comhairle Náisiúnta na gcÁilíochtaí Oirdeachais								
Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann	2,826,000						2,826,000	2,553,443
Coláiste Mhuire gan Smál (G)	5,755,000		5,055,423	1,402,000	513,000	207,070	12,932,493	11,464,395
Coláiste Phódraig, Droim Conrach (G)	7,680,000		4,504,448	1,672,000	333,000	216,411	14,405,859	10,874,014
HEAnet/Hiber	950,000						950,000	1,269,738
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinlia	366,546,397	1,622,230	178,626,982	25,770,000	13,240,000	15,093,604	600,899,213	546,380,364
Iomlán								

Nótaí

- (a) Cuirtear Clár claochlaithe Sceilleana Chéimithe in ionad an Chláir Ardsceilleana Teicniúla le feidhm ó 1999/2000. Tá caiteachas €7,891,519 faoin gclár seo áirithe faoin gceantairdeál Iontógáil Mhédaithe.
- (b) Ar na Spriocionscnamh tá siad seo a leanas: Feabhas ar Rochtán/ Míbhuntáistí/ Mic Léinn Lánfhásta €6,145,000, An Ghaeilge €1,500,000, Córais Comhtháite Bainistíochta Eolaíse €1,500,000, Dul Chun Cinn €207,000, Coinneáil Mac Léinn €770,000, Tacaíocht do Mhuirteoireacht €658,000, agus Straitéisí d'úsáid Teicneolaíochta san Ardoideachas €1,180,000 (+ Cuntais Nua Ollscoile agus Moltair Ighnímhíneacha = €13,240,000).
- (c) Tagrann seo do na scéimeanna seo a leanas atá riartha ag an UAO thar ceann an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta. Áirítear ann an Ciste Speisialta do Mhic Léinn atá faoi Mhíchumas €1,729,046 agus Ciste Cúnamh Mac Léinn/ Rochtana ESF chuidithe €5,181,255. Áirítear €2,914,800 ann freisin do scileanna TFC.
- (d) Tá €130,000 áirithe i ndeontas bliantúil COBÁC a foictar le AHEAD (Cumann um Rochtana Ardoideachas agus Míchumas).
- (e) Tá €168,000 áirithe i ndeontas bliantúil COC a foictar le hAonad Comhionannais an Aird-Oideachais.
- (f) foictar Coláiste Mhuire gan Smál trí Ollscoil Luimnigh; foictar Coláiste Phódraig Droim Conrach trí Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath.
- (g) Tá €1,395,712 áirithe i ndeontas bliantúil OL a foictar leis an Ionad Náisiúnta Oiliúna agus Traenála thar ceann an Roinn Turasoireachta, Spóirt agus Áineasa.

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Capital Grants 2002

SCHEDULE III

	BUILDING GRANTS	EQUIPMENT GRANTS	MAINTENANCE GRANTS	2002 TOTAL	2001 TOTAL
	€	€	€	€	€
Institution					
University College, Dublin	7,890,569	1,552,648	1,206,000	10,649,217	27,250,871
University College Cork	241,017	1,011,487	1,638,000	2,890,504	7,869,047
National University of Ireland, Galway	1,917,382	735,000		2,652,382	2,684,226
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	12,410,878	405,000		12,815,878	2,190,232
Trinity College Dublin	4,051,809	1,159,000		5,210,809	5,747,508
Dublin City University	10,955,104	508,000		11,463,104	21,439,574
University of Limerick	1,523,474	706,000		2,229,474	1,497,926
National College of Art and Design	327,846	60,000		387,846	361,875
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	606,298	290,000		896,298	0
Mary Immaculate College	781,209	137,248	64,000	982,457	1,647,207
HEAnet				0	634,869
Royal College of Surgeons	611,215			611,215	146,020
National Univeristy of Ireland				0	211,368
Total	41,316,801	6,564,383	2,908,000	50,789,184	71,680,723

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Deontais Chaipitil 2002

SCEIDEAL III

	DEONTAIS TÓGÁLA	DEONTAIS TREALAIMH	DEONTAIS COTHABHÁLA	IOMLÁN 2002	IOMLÁN 2001
	€	€	€	€	€
Institiúid					
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	7,890,569	1,552,648	1,206,000	10,649,217	27,250,871
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	241,017	1,011,487	1,638,000	2,890,504	7,869,047
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Gaillimh	1,917,382	735,000		2,652,382	2,684,226
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann, Má Nuad	12,410,878	405,000		12,815,878	2,190,232
Coláiste na Tríonóide Baile Átha Cliath	4,051,809	1,159,000		5,210,809	5,747,508
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	10,955,104	508,000		11,463,104	21,439,574
Ollscoil Luimnigh	1,523,474	706,000		2,229,474	1,497,926
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	327,846	60,000		387,846	361,875
St. Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	606,298	290,000		896,298	0
Coláiste Mhuire gan Smál	781,209	137,248	64,000	982,457	1,647,207
HEAnet				0	634,869
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinlia	611,215			611,215	146,020
Ollscoil Náisiúnta na hÉireann				0	211,368
Iomlán	41,316,801	6,564,383	2,908,000	50,789,184	71,680,723

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Research Initiative Grant Expenditure

SCHEDULE IV

	PRTL Recurrent	Des Post Doctoral Fellowship	Media Lab Europe	Set Post Graduate Scholarships & Basic Research Grants	HSS Scholarships + Post Doctoral Fellowships	Prtli Building Grants	PRTL Equipment Grants	2002 Total	2001 Total
Institution	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
University College, Dublin	4,336,000	79,466	195,204	952,567	1,371,521	7,207,100	255,917	14,397,775	6,890,235
University College Cork	2,750,000	5,502	67,990	738,327	861,494	1,939,011	525,397	6,887,721	9,731,860
National University of Ireland, Galway	2,830,000	44,546		487,444	575,133	3,505,632	15,993	7,458,748	5,529,819
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	280,000	30,261	56,000	179,521	785,152	2,556,546	133,406	4,020,886	1,726,783
Trinity College Dublin	5,128,345	46,559	613,738	608,412	1,551,813	3,117,074	522,727	11,588,668	12,716,831
Dublin City University	2,818,000		100,000	289,808	318,283	985,612	29,626	4,541,329	4,226,119
University of Limerick	415,000		92,000	450,661	361,697	1,107,281	84,770	2,511,409	2,943,187
Royal College of Surgeons	2,300,000	14,815			19,046	120,581	374,733	2,829,175	5,100,589
Athlone Institute of Technology	100,000				38,092			138,092	133,322
Cork Institute of Technology				4,763	19,046	17,328	85,178	126,315	1,107,978
Dublin Institute of Technology	405,000	6,349			114,277	416,045		941,671	865,230
Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies	1,355,000							1,355,000	
Dunlaoghaire Institute of Technology					54,712			54,712	35,098
Galway - Mayo Institute of Technology				65,432				65,432	
Institute of Technology, Carlow	100,000							100,000	120,625
Institute of Technology, Tralee					38,092			38,092	19,046
Institute of Technology, Sligo	175,000							175,000	395,784
Letterkenny Institute of Technology				4,763				4,763	
Limerick Institute of Education				9,525				9,525	
The Milltown Institute of Technology & Philosophy								0	904
St Patrick's College Maynooth					25,397			25,397	
Waterford Institute of Technology	555,000			19,050	12,699			586,749	6,349
HEAnet	6,950,000						1,286,563	8,236,563	7,088,902
National College of Art and Design					28,570			28,570	6,349
Mary Immaculate College					123,366			123,366	12,697
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra			90,633		31,745			122,378	6,349
Total	30,497,345	227,498	1,215,565	3,810,273	6,330,135	20,972,210	3,314,310	66,367,336	58,664,056

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Caiteachas um Dheontas Tionscnaimh Thairghe

SCEIDEAL IV

	PRTLÍ Athfhillteach	Comhaltacht Iardhochtúireachta Des	Media Lab Europe	Grúpa Deontas do Scoláireachtaí agus Buntaighde Iarchéime	Scoláireachtaí agus Comhaltachtaí Iardhochtúireachta HSS	Deontas Tógála PRTLÍ	Deontais Trealamh PRTLÍ	2002 Iomlán	2001 Iomlán
Institiúid	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	4,336,000	79,466	195,204	952,567	1,371,521	7,207,100	255,917	14,397,775	6,890,235
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	2,750,000	5,502	67,990	738,327	861,494	1,939,011	525,397	6,887,721	9,731,860
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	2,830,000	44,546		487,444	575,133	3,505,632	15,993	7,458,748	5,529,819
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	280,000	30,261	56,000	179,521	785,152	2,556,546	133,406	4,020,886	1,726,783
Coláiste na Tríonóide Baile Átha Cliath	5,128,345	46,559	613,738	608,412	1,551,813	3,117,074	522,727	11,588,668	12,716,831
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	2,818,000		100,000	289,808	318,283	985,612	29,626	4,541,329	4,226,119
Ollscoil Luimnigh	415,000		92,000	450,661	361,697	1,107,281	84,770	2,511,409	2,943,187
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá	2,300,000	14,815			19,046	120,581	374,733	2,829,175	5,100,589
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain	100,000				38,092			138,092	133,322
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí				4,763	19,046	17,328	85,178	126,315	1,107,978
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath	405,000	6,349			114,277	416,045		941,671	865,230
Institiúid Ard-Léinn Bhaile Átha Cliath	1,355,000							1,355,000	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Laoghaire					54,712			54,712	35,098
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe - Maigh Eo				65,432				65,432	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach	100,000							100,000	120,625
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí					38,092			38,092	19,046
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sligeach	175,000							175,000	395,784
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceannainn				4,763				4,763	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh				9,525				9,525	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta & Fealsúnachta Bhaile an Mhuilinn								0	904
Coláiste Phádraig, Má Nuad					25,397			25,397	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge	555,000			19,050	12,699			586,749	6,349
HEAnet	6,950,000						1,286,563	8,236,563	7,088,902
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaine is Deartha					28,570			28,570	6,349
Coláiste Mhuire gan Smál					123,366			123,366	12,697
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach			90,633		31,745			122,378	6,349
Iomlán	30,497,345	227,498	1,215,565	3,810,273	6,330,135	20,972,210	3,314,310	66,367,336	58,664,056

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Socrates - Erasmus Grants 2002

SCHEDULE V

Institution	2002 TOTAL	2001 TOTAL
	€	€
University College, Dublin	228,694	272,797
University College Cork	173,305	208,870
National University of Ireland, Galway	149,917	170,270
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	36,005	20,207
Trinity College Dublin	193,795	204,040
Dublin City University	128,119	234,365
University of Limerick	162,325	205,124
National College of Art and Design	31,131	22,980
Mary Immaculate College	26,550	28,494
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	27,140	26,401
Athlone Institute of Technology	6,455	5,855
Blanchardstown Institute of Technology	20,400	5,400
Institute of Technology, Carlow	18,605	8,790
Cork Institute of Technology	16,325	28,650
Dublin Institute of Technology	99,365	99,748
Dundalk Institute of Technology	13,545	34,720
Galway – Mayo Institute of Technology	32,400	25,801
Letterkenny Institute of Technology	765	12,154
Limerick Institute of Technology	8,488	7,730
Institute of Technology, Sligo	31,731	32,011
Institute of Technology, Tallaght	47,365	18,340
Institute of Technology, Tralee	16,985	18,230
Waterford Institute of Technology	15,856	24,250
Froebel College of Education	(2,411)	5,125
Mater Dei Institute of Education	8,885	8,780
National College of Ireland	22,539	34,920
St. Angelas College	180	665
St. Catherine's College of Education for Home Economics	2,240	5,480
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	0	(-1275)
All Hallows College	0	(-671)
Total	1,516,699	1,768,251

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Sceidil leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2002

Deontais Socrates - Erasmus 2002

SCEIDEAL V

Institiúid	IOMLÁN 2002	IOMLÁN 2001
	€	€
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	228,694	272,797
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	173,305	208,870
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	149,917	170,270
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	36,005	20,207
Coláiste na Tríonóide Baile Átha Cliath	193,795	204,040
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	128,119	234,365
Ollscoil Luimnigh	162,325	205,124
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	31,131	22,980
Coláiste Mhuire gan Smál	26,550	28,494
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	27,140	26,401
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain	6,455	5,855
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Baile Bhlainséir	20,400	5,400
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach	18,605	8,790
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí	16,325	28,650
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath	99,365	99,748
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan	13,545	34,720
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe – Maigh Eo	32,400	25,801
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn	765	12,154
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh	8,488	7,730
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sligeach	31,731	32,011
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht	47,365	18,340
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí	16,985	18,230
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge	15,856	24,250
Coláiste Oideachais Froebel	(2,411)	5,125
Institiúid Oideachais Mater Dei	8,885	8,780
Ollscoil na hÉireann	22,539	34,920
Coláiste Aingeal Naofa	180	665
Coláiste Tís Chaitríona Naofa	2,240	5,480
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá in Éirinn	0	(-1275)
Coláiste All Hallows	0	(-671)
Iomlán	1,516,699	1,768,251

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Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for presentation to the Houses of the Oireachtas

I have audited the financial statements on pages 2 to 25 under Paragraph 20 (2) of the Schedule to the Higher Education Authority Act, 1971.

Respective Responsibilities of n tÚdarás and the Comptroller and Auditor General

The accounting responsibilities of an tÚdarás are set out in the Statement of Responsibilities of An tÚdarás Um Ard-Oideachas on page 126. It is my responsibility, based on my audit, to form an independent opinion on the financial statements presented to me by an tÚdarás and to report on them.

I review whether the statement on page 126 reflects compliance by an tÚdarás with applicable guidance on corporate governance and report any material instance where it does not do so, or if the statement is misleading or inconsistent with other information of which I am aware from my audit of the financial statements.

Basis of Audit Opinion

In the exercise of my function as Comptroller and Auditor General, I conducted my audit of the financial statements in accordance with auditing standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board and by reference to the special considerations which attach to State bodies in relation to their management and operation.

An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in financial statements. It also includes an assessment of significant estimates and judgements made in preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of an tÚdarás, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I planned and performed my audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations that I considered necessary to provide me with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurances that the financial statements are free from material misstatement whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming my opinion I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by an tÚdarás and the financial statements, which are in agreement with them, give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of An tÚdarás Um Ard-Oideachas at 31 December 2003 and of its income and expenditure and cash flow for the year then ended.

John Purcell

Comptroller and Auditor General

29 September 2004

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Tuarascáil an Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste le cur faoi bhráid Tithe an Oireachtais

Táim tar éis iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar na ráitis airgeadais ar leathnaigh 2 go 25 faoi Alt 20 (2) de Sceideal an Acht an Údarás um Ardoideachas, 1971.

Freagrachtaí atá ar an Údarás agus ar an Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste

Tá freagrachtaí cuntasafóchta an Údarás leagtha amach sa Ráiteas de Fhreagrachtaí an Údarás um Ardoideachas ar leathanach leathanach 127. Tá an freagracht ormsa, bunaithe ar m'iniúchadh, barúil neamhspleách a dhéanamh ar na ráitis airgeadais a tugadh dom ag an Údarás agus tuairisciú a dhéanamh orthu.

Déanaim athbhreithniú maidir leis an ráiteas ar leathanach leathanach 127 féachaint an bhfuil an tÚdarás ag géilleadh don treoir a bhaineann le rialachas corparáideach agus tuairisc a dhéanamh ar aon ní substaintiúil nuair nach bhfuiltear ag géilleadh, nó má tá an ráiteas míthreorach nó ar neamhréir le heolas eile atá ar eolas agam ó m'iniúchadh ar na ráitis airgeadais.

Bonn do Bharúil Iniúchta

Is mé i mbun cleachtadh na feidhme atá agam i m'Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste, dhéan mé m'iniúchadh ar na ráitis airgeadais de réir na gcaighdeán iniúchta atá eisithe ag an mBord um Chleachtas Iniúcháireachta agus trí thagairt do na gnéithe speisialta a bhaineann le Comhlachtaí Stáit maidir lena mbainistíocht agus lena bhfeidhmiúchán.

Cuimsíonn iniúchadh scrúdú, ar bhonn tástála, ar fhianaise ábharthach leis na méideanna agus na nochtaithe i ráitis airgeadais. Cuimsíonn sé chomh maith measúnú ar mheastacháin agus ar bhreithiúnais suntasacha a déanadh in ullmhúchán na ráiteas airgeadais, agus le féachaint chomh maith an bhfuil na polasaithe cuntasafóchta cuí maidir le cúinsí an Údarás, curtha i bhfeidhm mar is cóir agus le leornochtadh.

Phleanáil mé agus chuir mé i bhfeidhm m'iniúchadh chun go ngeobhfainn gach eolas agus gach freagra a mheas mé a bheith riachtanach chun soláthar a dhéanamh ar leorfhianaise chun dearbhuithe réasúnta a thabhairt go bhfuil na ráitis airgeadais saor ó mhíríteas eolais trí chalois nó neamhrialtacht nó earráid eile. Is mé ag teacht de mo bharúil dhéan mé meastachán chomh maith ar acmhainneacht fhoriomlán an chur i láthair eolais atá sna ráitis airgeadais.

Barúil

De réir mo bharúil féin, choimeád an tÚdarás leabhair chúí cuntais agus tugann na ráitis airgeadais, atá ag aontú leo, léirmheas fírinneach agus cóir maidir le cúrsaí san Údarás um Ardoideachas ar an 31ú Nollaig agus ar a ioncam agus caiteachas agus sreabhadh airgid thirim don bhliain a chríochnaigh ansin.

John Purcell

Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste

29 Meán Fómhair 2004

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Statement of Responsibilities of an tÚdarás

Paragraph 20 (1) of the Schedule to the Higher Education Authority Act 1971 requires An tÚdarás to prepare financial statements in such form as may be approved by the Minister for Education & Science after consultation with the Minister for Finance.

In preparing those financial statements, An tÚdarás is required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that An tÚdarás will continue in operation.
- Disclose and explain any material departures from applicable accounting standards

An tÚdarás is responsible for keeping proper books of account which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position and which enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with paragraph 20 (1) of the Schedule to the Act. An tÚdarás is also responsible for safeguarding its assets and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Chairman: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 3.9.04

Cuntais 2003

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Ráiteas ar Fhreagrachtaí An Údaráis

Éilíonn alt 20 (1) den Sceideal chuig Acht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas 1971 go n-ullmhódh an tÚdarás ráitis airgeadais i bhfoirm ina bhféadfadh an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta faomhadh a dhéanamh air tar éis dó dul i gcomhairle leis an Aire Airgeadais.

Is an tÚdarás ag ullmhú na ráiteas airgeadais sin, caithfidh an tÚdarás na nithe seo a leanas a chomhlíonadh:

- Polasaithe cuí a roghnú agus a chur i bhfeidhm go seasta.
- Breithiúnais agus meastacháin a dhéanamh atá réasúnta agus ciallmhar;
- Ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar an mbonn gnóthais leantaigh ach amháin mura bhfuil sé cuí toimhdiú a dhéanamh go leanfaidh an tÚdarás ag feidhmiú.
- Aon imeachtaí substaintiúil os na caighdeáin cuntasóireachta a bhaineann leis a fhaisnéisiú agus a mhíniú.

Tá an tÚdarás freagrach as leabhair chuntais chuí a choimeád a dhéanann faisnéisiú le cruinneas réasúnta ag aon uair ar staid airgeadais a chinntíonn gur féidir leis a dhearbhu go bhfuil na ráitis airgeadais ag géilleadh d'alt 20 (1) den Sceideal don Acht. Tá an tÚdarás freagrach chomh maith as a shócmhainní a chosaint agus le céimeanna réasúnta a thógaint chun cosc agus brath a dhéanamh ar chalaouis agus ar chinéalacha eile neamhrialtachta.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 3.9.04

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Statement of Accounting Policies

An tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas was established on 15th May 1972 to perform functions assigned to it by Acht an Údaráis um Ard-Oideachas 1971. The format of its financial statements has been approved by the Minister for Education and Science with the concurrence of the Minister for Finance and comprises Income and Expenditure Accounts for Administration and General Expenses, Recurrent Grants, Capital Grants and Research Grants together with a Balance Sheet and a Cash Flow Statement.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the accruals method of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles under the modified historic cost convention.

2. Oireachtas Grants

Oireachtas Grants are accounted for on an accruals basis.

3. Fixed Assets

The fixed assets of the Authority comprising furniture and equipment and computers are stated in the financial statements at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation

Computers are depreciated at a rate of 33¹/₃% per annum straight line method. All other fixed assets are depreciated at a rate of 10% per annum straight line method.

4. Capital Funding

The assets of the Authority are financed out of administration grants. The Capital Reserve Account represents the amount of income allocated for capital purposes less the amount released to revenue over the life of the assets.

5. Grants to Universities, Colleges and Designated Institutions;

The expenditure under these headings represents the grants which had been allocated to Institutions in respect of the year. These grants are applied by institutions on the following basis:

(a) Recurrent Grants

In addition to meeting the running expenses of the Institution these grants may also be applied for certain other purposes, including the purchase of furniture, the replacement of equipment or the carrying out of minor capital projects.

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Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasóireachta

Bunaíodh an tÚdarás um Ardoideachais ar an 15ú Bealtaine 1972 chun na feidhmiúcháin a thug Acht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas 1971 do a fheidhmiú. Tá an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta tar éis faomhadh a dhéanamh ar fhormaid a ráitis airgeadais le comhthoilíú ón Aire Airgeadais agus tá seo comhdhéanta de Chuntais Ioncaim agus Caiteachais do riaracháin agus do Chostais Ghinearálta, Deontais Athfhillteacha, Deontais Caipitil agus Deontais Taighde in éineacht le Clár Comhardaithe agus Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid Thirim.

POLASAITHE CUNTASAÍOCHTA

1. Bonn Ullmhúcháin

Ullmhaítear na ráitis airgeadais faoin modh fabhruithe cuntasáíochta de réir na bprionsabal ginearálta inghlactha cuntasáíochta faoin gcoinbhinsiún costais stairiúil mionathraithe.

2. Deontais Oireachtais

Déantar cuntasáíocht ar Dheontais Oireachtais ar bhonn fabhruithe.

3. Sócmhainní Seasta

Tá Sócmhainní Seasta an Údaráis atá comhdhéanta de throscaín agus trealamh agus ríomhairí leagtha síos sna ráitis airgeadais ar chostas nó luacháil lúide dímheas carnach.

Dímheas

Déantar dímheas ar ríomhairí ag ráta de 33^{1/3}% sa bhliain ar mhodh na líne díreach. Déantar dímheas ar gach sócmhainn seasta eile ag ráta de 10% sa bhliain ar mhodh na líne díreach.

4. Cistíocht Caipitil

Déantar maoiniú ar shócmhainní an Údaráis ó dheontais riaracháin. Léiríonn an Cuntas Cúlchiste Caipitil an méid ioncaim leithdháilte do chúramaí caipitil lúide an méid a scaoileadh chuig ioncam i rith saolré na sócmhainní.

5. Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus Institiúidí Sainithe;

Léiríonn an caiteachas faoi na teidil seo na deontais a bhí sainithe d'Institiúidí maidir leis an mbliain áirithe. Úsáideann na hInstitiúidí na deontais seo ar na boinn seo a leanas:

(a) Deontais Athfhillteacha

Chomh maith le costais stiúrtha na hInstitiúide a shásamh is féidir na deontais seo a úsáid do chúramaí áirithe eile, ina measc troscán a cheannach, trealamh a athsholáthar nó do thograí mionchaipitil.

(b) Building Grants

In certain instances grants reported under this heading may be used to fund initial issues of library stock, equipment or furniture.

(c) Research Initiative Grants

These grants comprise

- Funding of Institutions under the Programme for Research in Third Level Institutions (PRTLII) for recurrent and capital purpose schemes.
- Payments under the Research Schemes of the Irish Research Council for Humanities and Social Science (IRCHSS) and the Irish Research Council for Science, Engineering and Technology (IRCSET)
- Payments under the North/South Programme for Collaborative Research
- Payments under the fund for Collaborative Research between MediaLab Europe and Irish Third Level Institutions
- Payments under the Transport Research Programme.
- Payments since 1 October 1999 on behalf of the Department of Education and Science under a post doctoral fellowship scheme.

6. SUPERANNUATION

A superannuation scheme under section 5(3) of the Higher Education Act 1980 has been approved. Deductions are credited to salaries and wages. Pension costs are charged against revenue as they arise and no provision is made for future superannuation liabilities.

7. Currency

The unit of currency in which the financial statements are denominated is the Euro.

Chairperson: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 3.9.04

Date: 3.9.04

(b) Deontais Tógála

I gcásanna áirithe is féidir deontais a fhógraítear faoin teideal seo a úsáid le cistíocht a dhéanamh ar stoc, trealamh nó troscáin tosaigh leabharlainne.

(c) Deontais Tionscnaimh Taighde

Cuimsíonn na deontais seo

- Cistíocht ar Institiúidí faoin gClár um Thaighde in Institiúidí Tríú Leibhéal (CTITL) do scéimeanna atréimhseacha agus críocha caipitiúla.
- Íocaíochtaí faoi Scéimeanna Taighde na Comhairle Taighde Éireannach do Dhaonnachtaí agus Eolaíocht Shóisialta (CTEDES) agus na Comhairle Taighde Éireannach d'Eolaíocht, Innealltóireacht agus Teicneolaíocht (CTEEIT)
- Íocaíochtaí faoin gClár Thuaidh/Theas do Chomhthaighde.
- Íocaíochtaí faoin gcistíocht do Chomhthaighde idir MediaLab Europe agus Institiúidí Tríú Leibhéal Éireannacha
- Íocaíochtaí faoin gClár Taighde Iompair.
- Íocaíochtaí ó 1 Deireadh Fómhair 1999 ar son an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta faoi scéim ánrachta iardhochtúireachta.

6. AOISLIÚNTAS

Tá faomhadh tugtha do scéim aoisliúntais faoi alt 5(3) den Acht um Ardoideachas, 1980. Déantar asbhaintí a chur chun sochair tuarastail agus pána. Cuirtear costais pinsin i gcoinne ioncam de réir mar a thagann siad chun cinn agus ní dhéantar aon soláthar do dhliteanais aoisliúntais sa todhchaí.

7. Airgeadra

Is é an t-aonad airgeadra a leagtar síos do ráitis airgeadais ná an Euro.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 3.9.04

Dáta: 3.9.04

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Income & Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2003

	Notes	2003 €	2002 €
INCOME			
Oireachtas Grants	1.	711,135,932	723,270,942
Chest	2.	39,697	61,041
Interest Earned	3.	<u>11,111</u>	<u>21,820</u>
		711,186,740	723,353,803
Less			
Amounts allocated for Capital Purposes	8.	<u>228,950</u>	<u>382,001</u>
		710,957,790	722,971,802
EXPENDITURE			
Recurrent Grants	4.	639,000,302	600,941,703
Capital Grants		12,588,592	50,789,184
Research Grants		53,227,130	66,367,336
Administration Overheads	5.	5,412,482	4,158,419
IRCHSS Overheads	6.	508,958	492,504
IRCSET Overheads	7.	<u>607,169</u>	<u>485,880</u>
		<u>711,344,633</u>	<u>723,235,026</u>
		(386,843)	(263,224)
Transfer from Capital Reserve Account	8.	<u>421,356</u>	<u>409,060</u>
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		<u>34,513</u>	<u>145,836</u>

The Statement of Accounting Policies, Cash Flow Statement, notes 1-23 and Schedules I - V form part of the Financial Statements.

All gains and losses are recognised in the Income and Expenditure Account.

Chairperson: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 3.9.04

Date: 3.9.04

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Cuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais don bhliain dar chríoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

	Nótaí	2003 €	2002 €
IONCAM			
Deontais Oireachtais	1.	711,135,932	723,270,942
Chest	2.	39,697	61,041
Ús Tuillte	3.	<u>11,111</u>	<u>21,820</u>
		711,186,740	723,353,803
Lúide			
Méideanna dáilte do Chríocha Caipitiúla	8.	<u>228,950</u>	<u>382,001</u>
		710,957,790	722,971,802
CAITEACHAS			
Deontais Athfhillteacha	4.	639,000,302	600,941,703
Deontais Caipitil		12,588,592	50,789,184
Deontais Taighde		53,227,130	66,367,336
Forchostais Riaracháin	5.	5,412,482	4,158,419
Forchostais CTEDES	6.	508,958	492,504
Forchostais CTEEIT	7.	<u>607,169</u>	<u>485,880</u>
		<u>711,344,633</u>	<u>723,235,026</u>
		(386,843)	(263,224)
Aistriú ó Chúntas Cúlchiste Caipitil	8.	<u>421,356</u>	<u>409,060</u>
Barrachas Glan / (Easnamh) don bhliain		<u>34,513</u>	<u>145,836</u>

Tá an Ráiteas de Pholasaithe Cuntasaíochta, Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid, nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil I – V ina gcuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais.

Aithnítear gach gnóthachan agus cailteanas sa Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 3.9.04

Dáta: 3.9.04

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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2003

	Notes	2003 €	2002 €
Fixed Assets	9.	1,352,039	1,544,445
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and Prepayments	10.	618,105	592,043
Bank and Cash Balances		<u>13,478,866</u>	<u>22,823,775</u>
		<u>14,096,971</u>	<u>23,415,818</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors and Accrued Expenditure	11.	<u>13,441,067</u>	<u>22,794,427</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>655,904</u>	<u>621,391</u>
Net Assets		<u>2,007,943</u>	<u>2,165,836</u>
Represented By:			
Capital Reserve	8.	1,352,039	1,544,445
General Reserve	12.	<u>655,904</u>	<u>621,391</u>
		<u>2,007,943</u>	<u>2,165,836</u>

The statement of Accounting Policies, Cash Flow Statement and notes 1-23 and Schedules

I - V form part of the Financial Statements.

Chairperson: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 3.9.04

Date: 3.9.04

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Clár Comhardaithe mar a bhí ar an 31ú Nollaig 2003

	Nótaí	2003 €	2002 €
Sócmhainní Seasta	9.	1,352,039	1,544,445
SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA			
Féichiúnaithe agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	10.	618,105	592,043
Iarmhéideanna Bainc agus Airgid		<u>13,478,866</u>	<u>22,823,775</u>
		<u>14,096,971</u>	<u>23,415,818</u>
DLITEANAIS REATHA			
Creidiúnaithe agus Caitheachas Fabhráithe	11.	<u>13,441,067</u>	<u>22,794,427</u>
Glansócmhainní Reatha		<u>655,904</u>	<u>621,391</u>
Glansócmhainní		<u>2,007,943</u>	<u>2,165,836</u>
Léirithe ag:			
Cúlchiste Caipitil	8.	1,352,039	1,544,445
Cúlchiste Ginearálta	12.	<u>655,904</u>	<u>621,391</u>
		<u>2,007,943</u>	<u>2,165,836</u>

Tá an ráiteas de Pholasaithe Cuntasaíochta, Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid agus nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil

I – V ina gcuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 3.9.04

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Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2003

Reconciliation of Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for the year to Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities

	2003	2002
	€	€
Surplus/(Deficit) on Income and Expenditure Accounts		
- Administration and General Expenses	(97,948)	59,789
- Recurrent Grants	(18,335)	29,232
- Capital Grants	(281)	(808)
- Research Initiative	50,266	3,794
- IRCHSS Administration	78,764	(6,348)
- IRCSET Administration	<u>22,047</u>	<u>60,177</u>
	34,513	145,836
Adjustment for Non Operating Items		
Interest Received	(11,111)	(21,820)
Allocation to Fund Capital Items	<u>228,950</u>	<u>382,001</u>
	252,352	506,017
Adjustment for Non-Cash Items		
Depreciation	421,356	409,060
Transfer from Capital Reserve Account	(421,356)	(409,060)
Movement in Debtors	(26,062)	(342,939)
Movement in Creditors	<u>(9,353,360)</u>	<u>(425,181)</u>
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities	<u>(9,127,070)</u>	<u>(262,103)</u>

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Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid don bhliain dar críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Imréiteach de Bharrachas/(Easnamh) Oibriúcháin don bhliain go hInsreabhadh Airgid Glan/(Eis-sreabhadh) ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin

	2003	2002
	€	€
Barrachas/ (Easnamh) ar Chuntais Ioncaim agus Caiteachais		
- Riarachán agus Costais Ghinearálta	(97,948)	59,789
- Deontais Athfhillteacha	(18,335)	29,232
- Deontais Caipitil	(281)	(808)
- Tionscnamh Taighde	50,266	3,794
- Riarachán CTEDES	78,764	(6,348)
- Riarachán CTEEIT	<u>22,047</u>	<u>60,177</u>
	34,513	145,836
Coigeartú do Mhíreanna Neamh Fheidhmiúla		
Ús Faighte	(11,111)	(21,820)
Leithdháileadh chun Míreanna Caipitil a Chistiú	<u>228,950</u>	<u>382,001</u>
	252,352	506,017
Coigeartú do Mhíreanna Neamhairgid		
Dímheas	421,356	409,060
Aistriú ó Chúntas Cúlchiste Caipitil	(421,356)	(409,060)
Gluaiseacht i bhFéichiúnaithe	(26,062)	(342,939)
Gluaiseacht i gCreidiúnaithe	<u>(9,353,360)</u>	<u>(425,181)</u>
Insreabhadh Airgid Glan /(Eis-sreabhadh) ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin	<u>(9,127,070)</u>	<u>(262,103)</u>

Cash Flow Statement

	2003	2002
	€	€
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow)from Operating Activities	(9,127,070)	(262,103)
Finance Servicing		
Interest Received	11,111	21,820
Investing Activities		
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	<u>(228,950)</u>	<u>(382,001)</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	<u>(9,344,909)</u>	<u>(622,284)</u>
Reconciliation of Net Cash Flow to Movement in Net Funds		
Cash at 1 January	<u>(622,284)</u>	23,446,059
Cash at 31 December	<u>13,478,866</u>	<u>22,823,775</u>
Change in Net Funds	<u>(9,344,909)</u>	<u>(622,284)</u>

The Statement of Accounting Policies and notes 1-23 and Schedules I – V form part of the financial statements.

Chairperson: Don Thornhill

Secretary: John Hayden

Date: 3.9.04

Date: 3.9.04

Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid

	2003	2002
	€	€
Insreabhadh Airgid Glan/(Eis-sreafa) ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin	(9,127,070)	(262,103)
Seirbhísíú Airgeadais		
Ús Faighte	11,111	21,820
Gníomhaíochtaí Infheistíochta		
Íocaíochtaí chun sócmhainní seasta inláimhsithe a fháil mar éadail	<u>(228,950)</u>	<u>(382,001)</u>
Glan Mhéadú/(Laghdú) in Airgead	<u>(9,344,909)</u>	<u>(622,284)</u>
Imréiteach ar Shreabhadh Glan Airgid Thirim go Gluaiseacht i nGlan Chistí		
Airgead ar 1ú Eanáir	<u>(622,284)</u>	<u>23,446,059</u>
Airgead ar 31ú Nollaig	<u>13,478,866</u>	<u>22,823,775</u>
Athrú i nGlan Chistí	<u>(9,344,909)</u>	<u>(622,284)</u>

Tá an Ráiteas de Pholasaithe Cuntasaíochta agus nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil I – V ina gcuid de na ráitis airgeadais.

Cathaoirleach: Don Thornhill

Rúnaí: John Hayden

Dáta: 3.9.04

Dáta: 3.9.04

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Year Ended 31st December 2003

Notes to the Financial Statements

	2003 €	2002 €
1. Oireachtas Grants		
Recurrent Grants	638,939,039	600,899,013
Capital	12,587,705	50,790,016
Research Grants	53,271,847	66,361,772
Administration Grants	5,136,441	4,068,333
RCHSS Grants	580,900	476,808
IRCSET Grants	<u>620,000</u>	<u>675,000</u>
	<u>711,135,932</u>	<u>723,270,942</u>
2. Chest Receipts	<u>39,697</u>	<u>61,041</u>
3. Interest Earned		
Recurrent	3,231	10,881
Capital	606	(1,640)
Research	5,549	9,359
Administration	<u>1,725</u>	<u>3,220</u>
Total	<u>11,111</u>	<u>21,820</u>
4. Recurrent Grant Payments		
Grants to Universities and designated institutions	634,844,712	600,899,213
Access Office Grants	3,828,704	0
Chest Payments	<u>326,886</u>	<u>42,490</u>
	<u>639,000,302</u>	<u>600,941,703</u>

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An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Nótaí ar na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2003 €	2002 €
1. Deontais Oireachtais		
Deontais Athfhillteacha	638,939,039	600,899,013
Caipiteal	12,587,705	50,790,016
Deontais Taighde	53,271,847	66,361,772
Deontais Riaracháin	5,136,441	4,068,333
Deontais CTDES	580,900	476,808
Deontais CTEEIT	<u>620,000</u>	<u>675,000</u>
	<u>711,135,932</u>	<u>723,270,942</u>
2. Fáiltais Chest	<u>39,697</u>	<u>61,041</u>
3. Ús Tuillte		
Athfhillteach	3,231	10,881
Caipiteal	606	(1,640)
Taighde	5,549	9,359
Riarachán	<u>1,725</u>	<u>3,220</u>
Iomlán	<u>11,111</u>	<u>21,820</u>
4. Íocaíochtaí Athfhillteacha Deontais		
Deontais chuig Ollscoileanna agus institiúidí sainithe	634,844,712	600,899,213
Deontais Rochtana Oifige	3,828,704	0
Íocaíochtaí Chest	<u>326,886</u>	<u>42,490</u>
	<u>639,000,302</u>	<u>600,941,703</u>

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Year Ended 31st December 2003

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

	2003 €	2002 €
5. ADMINISTRATION OVERHEADS		
STAFF COSTS		
Salaries and Wages	1,923,575	1,564,524
Superannuation	44,365	62,931
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	132,268	80,096
Foreign	91,324	58,438
Salary Recoupment	<u>286,865</u>	<u>260,082</u>
	<u>2,478,397</u>	<u>2,026,071</u>
Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Light and Heating	16,742	21,710
Maintenance	137,737	130,286
Rent and Insurance	771,513	652,938
Depreciation	<u>314,780</u>	<u>331,272</u>
	<u>1,240,772</u>	<u>1,136,206</u>
General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	161,381	195,416
Postage and Telephone	62,053	52,040
Accountancy Fees	0	2,000
Bank Charges	1,271	1,936
Information Technology	82,980	31,135
Staff Development	16,389	11,877
Audit Fees	10,250	9,984
Miscellaneous	<u>2,627</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>336,951</u>	<u>304,388</u>
Education Research and Development		
Publications	165,616	101,704
Seminars	25,798	27,868
Research and Survey Fees	1,031,154	433,985
Grants to Universities, Colleges and designated Institutions towards the Expenses of Careers and Appointments Services	<u>33,281</u>	<u>23,563</u>
	<u>1,255,849</u>	<u>587,120</u>
Members fees	100,513	104,634
Total	5,412,482	4,158,419

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An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Ag leanúint le Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2003 €	2002 €
5. FORCHOSTAIS RIARACHÁIN		
COSTAIS FOIRNE		
Tuarastail agus Pánna	1,923,575	1,564,524
Aoisliúntas	44,365	62,931
Costais Taistil agus Cothaithe:		
Ag Baile	132,268	80,096
Eachtrach	91,324	58,438
Aisghabháil Tuarastail	<u>286,865</u>	<u>260,082</u>
	<u>2,478,397</u>	<u>2,026,071</u>
Áitribh - Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Soilsiú agus Téamh	16,742	21,710
Cothabháil	137,737	130,286
Cíos agus Árachas	771,513	652,938
Dímheas	<u>314,780</u>	<u>331,272</u>
	<u>1,240,772</u>	<u>1,136,206</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	161,381	195,416
Postas agus Teileafón	62,053	52,040
Táillí Cuntasóireachta	0	2,000
Táillí Bainc	1,271	1,936
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	82,980	31,135
Forbairt Foirne	16,389	11,877
Táillí Iniúchta	10,250	9,984
Ilnithe	<u>2,627</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>336,951</u>	<u>304,388</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	165,616	101,704
Seimineáir	25,798	27,868
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhéireachta	1,031,154	433,985
Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus Institiúidí sainithe i dtreo Costais		
Seirbhísí Gairme agus Ceapacháin	<u>33,281</u>	<u>23,563</u>
	<u>1,255,849</u>	<u>587,120</u>
Táillí na mBall	100,513	104,634
Iomlán	5,412,482	4,158,419

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Notes to the Financial Statements continued

	2003 €	2002 €
6. IRCHSS OVERHEADS		
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	168,996	164,326
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	12,857	25,152
Foreign	<u>18,919</u>	<u>11,378</u>
	<u>200,772</u>	<u>200,856</u>
Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Depreciation	11,762	11,506
Rent and Insurance	35,224	35,223
Maintenance	<u>3,363</u>	<u>3,364</u>
	<u>50,349</u>	<u>50,093</u>
General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	9,986	60,628
Bank Charges	252	262
Information Technology	4,331	13,240
Postage and Telephone	3,428	19,091
Staff Development	124	0
Accountancy Fees	<u>1,200</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>19,321</u>	<u>93,221</u>
Education Research and Development		
Publications	6,165	4,668
Research and Survey Fees	32,046	93,995
ESF Membership and Networks	25,568	13,356
Seminars	10,770	5,793
Assessors Expenses	131,117	30,522
Council Members' Expenses	<u>32,850</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>238,516</u>	<u>148,334</u>
Total	<u>508,958</u>	<u>492,504</u>

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An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Ag leanúint le Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2003 €	2002 €
6. FORCHOSTAIS CTEDES		
Costais Foirne		
Tuarastail agus Pánna	168,996	164,326
Costais Taistil agus Cothaithe:		
Ag Baile	12,857	25,152
Eachtrach	<u>18,919</u>	<u>11,378</u>
	<u>200,772</u>	<u>200,856</u>
Áitribh - Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Dímheas	11,762	11,506
Cíos agus Árachas	35,224	35,223
Cothabháil	<u>3,363</u>	<u>3,364</u>
	<u>50,349</u>	<u>50,093</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	9,986	60,628
Táillí Bainc	252	262
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	4,331	13,240
Postas agus Teileafón	3,428	19,091
Forbairt Foirne	124	0
Táillí Cuntasóireachta	<u>1,200</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>19,321</u>	<u>93,221</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	6,165	4,668
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhéireachta	32,046	93,995
Ballraíocht agus Greasáin CSE	25,568	13,356
Seimineáir	10,770	5,793
Costais Measúnóirí	131,117	30,522
Costais na mBall Comhairle	<u>32,850</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>238,516</u>	<u>148,334</u>
Iomlán	<u>508,958</u>	<u>492,504</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements continued

	2003 €	2002 €
7. IRCSET OVERHEADS		
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	168,259	137,386
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	6,659	13,676
Foreign	<u>5,733</u>	<u>3,865</u>
	<u>180,651</u>	<u>154,927</u>
Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Depreciation	94,814	66,282
Rent and Insurance	35,224	35,223
Maintenance	<u>3,363</u>	<u>3,364</u>
	<u>133,401</u>	<u>104,869</u>
General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	4,231	14,266
Bank Charges	30	9
Information Technology	17,286	14,463
Postage and Telephone	4,176	3,704
Staff Development	0	374
Accountancy Fees	<u>1,235</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>26,958</u>	<u>32,816</u>
Educational Research and Development		
Publications	10,670	0
Research and Survey Fees	147,067	187,952
ESF Membership and Networks	13,600	1,238
Assessors Expenses	28,884	4,078
Quality Initiatives	<u>65,938</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>266,159</u>	<u>193,268</u>
Total	<u>607,169</u>	<u>485,880</u>

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An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Ag leanúint le Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2003 €	2002 €
7. FORCHOSTAIS CTEEIT		
Costais Foirne		
Tuarastail agus Pánna	168,259	137,386
Costais Taistil agus Cothaithe:		
Ag Baile	6,659	13,676
Eachtrach	<u>5,733</u>	<u>3,865</u>
	<u>180,651</u>	<u>154,927</u>
Áitribh - Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Dímheas	94,814	66,282
Cíos agus Árachas	35,224	35,223
Cothabháil	<u>3,363</u>	<u>3,364</u>
	<u>133,401</u>	<u>104,869</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	4,231	14,266
Táillí Bainc	30	9
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	17,286	14,463
Postas agus Teileafón	4,176	3,704
Forbairt Foirne	0	374
Táillí Cuntasóireachta	<u>1,235</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>26,958</u>	<u>32,816</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	10,670	0
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhéireachta	147,067	187,952
Ballraíocht agus Greasáin CSE	13,600	1,238
Costais Mheasúnóirí	28,884	4,078
Tionscnaimh Cháilíochta	<u>65,938</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>266,159</u>	<u>193,268</u>
Iomlán	<u>607,169</u>	<u>485,880</u>

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Year Ended 31st December 2003

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

	2003 €	2002 €
8. Capital Reserve		
Balance at 1 January	1,544,445	1,571,504
Grants Capitalised		
IRCHSS/IRCSET Grant	90,538	197,384
Oireachtas Grant	<u>138,412</u>	<u>184,617</u>
	<u>228,950</u>	<u>382,001</u>
Less Released to Income		
IRCHSS/IRCSET Grant	(106,576)	(77,788)
Oireachtas Grant	<u>(314,780)</u>	<u>(331,272)</u>
	(421,356)	(409,060)
Balance at 31 December	<u>1,352,039</u>	<u>1,544,445</u>

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An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Ag leanúint le Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2003 €	2002 €
8. Cúlchiste Caipitil		
Iarmhéid ar an 1ú Eanáir	1,544,445	1,571,504
Deontais Caipitlithe		
Deontas CTEDES/CTEEIT	90,538	197,384
Deontas Oireachtais	<u>138,412</u>	<u>184,617</u>
	<u>228,950</u>	<u>382,001</u>
Lúide Scaoilte chuig Ioncam		
Deontas CTEDES/CTEEIT	(106,576)	(77,788)
Deontas Oireachtais	<u>(314,780)</u>	<u>(331,272)</u>
	(421,356)	(409,060)
Iarmhéid ag 31ú Nollaig	<u>1,352,039</u>	<u>1,544,445</u>

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Year Ended 31st December 2003

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

	Furniture & Equipment €	Computer Equipment €	2003 Total €	2002 Total €
9. FIXED ASSETS				
Cost				
Cost or Valuation at 1 January 2003	1,826,972	852,451	2,679,423	2,297,422
Additions during the year	15,368	123,044	138,412	184,617
Disposals during the year	0	(28,036)	(28,036)	0
IRCHSS/IRCSET Additions	<u>0</u>	<u>90,538</u>	<u>90,538</u>	<u>197,384</u>
	<u>1,842,340</u>	<u>1,037,997</u>	<u>2,880,337</u>	<u>2,679,423</u>
Depreciation				
Balance at 1 January 2003	560,809	574,169	1,134,978	725,918
Charge for the year	181,611	133,169	314,780	331,272
Less Depreciation on Disposals	0	(28,036)	(28,036)	0
IRCHSS/IRCSET Depreciation	<u>910</u>	<u>105,666</u>	<u>106,576</u>	<u>77,788</u>
	<u>743,330</u>	<u>784,968</u>	<u>1,528,298</u>	<u>1,134,978</u>
 Net Book Value at 31 December 2003	 1,099,010	 253,029	 1,352,039	 1,544,445
 Net Book Value at 31 December 2002	 1,266,163	 278,282	 1,544,445	 1,571,504

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An Bhliain dar Críoch ar an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Ag leanúint le Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	Troscán & Trealaimh €	Trealaimh Ríomhaire €	Iomlán 2003 €	Iomlán 2002 €
9. SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA				
Costas				
Costas nó Luacháil ar 1ú Eanáir	1,826,972	852,451	2,679,423	2,297,422
Breiseanna i gcaitheamh na bliana	15,368	123,044	138,412	184,617
Diúscairtí i gcaitheamh na bliana	0	(28,036)	(28,036)	0
Breiseanna CTEDES/CTEEIT	<u>0</u>	<u>90,538</u>	<u>90,538</u>	<u>197,384</u>
	<u>1,842,340</u>	<u>1,037,997</u>	<u>2,880,337</u>	<u>2,679,423</u>
Dímheas				
Iarmhéid ar an 1ú Eanáir 2003	560,809	574,169	1,134,978	725,918
Táille don bhliain	181,611	133,169	314,780	331,272
Lúide Dímheas ar Dhiúscairtí	0	(28,036)	(28,036)	0
Dímheas CTEDES/CTEEIT	<u>910</u>	<u>105,666</u>	<u>106,576</u>	<u>77,788</u>
	<u>743,330</u>	<u>784,968</u>	<u>1,528,298</u>	<u>1,134,978</u>
Glanluach Leabhar ar an 31ú Nollaig 2003	1,099,010	253,029	1,352,039	1,544,445
Glanluach Leabhar ag an 31ú Nollaig 2002	1,266,163	278,282	1,544,445	1,571,504

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	2003	2002
	€	€
10. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS		
HEA Prepayments	510,876	487,539
IRCHSS Prepayments	37,868	30,904
IRCSET Prepayments	<u>69,361</u>	<u>73,600</u>
	<u>618,105</u>	<u>592,043</u>
11. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS		
Socrates/Erasmus	94,884	94,884
Accruals		
- General	1,206,582	771,669
- Recurrent	71,724	5,808,919
- Capital	0	725,127
- Research	8,239,173	15,393,828
- Access	<u>3,828,704</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>13,441,067</u>	<u>22,794,427</u>

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	2003	2002
	€	€
10. FÉICHIÚNAITHE AGUS RÉAMHÍOCAÍOCHTAÍ		
Réamhíocaíochtaí ÚAO	510,876	487,539
Réamhíocaíochtaí CTEDES	37,868	30,904
Réamhíocaíochtaí CTEEIT	<u>69,361</u>	<u>73,600</u>
	<u>618,105</u>	<u>592,043</u>
11. CREIDIÚNAITHE AGUS FABHRUITHE		
Socrates/Erasmus	94,884	94,884
Fabhruithe		
- Ginearálta	1,206,582	771,669
- Athfhillteach	71,724	5,808,919
- Caipitil	0	725,127
- Taighde	8,239,173	15,393,828
- Rochtain	<u>3,828,704</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>13,441,067</u>	<u>22,794,427</u>

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	2003	2002
	€	€
12. GENERAL RESERVE		
Balance 1 January		
Administration and General Expenses account	113,173	53,384
Recurrent Grants Account	308,803	279,571
Capital Grants Account	50,260	51,068
Research Initiative Account	51,532	47,738
IRCHSS Account	39,740	46,088
IRCSET Account	<u>57,883</u>	<u>(2,294)</u>
	<u>621,391</u>	<u>475,555</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		
Administration and General Expenses	(97,948)	59,789
Recurrent Grants	(18,335)	29,232
Capital Grants	(281)	(808)
Research Initiative	50,266	3,794
IRCHSS	78,764	(6,348)
IRCSET	<u>22,047</u>	<u>60,177</u>
	<u>34,513</u>	<u>145,836</u>
Balance 31 December		
Administration and General Expenses Account	15,225	113,173
Recurrent Grants Account	290,468	308,803
Capital Grants Account	49,979	50,260
Research Initiative Account	101,798	51,532
IRCHSS Account	118,504	39,740
IRCSET Account	<u>79,930</u>	<u>57,883</u>
	<u>655,904</u>	<u>621,391</u>

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	2003	2002
	€	€
12. CÚLCHISTE GINEARÁLTA		
larmhéid ar an 1ú Eanáir		
Cuntas Riaracháin agus Costais Ghinearálta	113,173	53,384
Cuntas Deontas Athfhillteacha	308,803	279,571
Cuntas Deontas Caipitil	50,260	51,068
Cuntas Tionscnaimh Taighde	51,532	47,738
Cuntas CTEDES	39,740	46,088
Cuntas CTEEIT	<u>57,883</u>	<u>(2,294)</u>
	<u>621,391</u>	<u>475,555</u>
Barrachas/(Easnamh) don bhliain		
Riarachán agus Costais Ghinearálta	(97,948)	59,789
Deontais Athfhillteacha	(18,335)	29,232
Deontais Caipitil	(281)	(808)
Tionscnamh Taighde	50,266	3,794
CTEDES	78,764	(6,348)
CTEEIT	<u>22,047</u>	<u>60,177</u>
	<u>34,513</u>	<u>145,836</u>
larmhéid 31ú Nollaig		
Cuntas Riaracháin agus Costais Ghinearálta	15,225	113,173
Cuntas Deontais Athfhillteacha	290,468	308,803
Cuntas Deontais Caipitil	49,979	50,260
Cuntas Tionscnaimh Taighde	101,798	51,532
Cuntas CTEDES	118,504	39,740
Cuntas CTEEIT	<u>79,930</u>	<u>57,883</u>
	<u>655,904</u>	<u>621,391</u>

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13. OIREACTHAS GRANTS

The Oireachtas grants received by the Authority in 2003 and their classification by purpose were as follows:

Vote	Administration €	Recurrent €	Capital €	Research €
Third Level and Further Education	5,136,441	638,939,039	12,587,705	53,271,847

14. COMBINED HIGHER EDUCATION SOFTWARE TEAM (CHEST)

CHEST refers to a purchasing agreement operated by Irish Universities which enables individual colleges to benefit from the economies of bulk purchasing of computer software. The HEA collects subscriptions from each college and forwards such amounts to University of Limerick which has been contracted to undertake the running of CHEST. Payments to University of Limerick in the year are included in that College's Recurrent Grant.

15. SOCRATES PROGRAMME - EU

The HEA is the national agency in Ireland for the EU funded Socrates programme.

a) ERASMUS GRANTS SCHEME

This scheme provides grants for transnational student mobility with the member states of the EU, covering a period between three and twelve months. To be eligible a person must be a fully registered student pursuing a full time course in an approved third level institution.

Funding is received from the EU and paid out to the Universities and Colleges on an academic year basis. Allocations to Universities and Colleges for the 2002/2003 and 2003/2004 academic years were €1,516,699 and €1,625,965 respectively.

Unexpended amounts are refundable to the EU at the end of each academic year.

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13. DEONTAIS OIREACHTAIS

Is iad seo a leanas na deontais Oireachtais a fuair an tÚdarás i 2003 agus an rangú de réir a bhfeidhm:

Vóta	Riaracháin €	Athfhillteach €	Caipitil €	Thaighde €
Tríú Leibhéal agus Breisoideachas	5,136,441	638,939,039	12,587,705	53,271,847

14. COMHFHOIREANN BOGEARRAÍ ARDOIDEACHAIS (CHEST)

Is é atá i gceist le CHEST ná comhaontú ceannaigh atá á fheidhmiú ag Ollscoileanna Éireannacha a thugann seans do choláistí indibhidiúla tairbhe a bhaint as bhuntáistí bogearraí ríomhaireachta a cheannach ar an mórchóir. Bailíonn an ÚAO síntiús ó gach coláiste agus seolann ar aghaidh na suimeanna sin chuig Ollscoil Luimnigh atá ar conradh chun CHEST a stiúradh. Tá fócaíochtaí le hOllscoil Luimnigh sa bhliain cuimsithe i nDeontas Athfhillteach an Choláiste sin.

15. CLÁR SOCRATES – AE

Is é an tÚAO an áisíneacht náisiúnta in Éirinn do Chlár Socrates a chistíonn ag an AE.

a) SCÉIM DEONTAIS ERASMUS

Déanann an scéim seo deontais a sholáthar do shoghluaiseacht trasnáisiúnta mac léinn idir bhallstáit an AE, ag clúdach tréimhse ama idir trí agus dhá mhí dhéag. D'fhonn a bheith i dteideal seo caithfidh duine a bheith ina mhac léinn cláraithe i mbun cúrsa lánaimseartha in institiúid faofa tríú leibhéal.

Faightear cistíocht ón AE agus íoctar leis na hOllscoileanna agus leis na Coláistí é ar bhonn bliana acadúla. Is iad seo a leanas na leithdháiltí a déanadh d'Ollscoileanna agus do Choláistí dos na blianta acadúla 2002/2003 agus 2003/2004, €1,516,699 agus €1,625,965 faoi seach.

Aisíoctar méideanna gan chaitheamh leis an AE ag deireadh gach bliain acadúil.

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At 31 December 2003, an amount of €135,104 was refundable to the EU in respect of academic years up to 2002/2003. For the academic year 2003/2004 the amount, if any, refundable to the EU will be established on finalisation of all claims.

	2003	2002
	€	€
Balance 1 January	338,553	244,890
INCOME		
Grant	1,898,302	1,609,386
Bank Interest	<u>282</u>	<u>1,128</u>
	<u>2,237,137</u>	<u>1,855,404</u>
LESS		
EXPENDITURE		
Grants to Universities, Colleges and designated institutions (See Schedule V)	1,625,965	1,516,699
Bank Charges	0	152
Refund to EU	<u>86,530</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1,712,495</u>	<u>1,516,851</u>
Balance 31 December	<u>524,642</u>	<u>338,553</u>

b) PROMOTION OF ERASMUS GRANTS SCHEME

A once-off programme funding of €109,616 was received from the EU in 1996 to run an information programme on the Erasmus grants scheme. The balance of €94,884 is treated as deferred income and included in Creditors and may be refundable in whole or in part to the EU.

16. ORTELIUS DATABASE

The Higher Education Authority has been designated as the Irish partner for the development of a database of higher education courses available in Irish Universities and Colleges, which will be included in an overall database being developed on higher education at a European level.

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Ar an 31ú Nollaig 2003, bhí méid de €135,104 inaisíochta leis an AE i leith na mblianta acadúla suas go dtí 2002/2003. Don bhliain acadúil 2003/2004 beidh an méid, má tá aon mhéid ann, a bheidh le h-aisíoc leis an AE bunaithe ar chríochnú gach éilimh.

	2003 €	2002 €
Iarmhéid ar an 1ú Eanáir	338,553	244,890
IONCAM		
Deontas	1,898,302	1,609,386
Ús Bainc	<u>282</u>	<u>1,128</u>
	<u>2,237,137</u>	<u>1,855,404</u>
LÚIDE		
CAITEACHAS		
Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus d'institiúidí sainithe (Féach Sceideal V)	1,625,965	1,516,699
Táillí Bainc	0	152
Aisíoc leis an	<u>86,530</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1,712,495</u>	<u>1,516,851</u>
Iarmhéid ag 31ú Nollaig	<u>524,642</u>	<u>338,553</u>

b) CUR CHUN CINN SCÉIM DEONTAIS ERASMUS

Fuarthas clár cistíochta aon uaire de 109,616 ón AE i 1996 chun clár eolais a reachtáil maidir leis an scéim deontais Erasmus. Déiláiltear leis an iarmhéid de €94,884 mar ioncam iarchurtha agus tá sé cuimsithe i gCreidiúnaithe agus is féidir é a bheith inaisíochta go hiomlán nó ina chuid leis an AE.

16. BUNACHAR SONRAÍ ORTELIUS

Sainíodh an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas ina pháirtnéir Éireannach chun bunachar sonraí de chúrsaí atá ar fáil in Ollscoileanna agus i gColáistí na hÉireann a fhorbairt, agus a chuimseofar i mbunachar sonraí foriomlán ar ardoideachas atá á fhorbairt ar leibhéal Eorpach.

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17. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The amount of capital commitments under contract and approved by the Authority at 31 December, 2003 amounted to €44,300,379 (2002- €71,649,980). Commitments not under contract but approved by the Authority are estimated at €269,799,958 at 31 December, 2003 (2002- €277,637,714).

18. TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE

The travel and subsistence expenses of members of the Authority are included under the heading staff costs.

19. OPERATING LEASE

Premises at Marine House are held under a 25 year tenancy agreement from March 1997 at an annual cost of €233,637 with a five year review. The rent was reviewed in 2002. Premises at Brooklawn are held under two separate tenancy agreements.

The first floor is held under a 25 year agreement from May 2001 with a 5 year review at an annual cost of €520,593

The ground floor is held under a 25 year agreement from November 2001 with a 5 year review at an annual cost of €322,513. This floor is totally sublet to HEAnet Limited.

20. HEAnet Ltd

This company was incorporated on 12 November, 1997. The company is limited by guarantee and the Higher Education Authority is an ordinary member of the company. The company provides internet services to subscriber higher educational and research Institutions. There was an accumulated surplus of €1,161,475 on the company's activities as at 31 December 2003.

21. POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

The total expenditure on this scheme in the year was €1,231,131, which was paid out of the Research Initiatives Account.

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17. TIOMANTAIS CHAIPITIL

B'é an méid de thiomantais chaipitil a bhí faoi chonradh agus faofa ag an Údarás ar an 31 Nollaig, 2003 ná €44,300,379 (2002- €71,649,980). Is é an meastachán do thiomantais nach bhfuil faoi chonradh ach atá faofa ag an Údarás ná €269,799,958 ar an 31ú Nollaig, 2003 (2002- €277,637,714).

18. TAISTEAL AGUS COTHÚ

Tá costais taistil agus cothaithe na mball Údaráis cuimsithe faoin teideal costais foirne.

19. LÉAS OIBRITHE

Tá áitribh ag Marine House faoi chomhaontú tionóntachta 25 bliain ó Mhárta 1997 ag costas bliantúil de €233,637 le hathbhreithniú cúig bliana. Déanadh athbhreithniú ar an gcíos i 2002. Tá áitribh ag Brooklawn faoi dhá chomhaontú ar leith tionóntachta.

Tá an chéad urlár faoi chomhaontú 25 bliana ó Bhealtaine 2001 le hathbhreithniú 5 bliana ar chostas bliantúil de €520,593

Tá urlár na talún faoi chomhaontú 25 bliana ó Mhí na Samhana 2001 le hathbhreithniú 5 bliana ar costas bliantúil de €322,513. Tá an t-urlár seo foligithe le HEAnet Limited.

20. HEAnet Ltd

Déanadh an comhlacht seo a chorprú ar an 12ú Mí na Samhna, 1997. Tá an comhlacht faoi theorainn ráthaíochta agus tá an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas ina ghnáthbhall den comhlacht. Déanann an comhlacht seirbhísí idirlín a sholáthar d'institiúidí síntúsóireachta ardoideachais agus taighde. Bhí barrachas charnach de €1,161,475 ar ghníomhaíochtaí na cuideachta ar an 31ú Nollaig 2003.

21. SCÉIM ÁNRACHTA IARDHOCHTÚIREACHTA

Ba é an caitheachas iomlán ar an scéim seo sa bhliain ná €1,231,131, a íocadh as an gCuntas Tionscnaimh Taighde.

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22. SUPERANNUATION

Pensions note for the Higher Education Authority (HEA) Accounts for year ended 31/12/2003.

FRS17 Retirement Benefits

Company Accounts – Pension Disclosures under FRS17

Higher Education Authority Superannuation Scheme

Balance sheet

Presentation

	At year-end 31/12/2003 €000s	At year-end 31/12/2002 €000s
Net assets excluding pension asset	-	-
Net Pension asset	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>
Net assets including pension asset	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>

Reserves note

	At year-end 31/12/2003 €000s	At year-end 31/12/2002 €000s
Profit and loss reserve excluding pension asset	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>
Profit and loss reserve	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>
Pension reserve		
Profit and loss reserve		

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22. AOISLIÚNTAS

Nóta pinsin do chuntais an Údaráis um Ardoideachas (ÚAO) don bhliain dar críoch an 31/12/2003.

FRS17 Sochair Scoir

Cuntais Chuideachta - Nochtaithe Pinsin faoi FRS17

Scéim Aoisliúntais an Údaráis um Ardoideachas

Cur i láthair an

Chláir Chomhardaithe

	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2003 €000s	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2002 €000s
Glansócmhainní gan sócmhainn phinsin san áireamh	-	-
Glansócmhainn Phinsin	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>
Glansócmhainní ag cuimsiú sócmhainn phinsin	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>

Nóta Cúlchiste

	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2003 €000s	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2002 €000s
Cúlchiste brabúis agus caillteanais gan glansócmhainn phinsin	-	-
glansócmhainn phinsin	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>
Cúlchiste brabúis agus caillteanais	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>
Cúlchiste Pinsin		
Cúlchiste brabúis agus caillteanais		

Pension Cost Note

Composition of the scheme

The Higher Education Authority (HEA) operates an unfunded defined benefit pension scheme.

An actuarial valuation was carried out as at 31st December 2003 by a qualified independent actuary to take account of the requirements of FRS17. As an unfunded scheme there is no actual fund of assets backing the accrued liabilities. In accordance with the transitional arrangements for the introduction of FRS17 the following information is given by way of note only.

	At year-end 31/12/2003	At year-end 31/12/2002
Rate of increase in salaries	4.00%	4.00%
Rate of increase of pensions in payment	3.50%	3.50%
Discount rate	5.25%	5.50%
Inflation assumption	2.25%	2.25%
	€000's	€000's
Actuarial value of liability	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>
Recoverable surplus/(deficit) in scheme	(5,121)	(4,508)
Related deferred tax asset/(liability)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net pension asset/(liability)	(5,121)	(4,508)

The following shows the effect on the financial statements had the provisions of FRS17 been implemented in full:

Analysis of the amount which would be charged to operating profit	Year to 31/12/2003 €000's	Year to 31/12/2002 €000's
Service cost (net of employee contributions)	140	95
Past service cost	-	-
(Gains)/Losses on Settlements and Curtailments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total operating charge	140	95

Nóta ar Chostas Pinsin

Comhdhéanamh na scéime

Tá scéim phinsin sochair sainithe neamhchistithe á feidhmiú ag an Údarás um Ardoideachas (ÚAO).

Dhéan achtúire cáilithe neamhspleách luacháil achtúireach ar an 31ú Nollaig chun riachtanais an FRS17 a chuimsiú. Toisc gur scéim neamhchistithe atá ann níl aon chiste sócmhainní ag tacú na ndliteanas fabhráithe. Ag teach leis na socruithe idirthréimhseacha chun an FRS17 a chur i láthair tugtar an t-eolas seo a leanas trí nóta amháin.

	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2003	Ag deireadh bliana 31/12/2002
Ráta an mhéadaithe i dtuarastail	4.00%	4.00%
Ráta an mhéadaithe i bpinsin atá á n-íoc	3.50%	3.50%
Ráta lascaine	5.25%	5.50%
Bonn tuisceana boilscithe	2.25%	2.25%
	€000's	€000's
Luach achtúireach an dliteanais	<u>(5,121)</u>	<u>(4,508)</u>
Barrachas/(easnamh) in-aisghabhála sa scéim	(5,121)	(4,508)
larchur gaolmhar sócmhainn /(dliteanas) cánach	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Glan sócmhainn /(dliteanas) phinsin	(5,121)	(4,508)

Taispeántear thíos an éifeacht a bheadh ar na ráitis airgeadais dá mbeadh soláthairtí FRS17 curtha i bhfeidhm go hiomlán:

Anailís den mhúirear a chuirfí leis an mbrabús oibriúcháin	Bliain ar Bhliain 31/12/2003 €000's	Bliain ar Bhliain 31/12/2002 €000's
Costas seirbhíse (glan-ranníocaíochtaí na bhfostaithe)	140	95
Costas seanseirbhíse	-	-
(Gnóthachain)/Cailiteanais ar Shocraíochtaí agus ar Chiorrúcháin	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Múirear iomlán oibriúcháin	140	95

Analysis of net return on pension scheme which would be included in operating profit

	Year to 31/12/2003 €000's	Year to 31/12/2002 €000's
Expected return on pension scheme assets	-	-
Interest on pension liabilities	<u>(248)</u>	<u>(223)</u>
Net return	(248)	(223)

Analysis of amount which would be recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses (STRGL)

	Year to 31/12/2003 €000's	Year to 31/12/2002 €000's
Actual return less expected on assets	-	-
Experience gains and losses on liabilities	(18)	(120)
Changes in assumptions	<u>(239)</u>	<u>(399)</u>
Actuarial gain/(loss) recognised in STRGL	(257)	(519)

Movement in surplus during the year

	Year to 31/12/2003 €000's	Year to 31/12/2002 €000's
Surplus in scheme at beginning of year	(4,508)	(3,711)
Movement in year:		
(Current service cost)	(140)	(95)
Employer Contributions	32	40
(Past service costs)	-	-
(Loss on Settlements and Curtailments)	-	-
Other finance income	(248)	(223)
Actuarial gain/(loss)	<u>(257)</u>	<u>(519)</u>
Surplus in scheme at end of year	(5,121)	(4,508)

Anailís ar ghlantoradh ar scéim phinsin a chuireofaí i mbrabús oibriúcháin

	Bliain ar Bhliain go 31/12/2003 €000's	Bliain ar Bhliain go 31/12/2002 €000's
Toradh ionchais ar shócmhainní scéime pinsin	-	-
Ús ar dhliteanais phinsin	<u>(248)</u>	<u>(223)</u>
Glanthoradh	(248)	(223)

Anailís ar an méid a aithneofaí i ráiteas ar iomlán gnóthachain agus cailiteanais aitheanta (STRLG)

	Bliain ar Bhliain go 31/12/2003 €000's	Bliain ar Bhliain go 31/12/2002 €000's
Toradh iarbhír lúide ionchais ar shócmhainní	-	-
Taithí gnóthachain agus cailiteanais ar dhliteanais	(18)	(120)
Athruithe ar bhoinn tuisceana	<u>(239)</u>	<u>(399)</u>
Gnóthachan/(cailiteanas) achtúireach aitheanta sa STRGL	(257)	(519)

Gluaiseacht i mbarrachas i gcaitheamh na bliana

	Bliain ar Bhliain go 31/12/2003 €000's	Bliain ar Bhliain go 31/12/2002 €000's
Barrachas sa scéim ag tús na bliana	(4,508)	(3,711)
Gluaiseacht sa bhliain:		
(Costas reatha seirbhíse)	(140)	(95)
Ranníocaíochtaí Fostóra	32	40
(Costais seanseirbhíse)	-	-
(Cailiteanas ar Shocraíochtaí agus ar Chiorrúcháin)	-	-
Ioncam eile airgeadais	(248)	(223)
Gnóthachan/(cailiteanas) achtúireach	<u>(257)</u>	<u>(519)</u>
Barrachas sa scéim ag deireadh na bliana	(5,121)	(4,508)

History of experience gains and losses	2003	2002
Experience gains and losses on scheme liabilities:		
Amount (€)	(18)	(120)
Percentage of scheme liabilities	0.4%	(2.7%)
Total amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses:		
Amount (€)	(257)	(519)
Percentage of scheme liabilities	(5.0%)	(11.5%)

23. The financial accounts were approved by the Board on 23/03/2004

Stair ar thaithí gnóthachain agus caillteanais	2003	2002
Taithí gnóthachain agus caillteanais ar dhliteanais scéime:		
Méid (€)	(18)	(120)
Céatadán de dhliteanais scéime	0.4%	(2.7%)
Méid iomlán aitheanta i ráiteas ar iomlán gnóthachain agus caillteanais aitheanta:		
Méid (€)	(257)	(519)
Céatadán de dhliteanais scéime	(5.0%)	(11.5%)

23. Rinne an Bord faomhadh ar na cuntais airgeadais ar an 23/03/2004

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Schedules to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2003

Summary of All Grants 2003

SCHEDULE I

	RECURRENT GRANTS	CAPITAL GRANTS	ERASMUS GRANTS	RESEARCH GRANTS	2003 TOTAL	2002 TOTAL
	€	€	€	€	€	€
National University of Ireland	12,697				12,697	12,697
University College, Dublin	154,182,938	3,350,066	270,175	8,211,288	166,014,467	172,011,527
University College Cork	100,695,356	583,614	154,673	7,350,247	108,783,890	106,391,987
National University of Ireland, Galway	77,146,439	108,073	198,650	4,996,381	82,449,543	84,105,092
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	36,422,966	2,658,120	20,027	2,349,033	41,450,146	51,711,134
Trinity College Dublin	109,630,684	493,711	186,781	11,166,022	121,477,198	119,461,314
Dublin City University	44,361,189	4,264,292	132,012	4,222,044	52,979,537	60,685,019
University of Limerick	62,265,282	331,947	189,850	2,111,301	64,898,380	65,203,328
National College of Art and Design	11,316,933		64,179	44,445	11,425,557	10,131,974
Royal Irish Academy	2,988,325				2,988,325	2,826,000
Mary Immaculate College	14,305,036	490,260	30,610	114,050	14,939,956	14,064,266
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	15,792,091	117,205	23,547	98,029	16,030,872	15,451,675
Athlone Institute of Technology	15,000		2,531	129,000	146,531	144,547
Blanchardstown Institute of Technology			12,784	4,763	17,547	20,400
Institute of Technology, Carlow	36,803		28,353	134,763	199,919	118,605
Cork Institute of Technology	40,000		30,987	84,360	155,347	142,640
Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies				555,612	555,612	1,355,000
Dublin Institute of Technology			101,806	1,641,767	1,743,573	1,041,036
Dundalk Institute of Technology	27,000		13,635	19,000	59,635	13,545
Dunlaoghaire Institute of Technology				57,000	57,000	54,712
Galway – Mayo Institute of Technology			16,341	60,848	77,189	97,832
Letterkenny Institute of Technology			7,479	23,813	50,792	5,528
Limerick Institute of Technology	19,500		2,976	38,100	41,076	18,013
Institute of Technology, Sligo	75,000		38,559	185,000	298,559	206,731
Institute of Technology, Tallaght			26,755	10,763	37,518	47,365
Institute of Technology, Tralee			(813)	38,000	37,187	55,077
Waterford Institute of Technology	30,000		23,193	792,293	845,486	602,605
Froebel College of Education			7,744		7,744	-2,411
HEAnet	850,000			6,250,000	7,100,000	9,186,563
Mater Dei Institute of Education	2,797,716		11,162	4,080	2,812,958	8,885
National College of Ireland	110,000		20,411		130,411	22,539
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	1,723,757	191,304		2,490,728	4,405,789	4,349,570
St. Angelas College			1,530		1,530	
St. Catherine's College of Education for Home Economics			3,596		3,596	2,240
Tipperary Institute of Technology			6,432		6,432	
St Patricks College Maynooth				25,400	25,400	25,397
Marino Institute of Education				19,000	19,000	
Total	634,844,712	12,588,592	1,625,965	53,227,130	702,286,399	719,572,432

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Sceidil leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Achoimre ar Gach Deontas i 2003

SCEIDEAL I

	DEONTAIS ATHFHILLTEACHA	DEONTAIS CAIPITIL	DEONTAIS ERASMUS	DEONTAIS TAIGHDE	IOMLÁN 2003	IOMLÁN 2002
	€	€	€	€	€	€
Ollscoil na hÉireann	12,697				12,697	12,697
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	154,182,938	3,350,066	270,175	8,211,288	166,014,467	172,011,527
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	100,695,356	583,614	154,673	7,350,247	108,783,890	106,391,987
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	77,146,439	108,073	198,650	4,996,381	82,449,543	84,105,092
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	36,422,966	2,658,120	20,027	2,349,033	41,450,146	51,711,134
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	109,630,684	493,711	186,781	11,166,022	121,477,198	119,461,314
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	44,361,189	4,264,292	132,012	4,222,044	52,979,537	60,685,019
Ollscoil Luimnigh	62,265,282	331,947	189,850	2,111,301	64,898,380	65,203,328
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	11,316,933		64,179	44,445	11,425,557	10,131,974
Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann	2,988,325				2,988,325	2,826,000
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál	14,305,036	490,260	30,610	114,050	14,939,956	14,064,266
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	15,792,091	117,205	23,547	98,029	16,030,872	15,451,675
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain	15,000		2,531	129,000	146,531	144,547
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Baile Bhainséir			12,784	4,763	17,547	20,400
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach	36,803		28,353	134,763	199,919	118,605
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí	40,000		30,987	84,360	155,347	142,640
Institiúid Ard-Léinn Bhaile Átha Cliath				555,612	555,612	1,355,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath			101,806	1,641,767	1,743,573	1,041,036
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan	27,000		13,635	19,000	59,635	13,545
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Laoghaire				57,000	57,000	54,712
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe - Maigh Eo			16,341	60,848	77,189	97,832
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn			7,479	23,813	50,792	5,528
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh	19,500		2,976	38,100	41,076	18,013
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sligeach	75,000		38,559	185,000	298,559	206,731
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht			26,755	10,763	37,518	47,365
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí			(813)	38,000	37,187	55,077
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge	30,000		23,193	792,293	845,486	602,605
Coláiste Oideachais Froebel			7,744		7,744	-2,411
HEAnet	850,000			6,250,000	7,100,000	9,186,563
Institiúid Oideachais Mater Dei	2,797,716		11,162	4,080	2,812,958	8,885
Ollscoil na hÉireann	110,000		20,411		130,411	22,539
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá in Éirinn	1,723,757	191,304		2,490,728	4,405,789	4,349,570
Coláiste St. Angelas			1,530		1,530	
Coláiste Tís Chaitríona Naofa			3,596		3,596	2,240
Institiúid Thibraid Árann			6,432		6,432	
Coláiste Phádraig, Má Nuad				25,400	25,400	25,397
Coláiste Mhuire Marino				19,000	19,000	
Iomlán	634,844,712	12,588,592	1,625,965	53,227,130	702,286,399	719,572,432

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Recurrent Grant Expenditure

SCHEDULE II

Institution	Annual Grants		Minor Works Grant	Fee Recoupment	(A) Increased Intake		ICT Skills	(B) Targeted Initiatives		(C) Other Schemes	2003 Total		2002 Total	
	€				€			€			€		€	
National University of Ireland	12,697											12,697		12,697
University College, Dublin (D)	109,001,900	760,000	39,043,684	2,672,000	140,500	1,804,000	760,854	154,182,938	146,735,841					
University College Cork	63,990,000	240,000	30,537,179	3,596,500		1,346,000	985,677	100,695,356	96,440,457					
National University of Ireland, Galway	45,440,140	140,000	26,347,623	3,251,500		1,432,000	535,176	77,146,439	73,844,045					
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	21,980,500	64,000	11,855,130	1,247,000		725,000	551,336	36,422,966	34,838,365					
Trinity College Dublin	76,256,500	228,000	27,584,668	3,712,000		1,164,000	685,516	109,630,684	102,468,042					
Dublin City University	24,595,700	95,000	14,330,116	3,703,000	100,000	1,214,000	323,373	44,361,189	44,553,002					
University of Limerick (F)	36,089,000	95,000	22,251,978	2,078,000	196,538	1,143,000	411,766	62,265,282	60,298,985					
National College of Art and Design	8,942,500		2,171,378	137,000		32,000	34,055	11,316,933	9,684,427					
Royal Irish Academy	2,988,325							2,988,325	2,826,000					
Mary Immaculate College (E)	6,242,000		5,067,001	2,540,000		385,000	71,035	14,305,036	12,932,493					
St. Patrick's College, Drumcontra (E)	8,347,000		4,549,886	2,660,000		169,000	66,205	15,792,091	14,405,859					
Mater Dei Institute (E)	2,084,000		713,716					2,797,716						
HEAnet/Hiber	850,000							850,000	950,000					
Royal College of Surgeons			1,260,757	463,000				1,723,757	909,000					
Athlone Institute of Technology					15,000			15,000	0					
Institute of Technology Sligo					75,000			75,000	0					
National College Ireland					110,000			110,000	0					
Cork Institute of Technology					40,000			40,000	0					
Dundalk Institute of Technology					27,000			27,000	0					
Waterford Institute of Technology					30,000			30,000	0					
Limerick Institute of Technology					19,500			19,500	0					
Institute of Technology Carlow					36,803			36,803	0					
Total	406,820,262	1,622,000	185,713,116	26,060,000	790,341	9,414,000	4,424,993	634,844,712	600,899,213					

Notes

- (h) The Advanced Technical Skills Programme was replaced with the exchequer funded Graduate Skills Conversion Programme with effect from 1999 / 2000. Expenditure under this programme is included under the Increased Intake heading.
- (i) Targeted Initiatives include the following: Improved Access/ Disadvantaged/Mature Students / Travellers and Refugees €5,395,000, Irish €1,300,000, Progression €129,000, Student Retention €979,000, Support for Teaching €809,000, Technology in Higher Education €802,000.
- (j) This refers to other schemes operated by the HEA on behalf of the Department of Education and Science. It includes the Special Fund for Students with Disabilities €1,532,367 and ESF aided Student Assistance/ Access Fund €2,656,832. It also includes €1,292,700 for ICT skills.
- (k) Included in the UCD annual grant is €110,000 paid to AHEAD (Association for Higher Education Access and Disability).
- (l) Mary Immaculate College is paid through the University of Limerick, St. Patrick's College Drumcontra and Mater Dei Institute are paid through Dublin City University.
- (m) Included in the UL annual grant is €1,120,000 paid to the National Coaching and Training Centre on behalf of the Department of Arts, Sport and Tourism.

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Caiteachas Deontais Athfhillteacha

SCEIDEAL II

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)
	Méadú Iontógála	SCILEANNA TEC	Spríoc-Thionscnaimh	Soéimeanna Eile	Iomlán 2003	Iomlán 2002						
	€	€	€	€	€	€						
Institiúid												
Deontais Bhlantúda	12,697				12,697							
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	109,001,900	760,000	140,500	760,854	154,182,938	146,735,841						
Aisghabháil Tairgí	39,043,684											
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	240,000	240,000		985,677	100,695,356	96,440,457						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	140,000	140,000		535,176	77,146,439	73,844,045						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	21,980,500	64,000		551,336	36,422,966	34,838,365						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	76,256,500	228,000		685,516	109,630,684	102,468,042						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	24,595,700	95,000	100,000	323,373	44,361,189	44,553,002						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	36,089,000	95,000	196,538	411,766	62,265,282	60,298,985						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	8,942,500			34,055	11,316,933	9,684,427						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	2,988,325				2,988,325	2,826,000						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	6,242,000		385,000	71,035	14,305,036	12,932,493						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	8,347,000		169,000	66,205	15,792,091	14,405,859						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	2,084,000				2,797,716							
Deontas um Mhionobreacha	850,000				850,000	950,000						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha			15,000		1,723,757	909,000						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha			75,000		75,000	0						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha			110,000		110,000	0						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha			40,000		40,000	0						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha			27,000		27,000	0						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha			30,000		30,000	0						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha			19,500		19,500	0						
Deontas um Mhionobreacha			36,803		36,803	0						
Iomlán	406,820,262	1,622,000	790,341	4,424,993	634,844,712	600,899,213						

Nótaí

- (h) Déanadh athsholáthar ar an gClár Ard Scileanna Teicniúla leis an gClár Maínteachta Scileanna Iarchéime cistithe ag an státchiste le héifeacht ó 1999 / 2000. Cuimsíodh caiteachas an chláir seo faoin teideal 'Méadú Iontógála'.
- (i) I measc na Sprocanna Tionscnaimh tá siad seo a leanas: Feabhsú Rochtana/ Mic Léinn faoi Míbhuntáiste/Mic Léinn Lánfhásta / Lucht Siúil agus Teifigh €5,395,000, Gaeilge €1,300,000, Dul chun cinn €129,000, Coirneáil Mac Léinn €979,000, Tacaíocht do Mhúinteoirí €809,000, Teicneolaíocht in Ardoidéachas €802,000.
- (j) Tagann seo do scéimeanna eile atá á stiúradh ag an ÚAO ar son an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta. Cuimsíonn seo an Ciste Speisialta do Mhic Léinn le Micthumas €1,532,367 agus Ciste Cúnamh/Rochtana Mac Léinn €2,656,832 cistithe ag an CSE. Cuimsítear chomh maith €1,292,700 do scileanna TEC.
- (k) Cuimsithe i ndeontas bliantúil COBAC tá €110,000 iochta le AHEAD (Association for Higher Education Access and Disability).
- (l) Iochtar Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál trí Ollscoil Luimnigh, Iochtar Coláiste Phádraig Droim Conrach agus Institiúid Mátar Deirí Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath.
- (m) Cuimsithe i ndeontas bliantúil Ollscoil Luimnigh tá €1,120,000 a iochtar leis an Ionad Náisiúnta Oiliúna agus Traenála ar son an Roinn Ealaíne, Spóirt agus Turasóireachta.

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Capital Grants 2003

SCHEDULE III

	BUILDING GRANTS	EQUIPMENT GRANTS	MAINTENANCE GRANTS	2003 TOTAL	2002 TOTAL
	€	€	€	€	€
Institution					
University College, Dublin	2,950,910	399,156		3,350,066	10,649,217
University College Cork	583,614			583,614	2,890,504
National University of Ireland, Galway	63,934	44,139		108,073	2,652,382
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	2,658,120			2,658,120	12,815,878
Trinity College Dublin	438,283	55,428		493,711	5,210,809
Dublin City University	4,264,292			4,264,292	11,463,104
University of Limerick	270,791	61,156		331,947	2,229,474
National College of Art and Design					387,846
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	117,205			117,205	896,298
Mary Immaculate College	490,260			490,260	982,457
Royal College of Surgeons	191,304			191,304	611,215
Total	12,028,713	559,879		12,588,592	50,789,184

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Deontais Caipitil 2003

SCEIDEAL III

	DEONTAIS TÓGÁLA	DEONTAIS TREALAIMH	DEONTAIS COTHABHÁLA	IOMLÁN 2003	IOMLÁN 2002
	€	€	€	€	€
Institiúid					
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	2,950,910	399,156		3,350,066	10,649,217
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	583,614			583,614	2,890,504
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	63,934	44,139		108,073	2,652,382
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	2,658,120			2,658,120	12,815,878
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	438,283	55,428		493,711	5,210,809
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	4,264,292			4,264,292	11,463,104
Ollscoil Luimnigh	270,791	61,156		331,947	2,229,474
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha					387,846
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	117,205			117,205	896,298
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál	490,260			490,260	982,457
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá	191,304			191,304	611,215
Iomlán	12,028,713	559,879		12,588,592	50,789,184

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Research Initiative Grant Expenditure

SCHEDULE IV

Institution	Prtli Recurrent & Transport Programme	Des Post Doctoral Fellowship	Media Lab Europe	IRCSET Research Schemes	IRCHSS Research Schemes	North South	HEAnet Re-current	PRTL Building Grants	PRTL Equipment Grants	2003 Total	2002 Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
University College, Dublin	1,917,750	33,967	290,475	2,019,852	1,595,294	92,800		561,514	1,699,636	8,211,288	14,397,775
University College Cork	3,540,000			1,731,273	966,969	167,500		862,240	82,265	7,350,247	6,887,721
National University of Ireland, Galway	2,920,000	46,665		1,194,992	635,154			77,473	122,097	4,996,381	7,458,748
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	310,000	36,506	227,288	544,616	860,308	19,500		350,815		2,349,033	4,020,886
Trinity College Dublin	4,250,250	(22,145)	560,450	1,793,688	1,956,972	130,500		2,247,363	248,944	11,166,022	11,558,668
Dublin City University	2,845,000		58,400	887,441	382,703	48,500				4,222,044	4,541,329
University of Limerick	340,000		100,000	1,190,161	460,440	20,700				2,111,301	2,511,409
Royal College of Surgeons	1,800,000			126,089	19,000	20,500		304,210	220,929	2,490,728	2,829,175
Athlone Institute of Technology	110,000				19,000					129,000	138,092
Cork Institute of Technology				65,360	19,000					84,360	126,315
Dublin Institute of Technology	460,000			31,161	93,823			1,047,380	9,403	1,641,767	941,671
Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies	470,000			85,612						555,612	1,355,000
Dundalk Institute of Technology					19,000					19,000	
Dunlaoghaire Institute of Technology					57,000					57,000	54,712
Galway - Mayo Institute of Technology				60,848						60,848	65,432
Institute of Technology, Blanchardstown				4,763						4,763	
Institute of Technology, Carlow	130,000			4,763						134,763	100,000
Institute of Technology, Tallaght				4,763	6,000					10,763	
Institute of Technology, Tralee					38,000					38,000	38,092
Institute of Technology, Sligo	185,000									185,000	175,000
Letterkenny Institute of Technology				23,813						23,813	4,763
Limerick Institute of Technology				38,100						38,100	9,525
Waterford Institute of Technology	695,000			80,963	16,330					792,293	586,749
HEAnet							6,250,000			6,250,000	8,236,563
National College of Art and Design					44,445					44,445	28,570
Mary Immaculate College					114,050					114,050	123,366
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra			48,750		49,279					98,029	122,378
St. Patrick's College, Maynooth					25,400					25,400	25,397
Marino Institute of Education					19,000					19,000	
Mater Dei Institute of Education					4,080					4,080	
Total	19,973,000	94,993	1,285,363	9,888,258	7,401,247	500,000	6,250,000	5,450,995	2,383,274	53,227,130	66,367,336

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Sceidil na Ráiteas Airgeadais don bhliain dar críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2003

Caiteachas Deontais um Thionscnamh Taighde

SCEIDEAL IV

	Príú Clár Athfhillteach agus Iompair	Ánracht Iardhocht- túireachta ROE	Media Lab Europe	Scéimeanna Taighde CTEIT	Scéimeanna Taighde CTEDES	Thuidh Theas	Athfhillteach- HEAnet	Deontais Tógála PRTL	Deontais Trealamh PRTL	IOMLÁN 2003	IOMLÁN 2002
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
Institiúid											
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	1,917,750	33,967	290,475	2,019,852	1,595,294	92,800		561,514	1,699,636	8,211,288	14,397,775
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	3,540,000			1,731,273	966,969	167,500		862,240	82,265	7,350,247	6,887,721
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	2,920,000	46,665		1,194,992	635,154			77,473	122,097	4,996,381	7,458,748
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	310,000	36,506	227,288	544,616	860,308	19,500		350,815		2,349,033	4,020,886
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	4,250,250	(22,145)	560,450	1,793,688	1,956,972	130,500		2,247,363	248,944	11,166,022	11,558,668
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	2,845,000		58,400	887,441	382,703	48,500				4,222,044	4,541,329
Ollscoil Luimnigh	340,000		100,000	1,190,161	460,440	20,700				2,111,301	2,511,409
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá	1,800,000			126,089	19,000	20,500		304,210	220,929	2,490,728	2,829,175
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain	110,000				19,000					129,000	138,092
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí				65,360	19,000					84,360	126,315
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath	460,000			31,161	93,823			1,047,380	9,403	1,641,767	941,671
Institiúid Ard-Léinn Bhaile Átha Cliath	470,000			85,612						555,612	1,355,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan					19,000					19,000	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Laoghaire					57,000					57,000	54,712
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe - Maigh Eo				60,848						60,848	65,432
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Baile Bhlainséir				4,763						4,763	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach	130,000			4,763						134,763	100,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht				4,763	6,000					10,763	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí					38,000					38,000	38,092
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Stigeach	185,000									185,000	175,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn				23,813						23,813	4,763
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh				38,100						38,100	9,525
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge	695,000			80,963	16,330					792,293	586,749
HEAnet							6,250,000			6,250,000	8,236,563
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaine is Deartha					44,445					44,445	28,570
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál					114,050					114,050	123,366
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach			48,750		49,279					98,029	122,378
Coláiste Phádraig, Má Nuad					25,400					25,400	25,397
Coláiste Mhuire Marino					19,000					19,000	
Institiúid Oideachais Mater Dei					4,080					4,080	
Iomlán	19,973,000	94,993	1,285,363	9,888,258	7,401,247	500,000	6,250,000	5,450,995	2,383,274	53,227,130	66,367,336

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Schedules to The Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2003

Socrates - Erasmus Grants 2003

SCHEDULE V

Institution	2003 TOTAL	2002 TOTAL
	€	€
University College, Dublin	270,175	228,694
University College Cork	154,673	173,305
National University of Ireland, Galway	198,650	149,917
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	20,027	36,005
Trinity College Dublin	186,781	193,795
Dublin City University	132,012	128,119
University of Limerick	189,850	162,325
National College of Art and Design	64,179	31,131
Mary Immaculate College	30,610	26,550
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	23,547	27,140
Athlone Institute of Technology	2,531	6,455
Blanchardstown Institute of Technology	14,444	20,400
Institute of Technology, Carlow	26,853	18,605
Cork Institute of Technology	34,087	16,325
Dublin Institute of Technology	101,806	99,365
Dundalk Institute of Technology	13,635	13,545
Galway – Mayo Institute of Technology	16,341	32,400
Letterkenny Institute of Technology	5,819	765
Limerick Institute of Technology	2,976	8,488
Institute of Technology, Sligo	36,959	31,731
Tipperary Institute of Technology	6,432	0
Institute of Technology, Tallaght	26,755	47,365
Institute of Technology, Tralee	(813)	16,985
Waterford Institute of Technology	23,193	15,856
Froebel College of Education	7,744	(2,411)
Mater Dei Institute of Education	11,162	8,885
National College of Ireland	20,411	22,539
St. Angelas College	1,530	180
St. Catherine's College of Education for Home Economics	3,596	2,240
Total	1,625,965	1,516,699

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Deontais Socrates - Erasmus 2003

SCEIDEAL V

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	€	€
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Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for presentation to the Houses of the Oireachtas

I have audited the financial statements on pages 2 to 25 under Paragraph 20 (2) of the Schedule to the Higher Education Authority Act, 1971.

Respective Responsibilities of n tÚdaras and the Comptroller and Auditor General

The accounting responsibilities of an tÚdaras are set out in the Statement of Responsibilities of An tÚdarás Um Ard- Oideachas on page 182. It is my responsibility, based on my audit, to form an independent opinion on the financial statements presented to me by an tÚdarás and to report on them.

I review whether the statement on page 182 reflects compliance by an tÚdarás with applicable guidance on corporate governance and report any material instance where it does not do so, or if the statement is misleading or inconsistent with other information of which I am aware from my audit of the financial statements.

Basis of Audit Opinion

In the exercise of my function as Comptroller and Auditor General, I conducted my audit of the financial statements in accordance with auditing standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board and by reference to the special considerations which attach to State bodies in relation to their management and operation.

An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in financial statements. It also includes an assessment of significant estimates and judgements made in preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of an tÚdarás, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I planned and performed my audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations that I considered necessary to provide me with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurances that the financial statements are free from material misstatement whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming my opinion I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by an tÚdaras and the financial statements, which are in agreement with them, give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of An tÚdaras Um Ard-Oideachas at 31 December 2004 and of its income and expenditure and cash flow for the year then ended.

John Purcell
Comptroller and Auditor General
29 June 2005

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Tuarascáil an Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste le cur i láthair Tithe an Oireachtais

Táim tar éis iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar na ráitis airgeadais ar leathnaigh 2 go 25 faoi Alt 20 (2) den Sceideal don Acht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas, 1971.

Freagrachtaí atá ar an Údaras agus ar an Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste faoi seach

Tá freagrachtaí cuntasáíochta an Údaráis leagtha amach i Ráiteas Freagrachtaí an Údaráis um Ardoideachas ar leathanach 183 Tá an fhreagracht ormsa, bunaithe ar m'iniúchadh, barúil neamhspleách a dhéanamh ar na ráitis airgeadais a tugadh dom ag an Údarás agus tuairisc a dhéanamh orthu.

Déanaim athbhreithniú maidir leis an ráiteas ar leathanach 183 féachaint an bhfuil an tÚdarás ag géilleadh don treo a bhaineann le rialachas corparáideach agus tuairisc a dhéanamh ar aon ní substaintiúil nuair nach bhfuiltear ag géilleadh, nó má tá an ráiteas míthreorach nó ar neamhréir le heolas eile atá ar eolas agam óm'iniúchadh ar na ráitis airgeadais.

Bonn do Bharúil Iniúchta

Is mé i mbun cleachtadh na feidhme atá agam i m'Ard-Reachtair Cunas agus Ciste, dhéan mé m'iniúchadh ar na ráitis airgeadais de réir na gcaighdeán iniúchta atá eisithe ag an mBord um Chleachtas Iniúcháireachta agus trí thagairt do na gnéithe speisialta a bhaineann le Comhlachtaí Stáit maidir lena mbainistíocht agus lena bhfeidhmiúchán.

Cuimsíonn iniúchadh scrúdú, ar bhonn tástála, ar fhianaise ábharthach leis na méideanna agus na nochtaithe sna ráitis airgeadais. Cuimsíonn sé chomh maith measúnú ar mheastacháin agus ar bhreithiúnais suntasacha a déanadh in ullmhúchán na ráiteas airgeadais, agus le féachaint chomh maith an bhfuil na polasaithe cuntasáíochta cuí maidir le cúinsí an Údaráis, curtha i bhfeidhm mar is cóir agus le leorfhaisnéisiú.

Phleanáil mé agus chuir mé i bhfeidhm m'iniúchadh chun go ngeobhfainn gach eolas agus gach freagra a mheas mé a bheith riachtanach chun soláthar a dhéanamh ar leorfhianaise chun dearbhuithe réasúnta a thabhairt go bhfuil na ráitis airgeadais saor ó mhíríteas substaintiúil trí chalaois nó neamhrialtacht nó earráid eile. Is mé ag teacht ar mo bharúil dhéan mé meastachán chomh maith ar acmhainneacht fhoriomlán an chur i láthair eolais atá sna ráitis airgeadais.

Barúil

De réir mo bharúil féin, choimeád an tÚdarás leabhair chuí cuntais agus tugann na ráitis airgeadais, atá ag aontú leo, léirmheas fírinneach agus cóir maidir le cúrsaí an Údaráis um Ardoideachas ar an 31ú Nollaig agus ar a shreabhadh airgid thirim ioncaim agus caiteachais don bhliain a chríochnaigh ansin.

John Purcell

Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste

29ú Meitheamh 2005

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Statement of Responsibilities of An tÚdarás

Paragraph 20 (1) of the Schedule to the Higher Education Authority Act 1971 requires An tÚdarás to prepare financial statements in such form as may be approved by the Minister for Education & Science after consultation with the Minister for Finance.

In preparing those financial statements, An tÚdarás is required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that An tÚdarás will continue in operation.
- Disclose and explain any material departures from applicable accounting standards

An tÚdarás is responsible for keeping proper books of account which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position and which enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with paragraph 20 (1) of the Schedule to the Act. An tÚdarás is also responsible for safeguarding its assets and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Chairman: Michael Kelly

Secretary: Tom Boland

Date: 29.06.05

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Ráiteas ar Fhreagrachtaí An Údaráis

Éilíonn alt 20 (1) den Sceideal d'Acht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas 1971 go n-ullmhódh an tÚdarás ráitis airgeadais i bhfoirm ina bhféadfadh an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta faomhadh a dhéanamh air tar éis dó dul i gcomhairle leis an Aire Airgeadais.

Is é ag ullmhú na ráiteas airgeadais sin, caithfidh an tÚdarás na nithe seo a leanas a chomhlíonadh:

- Polasaithe chuí a roghnú agus a chur i bhfeidhm go seasta.
- Breithiúnais agus meastacháin a dhéanamh atá réasúnta agus ciallmhar;
- Ráitis airgeadais a ullmhú ar an mbonn gnóthais leantaigh ach amháin mura bhfuil sé cuí toimhdiú a dhéanamh go leanfaidh an tÚdarás ag feidhmiú.
- Aon imeachtaí substaintiúla ó na caighdeáin cuntasafóchta a bhaineann leis a nochtadh agus a mhíniú.

Tá an tÚdarás freagarach as leabhair chuntais chuí a choimeád a dhéanann faisnéisiú le cruinneas réasúnta ag aon uair a staid airgeadais agus a chintíonn gur féidir leis a dhearbhu go bhfuil na ráitis airgeadais ag géilleadh d'alt 20 (1) de Sceideal an Achta. Tá an tÚdarás freagrach chomh maith as a shócmhainní a chosaint agus le céimeanna réasúnta a thógaint chun cosc agus brath a dhéanamh ar chalaouis agus ar chinéalacha eile neamhrialtachtaí.

Cathaoirleach: Michael Kelly

Rúnaí: Tom Boland

Dáta: 29.06.05

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Statement of Accounting Policies

An tÚdarás um Ard-Oideachas was established on 15th May 1972 to perform functions assigned to it by Acht an Údaráis um Ard-Oideachas 1971. The format of its financial statements has been approved by the Minister for Education and Science with the concurrence of the Minister for Finance and comprises Income and Expenditure Accounts, Balance Sheet and a Cash Flow Statement.

Accounting Policies

1. Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. These Statements are prepared on an accruals basis, except as stated below and are in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice. Financial Reporting Standards, recommended by the Accounting Standards Board, are adopted as they become effective.

2. Oireachtas Grants

Income from Oireachtas grants represents actual cash receipts in the year.

3. Fixed Assets

The fixed assets of the Authority comprising furniture and equipment and computers are stated in the financial statements at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation

Computers are depreciated at a rate of 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % per annum straight line method. All other fixed assets are depreciated at a rate of 10% per annum straight line method.

4. Capital Funding

The assets of the Authority are financed out of administration grants. The Capital Reserve Account represents the amount of income allocated for capital purposes less the amount released to revenue over the life of the assets.

5. Grants to Universities, Colleges and Designated Institutions;

The expenditure under these headings represents the grants which had been allocated to Institutions in respect of the year. These grants are applied by institutions on the following basis:

(a) Recurrent Grants

In addition to meeting the running expenses of the Institution these grants may also be applied for certain other purposes, including the purchase of furniture, the replacement of equipment or the carrying out of minor capital projects.

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Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasóireachta

Bunaíodh an tÚdarás um Ardoideachais ar an 15ú Bealtaine 1972 chun na feidhmiúcháin a thug an Acht an Údaráis um Ardoideachas 1971 do a fheidhmiú. Tá an tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta tar éis faomhadh a dhéanamh ar fhoráid a ráiteas airgeadais le comhthoilíú ón Aire Airgeadais agus tá seo comhdhéanta de Chuntais Ioncaim agus Caiteachais, Clár Comhardaithe agus Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid Thirim.

Polasaithe Cuntasaíochta

1. Bonn Cuntasaíochta

Ullmhaíodh na Ráitis Airgeadais faoin gcoinbhinsiún costais stairiúil. Ullmhaítear na Ráitis seo ar bhonn fabhrúithe, ach amháin mar atá luaite thíos agus tá siad de réir na gcleachtas cuntasaíochta a nglactar go coitianta leo. Glactar le Caighdeán Tuarascála Airgeadais, molta ag Bord na gCaighdeán Cuntasaíochta, de réir mar a thagann siad in éifeacht .

2. Deontais Oireachtais

Léiríonn an t-ioncam a thagann ó dheontais Oireachtais iarbhír fháltais airgid sa bhliain.

3. Sócmhainní Seasta

Tá Sócmhainní Seasta an Údaráis atá comhdhéanta de throscáin agus trealamh agus ríomhairí leagtha síos sna ráitis airgeadais ar chostas nó luacháil lúide dímheas carnach.

Dímheas

Déantar dímheas ar ríomhairí ar ráta de 33^{1/3}% sa bhliain de réir mhodh na líne díreach. Déantar dímheas ar gach sócmhainn eile seasta ar ráta de 10% sa bhliain de réir mhodh na líne díreach.

4. Cistíocht Chaipitil

Déantar maoiniú ar shócmhainní an Údaráis ó dheontais riaracháin. Léiríonn an Cuntas Cúlchiste Caipitil an méid ioncaim atá dailte do chúramaí caipitil lúide an méid a urscaoileadh chuig ioncam i rith saolré na sócmhainní.

5. Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus Institiúidí sainithe;

Léiríonn an caiteachas faoi na teidil seo na deontais a leithdháileadh d'Institiúidí i leith na bliana áirithe. Úsáideann na hInstitiúidí na deontais seo ar na boinn seo a leanas:

(a) Deontais Athfhillteacha

Chomh maith le costais stiúrtha na hInstitiúide a shásamh is féidir na deontais seo a úsáid do chúramaí áirithe eile, ina measc troscán a cheannach, trealamh a athsholáthar nó do thograí mionchaipitil.

(b) Building Grants

In certain instances grants reported under this heading may be used to fund initial issues of library stock, equipment or furniture.

(c) Research Initiative Grants

These grants comprise

- Funding of Institutions under the Programme for Research in Third Level Institutions (PRTLII) for recurrent and capital purpose schemes.
- Payments under the Research Schemes of the Irish Research Council for Humanities and Social Science (IRCHSS) and the Irish Research Council for Science, Engineering and Technology (IRCSET)
- Payments under the North/South Programme for Collaborative Research
- Payments under the fund for Collaborative Research between MediaLab Europe and Irish Third Level Institutions
- Payments under the Transport Research Programme.
- Payments since 1 October 1999 on behalf of the Department of Education and Science under a post doctoral fellowship scheme.

(d) The National Office for Equality of Access to Higher Education

These grants comprise

- Funding of institutions under the Student Assistance Programme
- Funding of Institutions under the fund for Students with Disabilities.
- Funding of Community organisations under the Millenium Partnership Fund through Area Development Management Ltd.

6. SUPERANNUATION

A superannuation scheme under section 5(3) of the Higher Education Act 1980 has been approved. Deductions are credited to salaries and wages. Pension costs are charged against revenue as they arise and no provision is made for future superannuation liabilities.

(b) Deontais Tógála

I gcásanna áirithe is féidir deontais a fhógraítear faoin teideal seo a úsáid le cistíocht a dhéanamh ar stoc, trealamh nó troscán tosaigh leabharlainne.

(c) Deontais Tionscnaimh Thaighde

Cuimsíonn na deontais seo

- Cistíocht ar Institiúidí faoin gClár um Thaighde in Institiúidí Tríú Leibhéal (CTITL) do scéimeanna atréimhseacha agus críocha caipitiúla.
- Íocaíochtaí faoi Scéimeanna Taighde na Comhairle Taighde Éireannach do Dhaonnachtaí agus Eolaíocht Shóisialta (CTEDES) agus na Comhairle Taighde Éireannach d'Eolaíocht, Innealltóireacht agus Teicneolaíocht (CTEIT)
- Íocaíochtaí faoin gClár Thuaidh/Theas do Chomhthaighde.
- Íocaíochtaí faoin gcistíocht do Chomhthaighde idir MediaLab Europe agus Institiúidí Tríú Leibhéal Éireannacha
- Íocaíochtaí faoin gClár Taighde Iompair.
- Íocaíochtaí ó 1 Deireadh Fómhair 1999 ar son an Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta faoi scéim ánrachta iardhochtúireachta.

(d) An Oifig Náisiúnta do Chomhionannas ar Rochtain ar Ardoideachas

Cuimsíonn na deontais seo

- Cistiú ar institiúidí faoin gClár um Chúnaimh do Mhic Léinn
- Cistiú ar Institiúidí faoin gciste do Mhic Léinn faoi Mhíchumas.
- Cistiú ar eagraíochtaí Pobail faoin gCiste Páirtnéireachta Mílaoise trí Area Development Management Ltd.

6. AOISLIÚNTAS

Tá faomhadh tugtha do scéim aoisliúntais faoi alt 5(3) den Acht um Ardoideachas, 1980. Déantar asbhaintí a chur chun sochair tuarastail agus pána. Cuirtear costais pinsin i gcoinne ioncam de réir mar a thagann siad chun cinn agus níl aon soláthar deanta do dhliteanais aoisliúntais sa todhchaí.

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Income & Expenditure Account

For the Year Ended 31st December 2004

	Notes	2004 €	2003 €
INCOME			
Oireachtas Grants		756,487,805	710,965,491
Chest	2,14	61,398	39,697
Interest Earned	3.	7,298	11,111
Other Income	3A	<u>490,082</u>	<u>170,441</u>
		757,046,583	711,186,740
Less			
Amounts allocated for Capital Purposes	8	<u>(224,924)</u>	<u>(228,950)</u>
		756,821,659	710,957,790
EXPENDITURE			
Recurrent Grants	4.	644,507,977	639,000,302
Capital Grants		19,998,501	12,588,592
Research Grants		85,135,644	53,227,130
Administration Overheads	5.	5,505,248	5,412,482
IRCHSS Overheads	6.	672,740	508,958
IRCSET Overheads	7.	673,437	607,169
Access Office Overheads	7A.	<u>529,084</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>757,022,631</u>	<u>711,344,633</u>
		(200,972)	(386,843)
Transfer from Capital Reserve	8	<u>434,957</u>	<u>421,356</u>
Net Surplus for the year.		<u>233,985</u>	<u>34,513</u>

The Statement of Accounting Policies, Cash Flow Statement, notes 1-23 and Schedules I – V1 form part of the Financial Statements.

All gains and losses are recognised in the Income and Expenditure Account.

Chairperson: Michael Kelly

Secretary: Tom Boland

Date: 29.06.05

Date: 29.06.05

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Cuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais

An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2004

	Nótaí	2004 €	2003 €
IONCAM			
Deontais Oireachtais		756,487,805	710,965,491
Chest	2,14	61,398	39,697
Ús Tuillte	3.	7,298	11,111
Ioncam Eile	3A	<u>490,082</u>	<u>170,441</u>
		757,046,583	711,186,740
Lúide			
Méideanna leithdháilte chun			
Críocha Caipitiúla	8	<u>(224,924)</u>	<u>(228,950)</u>
		756,821,659	710,957,790
CAITEACHAS			
Deontais Athfhillteacha	4.	644,507,977	639,000,302
Deontais Caipitil		19,998,501	12,588,592
Deontais Taighde		85,135,644	53,227,130
Forchostais Riaracháin	5.	5,505,248	5,412,482
Forchostais CTEDES	6.	672,740	508,958
Forchostais CTEEIT	7.	673,437	607,169
Forchostais Oifige Rochtana	7A.	<u>529,084</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>757,022,631</u>	<u>711,344,633</u>
		(200,972)	(386,843)
Aistriú ó Chúlchiste Caipitil	8	<u>434,957</u>	<u>421,356</u>
Glan Barrachas don bhliain.		<u>233,985</u>	<u>34,513</u>

Tá an Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasaíochta, Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid, nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil I – V1 ina gcuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais.

Aithnítear gach gnóthachan agus cailleanas sa Chuntas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais.

Cathaoirleach: Michael Kelly

Rúnaí: Tom Boland

Dáta: 29.06.05

Dáta: 29.06.05

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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2004

	Notes	2004 €	2003 €
Fixed Assets	9	1,142,006	1,352,039
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and Prepayments	10.	486,325	618,105
Bank and Cash Balances		<u>13,542,931</u>	<u>13,478,866</u>
		<u>14,029,256</u>	<u>14,096,971</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors and Accrued Expenditure	11.	<u>13,139,367</u>	<u>13,441,067</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>889,889</u>	<u>655,904</u>
Net Assets		<u>2,031,895</u>	<u>2,007,943</u>
Represented By:			
Capital Reserve	8.	1,142,006	1,352,039
General Reserve	12.	<u>889,889</u>	<u>655,904</u>
		<u>2,031,895</u>	<u>2,007,943</u>

The statement of Accounting Policies, Cash Flow Statement and notes 1-23 and Schedules I – V1 form part of the Financial Statements.

Chairperson: Michael Kelly

Secretary: Tom Boland

Date: 29.06.05

Date: 29.06.05

Cuntais 2004**AN tÚDARÁS UM ARDOIDEACHAS****Clár Comhardaithe mar a bhí ar an 31ú Nollaig 2004**

	Nótaí	2004 €	2003 €
Sócmhainní Seasta	9	1,142,006	1,352,039
SÓCMHAINNÍ REATHA			
Féichiúnaithe agus Réamhíocaíochtaí	10.	486,325	618,105
Iarmhéideanna Bainc agus Airgid		<u>13,542,931</u>	<u>13,478,866</u>
		<u>14,029,256</u>	<u>14,096,971</u>
DLITEANAIS REATHA			
Creidiúnaithe agus Caiteachas Fabhráithe	11.	<u>13,139,367</u>	<u>13,441,067</u>
Glan Sócmhainní Reatha		<u>889,889</u>	<u>655,904</u>
Glansócmhainní		<u>2,031,895</u>	<u>2,007,943</u>
Léirithe ag:			
Cúlchiste Caipitil	8.	1,142,006	1,352,039
Cúlchiste Ginearálta	12.	<u>889,889</u>	<u>655,904</u>
		<u>2,031,895</u>	<u>2,007,943</u>

Tá an Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasaíochta, Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid agus nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil I – V1 ina gcuid de na Ráitis Airgeadais.

Cathaoirleach: Michael Kelly

Rúnaí: Tom Boland

Dáta: 29.06.05

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Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2004

Reconciliation of Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for the year to Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities

	2004 €	2003 €
Surplus/(Deficit) on Income and Expenditure Accounts		
- Administration and General Expenses	277,882	(97,948)
- Recurrent Grants	(195,268)	(18,335)
- Capital Grants	(493)	(281)
- Research Initiative	147,156	50,266
- IRCHSS Administration	(15,729)	78,764
- IRCSET Administration	(11,361)	22,047
- Access Administration	<u>31,798</u>	<u>0</u>
	233,985	34,513
Adjustment for Non Operating Items		
Interest Received	(7,298)	(11,111)
Allocation to Fund Capital Items	<u>224,924</u>	<u>228,950</u>
	451,611	252,352
Adjustment for Non-Cash Items		
Depreciation	434,957	421,356
Transfer from Capital Reserve Account	(434,957)	(421,356)
Movement in Debtors	131,780	(26,062)
Movement in Creditors	<u>(301,700)</u>	<u>(9,353,360)</u>
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities	<u>281,691</u>	<u>(9,127,070)</u>

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Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid don bhliain dar críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2004

Imréiteach de Bharrachas/(Easnamh) Oibriúcháin don bhliain go hInsreabhadh/(Eis-sreabhadh) Glanairgid ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin

	2004 €	2003 €
Barrachas/ (Easnamh) ar Chuntais Ioncaim agus Caiteachais		
- Riarachán agus Costais Ghinearálta	277,882	(97,948)
- Deontais Athfhillteacha	(195,268)	(18,335)
- Deontais Chaipitil	(493)	(281)
- Tionscnamh Taighde	147,156	50,266
- Riarachán CTEDES	(15,729)	78,764
- Riarachán CTEEIT	(11,361)	22,047
- Riarachán Rochtana	<u>31,798</u>	<u>0</u>
	233,985	34,513
Coigeartú do Mhíreanna Neamh Fheidhmiúla		
Ús Faighte	(7,298)	(11,111)
Leithdháileadh chun Míreanna Caipitil a Chistiú	<u>224,924</u>	<u>228,950</u>
	451,611	252,352
Coigeartú do Mhíreanna Neamhairgid		
Dímheas	434,957	421,356
Aistriú ó Chúntas Cúlchiste Caipitil	(434,957)	(421,356)
Gluaiseacht i bhFéichiúnaithe	131,780	(26,062)
Gluaiseacht i gCreidiúnaithe	<u>(301,700)</u>	<u>(9,353,360)</u>
Glanairgead Insreabhadh /(Eis-sreabhadh) ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin	<u>281,691</u>	<u>(9,127,070)</u>

Cash Flow Statement

	2004	2003
	€	€
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow)from Operating Activities	281,691	(9,127,070)
Finance Servicing		
Interest Received	7,298	11,111
Investing Activities		
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	<u>(224,924)</u>	<u>(228,950)</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	<u>64,065</u>	<u>(9,344,909)</u>
Reconciliation of Net Cash Flow to Movement in Net Funds		
Cash at 1 January	13,478,866	22,823,775
Cash at 31 December	<u>13,542,931</u>	<u>13,478,866</u>
Change in Net Funds	<u>64,065</u>	<u>(9,344,909)</u>

The Statement of Accounting Policies and notes 1-23 and Schedules I – V1 form part of the financial statements.

Chairperson: Michael Kelly
Date: 29.06.05

Secretary: Tom Boland
Date: 29.06.05

Ráiteas faoi Shreabhadh Airgid

	2004	2003
	€	€
Glanairgead Insreabhadh/(Eis-sreafa) ó Ghníomhaíochtaí Oibriúcháin	281,691	(9,127,070)
Seirbhísíú Airgeadais		
Ús Faighte	7,298	11,111
Gníomhaíochtaí Infheistíochta		
Íocaíochtaí chun sócmhainní seasta inláimhsithe a fháil	<u>(224,924)</u>	<u>(228,950)</u>
Glan Mhéadú/(Laghdú) in Airgead Tirim	<u>64,065</u>	<u>(9,344,909)</u>
Imréiteach ar Shreabhadh Glan Airgid Thirim go Gluaiseacht i nGlan Chistí		
Airgead ar 1ú Eanáir	13,478,866	22,823,775
Airgead ar 31ú Nollaig	<u>13,542,931</u>	<u>13,478,866</u>
Athrú i nGlan Chistí	<u>64,065</u>	<u>(9,344,909)</u>

Tá an Ráiteas ar Pholasaithe Cuntasaíochta agus nótaí 1-23 agus Sceidil I – V1 ina gcuid de na ráitis airgeadais.

Cathaoirleach: Michael Kelly

Rúnaí: Tom Boland

Dáta: 29.06.05

Dáta: 29.06.05

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AN tÚDARÁS UM ARD-OIDEACHAS

Year Ended 31st December 2004

Notes to The Financial Statements

	2004 €	2003 €
1. Oireachtas Grants		
Recurrent Grants	644,249,953	638,939,039
Capital Grants	19,996,841	12,587,705
Research Grants	85,279,129	53,271,847
Administration Grants	5,219,000	4,801,000
IRCHSS Grants	582,000	580,900
IRCSET Grants	600,000	620,000
Access Office Grants	<u>560,882</u>	<u>165,000</u>
	<u>756,487,805</u>	<u>710,965,491</u>
2. Chest Receipts	<u>61,398 3</u>	<u>9,697</u>
3. Interest Earned		
Recurrent	1,358	3,231
Capital	1,167	606
Research	3,671	5,549
Administration	<u>1,102</u>	<u>1,725</u>
Total	<u>7,298</u>	<u>11,111</u>
3A. Other Income		
Department of Health & Children - Undergraduate Medical Study	108,850	0
Department of Education & Science - PRTLII Impact Assessment	257,000	170,441
- DG Conference	40,853	0
European Project Financing	<u>83,379</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>490,082</u>	<u>170,441</u>

These amounts are contributions towards the costs which are disclosed in note 5 under Education Research and Development.

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AN tÚDARÁS UM ARDOIDEACHAS

An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2004

Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2004 €	2003 €
1. Deontais Oireachtais		
Deontais Athfhillteachaa	644,249,953	638,939,039
Deontais Caipitil	19,996,841	12,587,705
Deontais Taighde	85,279,129	53,271,847
Deontais Riaracháin	5,219,000	4,801,000
Deontais CTEDES	582,000	580,900
Deontais CTEEIT	600,000	620,000
Deontais Rochtana Oifige	<u>560,882</u>	<u>165,000</u>
	<u>756,487,805</u>	<u>710,965,491</u>
2. CFáltais Chest	<u>61,398 3</u>	<u>9,697</u>
3. Ús Tuillte		
Athfhillteacha	1,358	3,231
Caipitil	1,167	606
Taighde	3,671	5,549
Riarachán	<u>1,102</u>	<u>1,725</u>
Iomlán	<u>7,298</u>	<u>11,111</u>
3A. Ioncam Eile		
Roinn Sláinte agus Leanáí - Staidéar Fochéime Leighis	108,850	0
An Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta - Measúnú Tionchair PRTLÍ	257,000	170,441
- Comhdháil DG	40,853	0
Maoiniú Thogra Eorpach	<u>83,379</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>490,082</u>	<u>170,441</u>

Ranníocaíochtaí is ea na meideanna seo i dtreo na gcostas atá nochtaithe i nóta 5 faoi Thaighde agus Forbairt Oideachais.

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Year Ended 31st December 2004

Notes to The Financial Statements continued

	2004 €	2003 €
4. Recurrent Grant Payments		
Grants to Universities and designated institutions	633,031,440	634,844,712
Access Office Grants	11,427,319	3,828,704
Chest Payments	<u>49,218</u>	<u>326,886</u>
	<u>644,507,977</u>	<u>639,000,302</u>
5. Administration Overheads		
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	2,301,875	1,923,575
Superannuation	42,312	44,365
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	141,046	132,268
Foreign	65,051	91,324
Salary Recoupment	<u>314,423</u>	<u>286,865</u>
	<u>2,864,707</u>	<u>2,478,397</u>
Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Light and Heating	23,579	16,742
Maintenance	125,028	137,737
Rent and Insurance	727,734	771,513
Depreciation	<u>316,483</u>	<u>314,780</u>
	<u>1,192,824</u>	<u>1,240,772</u>
General Administration Costs		

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An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2004

Ag leanúint le Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2004 €	2003 €
4. Íocaíochtaí Athfhillteacha Deontais		
Deontais d'Ollscoileanna agus institiúidí sainithe	633,031,440	634,844,712
Deontais Oifige Rochtana	11,427,319	3,828,704
Íocaíochtaí Chest	<u>49,218</u>	<u>326,886</u>
	<u>644,507,977</u>	<u>639,000,302</u>
5. Forchostais Riaracháin		
Costais Foirne		
Tuarastail agus Pánna	2,301,875	1,923,575
Aoisliúntas	42,312	44,365
Costais Taistil agus Cothaithe:		
Ag Baile	141,046	132,268
Eachtrach	65,051	91,324
Aisghabháil Tuarastail	<u>314,423</u>	<u>286,865</u>
	<u>2,864,707</u>	<u>2,478,397</u>
Áitribh - Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Soilsíú agus Téamh	23,579	16,742
Cothabháil	125,028	137,737
Cíos agus Árachas	727,734	771,513
Dímheas	<u>316,483</u>	<u>314,780</u>
	<u>1,192,824</u>	<u>1,240,772</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		

Office Expenses	162,317	161,381
Postage and Telephone	82,188	62,053
Accountancy Fees	0	0
Bank Charges	425	1,271
Information Technology	47,890	82,980
Staff Development	21,506	16,389
Audit Fees	13,000	10,250
Miscellaneous	<u>5,238</u>	<u>2,627</u>
	<u>332,564</u>	<u>336,951</u>
Education Research and Development		
Publications	150,742	165,616
Seminars	77,304	25,798
Research and Survey Fees	753,000	1,031,154
Grants to Universities, Colleges and designated Institutions towards the Expenses of Careers and Appointments Services	<u>30,550</u>	<u>33,281</u>
	<u>1,011,596</u>	<u>1,255,849</u>
Members fees	<u>103,557</u>	<u>100,513</u>
Total	<u>5,505,248</u>	<u>5,412,482</u>

Costais Oifige	162,317	161,381
Postas agus Teileafón	82,188	62,053
Táillí Cuntasóireachta	0	0
Táillí Bainc	425	1,271
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	47,890	82,980
Forbairt Foirne	21,506	16,389
Táillí Iniúchta	13,000	10,250
Ilnithe	<u>5,238</u>	<u>2,627</u>
	<u>332,564</u>	<u>336,951</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	150,742	165,616
Seimineáir	77,304	25,798
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhéireachta	753,000	1,031,154
Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus institiúidí sainithe i dtreo		
Costais seirbhísí Gairme agus Ceapachán	<u>30,550</u>	<u>33,281</u>
	<u>1,011,596</u>	<u>1,255,849</u>
Táillí na mBall	<u>103,557</u>	<u>100,513</u>
Iomlán	<u>5,505,248</u>	<u>5,412,482</u>

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Year Ended 31st December 2004

Notes to The Financial Statements continued

	2004 €	2003 €
6. IRCHSS Overheads		
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	201,088	168,996
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	3,903	12,857
Foreign	<u>25,582</u>	<u>18,919</u>
	<u>230,573</u>	<u>200,772</u>
Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Depreciation	8,740	11,762
Rent and Insurance	35,223	35,224
Maintenance	<u>3,364</u>	<u>3,363</u>
	<u>47,327</u>	<u>50,349</u>
General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	15,032	9,986
Bank Charges	95	252
Information Technology	7,612	4,331
Postage and Telephone	13,657	3,428
Staff Development	9,725	124
Accountancy Fees	<u>4,800</u>	<u>1,200</u>
	<u>50,921</u>	<u>19,321</u>
Education Research and Development		
Publications	2,700	6,165
Research and Survey Fees	6,634	32,046
ESF Membership and Networks	39,513	25,568
Seminars	0	10,770
Assessors Expenses	186,521	131,117
Council Members' Expenses	<u>20,000</u>	<u>32,850</u>
	<u>255,368</u>	<u>238,516</u>
European Projects	<u>88,551</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>672,740</u>	<u>508,958</u>

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AN tÚDARÁS UM ARDOIDEACHAS

An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2004

Ag leanúint le Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2004 €	2003 €
6. Forchostais CTEDES		
Costais Foirne		
Tuarastail agus Pánna	201,088	168,996
Costais Taistil agus Cothaithe:		
Ag Baile	3,903	12,857
Eachtrach	<u>25,582</u>	<u>18,919</u>
	<u>230,573</u>	<u>200,772</u>
Áitribh - Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Dímheas	8,740	11,762
Cíos agus Árachas	35,223	35,224
Cothabháil	<u>3,364</u>	<u>3,363</u>
	<u>47,327</u>	<u>50,349</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	15,032	9,986
Táillí Bainc	95	252
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	7,612	4,331
Postas agus Teileafón	13,657	3,428
Forbairt Foirne	9,725	124
Táillí Cuntasóireachta	<u>4,800</u>	<u>1,200</u>
	<u>50,921</u>	<u>19,321</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	2,700	6,165
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhéireachta	6,634	32,046
Ballraíocht agus Greasáin CSE	39,513	25,568
Seimineáir	0	10,770
Costais Measúnóirí	186,521	131,117
Costais na mBall Comhairle	<u>20,000</u>	<u>32,850</u>
	<u>255,368</u>	<u>238,516</u>
Tograí Eorpacha	<u>88,551</u>	<u>0</u>
Iomlán	<u>672,740</u>	<u>508,958</u>

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Year Ended 31st December 2004

Notes to The Financial Statements continued

	2004 €	2003 €
7. IRCSET OVERHEADS		
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	201,300	168,259
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	17,782	6,659
Foreign	<u>7,042</u>	<u>5,733</u>
	<u>226,124</u>	<u>180,651</u>
Premises - Upkeep and Overheads		
Depreciation	109,734	94,814
Rent and Insurance	35,223	35,224
Maintenance	<u>3,364</u>	<u>3,363</u>
	<u>148,321</u>	<u>133,401</u>
General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	9,212	4,231
Bank Charges	30	30
Information Technology	24,481	17,286
Postage and Telephone	2,830	4,176
Staff Development	6,910	0
Accountancy Fees	<u>4,800</u>	<u>1,235</u>
	<u>48,263</u>	<u>26,958</u>
Educational Research and Development		
Publications	975	10,670
Research and Survey Fees	111,876	147,067
ESF Membership and Networks	16,534	13,600
Assessors Expenses	37,175	28,884
Quality Initiatives	2,150	65,938
Seminars	<u>82,019</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>250,729</u>	<u>266,159</u>
Total	<u>673,437</u>	<u>607,169</u>

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An Bhliain dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2004

Ag leanúint le Nótaí leis na Ráitis Airgeadais

	2004 €	2003 €
7. FORCHOSTAIS CTEEIT		
Costais Foirne		
Tuarastail agus Pánna	201,300	168,259
Costais Taistil agus Cothaithe:		
Ag Baile	17,782	6,659
Eachtrach	<u>7,042</u>	<u>5,733</u>
	<u>226,124</u>	<u>180,651</u>
Áitribh - Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Dímheas	109,734	94,814
Cíos agus Árachas	35,223	35,224
Cothabháil	<u>3,364</u>	<u>3,363</u>
	<u>148,321</u>	<u>133,401</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	9,212	4,231
Táillí Bainc	30	30
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	24,481	17,286
Postas agus Teileafón	2,830	4,176
Forbairt Foirne	6,910	0
Táillí Cuntasóireachta	<u>4,800</u>	<u>1,235</u>
	<u>48,263</u>	<u>26,958</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	975	10,670
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhéireachta	111,876	147,067
Ballraíocht agus Greasáin CSE	16,534	13,600
Costais Measúnóirí	37,175	28,884
Tionscnaimh Cáilíochta	2,150	65,938
Seimineáir	<u>82,019</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>250,729</u>	<u>266,159</u>
Iomlán	<u>673,437</u>	<u>607,169</u>

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	2004 €	2003 €
7A. ACCESS OFFICE OVERHEADS		
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	342,770	0
Travel and Subsistence Expenses:		
Home	10,373	0
Foreign	<u>2,346</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>355,489</u>	<u>0</u>
Premises – Upkeep and Overheads		
Depreciation	0	0
Rent and Insurance	48,650	0
Maintenance	<u>5,670</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>54,320</u>	<u>0</u>
General Administration Costs		
Office Expenses	8,465	0
Bank Charges	0	0
Information Technology	324	0
Postage and Telephone	2,809	0
Staff Development	2,845	0
Accountancy Fees	<u>3,000</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>17,443</u>	<u>0</u>
Education Research and Development		
Publications	46,006	0
Research and Survey Fees	26,179	0
Seminars	<u>29,647</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>101,832</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>529,084</u>	<u>0</u>

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	2004 €	2003 €
7A. FORCHOSTAIS ROCHTANA OIFIGE		
Costais Foirne		
Tuarastail agus Pánna	342,770	0
Costais Taistil agus Cothaithe:		
Ag Baile	10,373	0
Eachtrach	<u>2,346</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>355,489</u>	<u>0</u>
Áitribh - Cothabháil agus Forchostais		
Dímheas	0	0
Cíos agus Árachas	48,650	0
Cothabháil	<u>5,670</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>54,320</u>	<u>0</u>
Costais Ghinearálta Riaracháin		
Costais Oifige	8,465	0
Táillí Bainc	0	0
Teicneolaíocht Faisnéise	324	0
Postas agus Teileafón	2,809	0
Forbairt Foirne	2,845	0
Táillí Cuntasóireachta	<u>3,000</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>17,443</u>	<u>0</u>
Taighde agus Forbairt Oideachais		
Foilseacháin	46,006	0
Táillí Taighde agus Suirbhéireachta	26,179	0
Seimineáir	<u>29,647</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>101,832</u>	<u>0</u>
Iomlán	<u>529,084</u>	<u>0</u>

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	2004 €	2003 €
8. Capital Reserve		
Balance at 1 January	1,352,039	1,544,445
Grants Allocated for Capital Purposes		
IRCHSS/IRCSET Grant	64,766	90,538
Oireachtas Grant	<u>169,772</u>	<u>138,412</u>
	234,538	228,950
Net Book Value of Disposals	<u>(9,614)</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>224,924</u>	<u>228,950</u>
	1,576,963	1,773,395
Less		
Amount released to Income		
IRCHSS/IRCSET Depreciation	(118,474)	(106,576)
Oireachtas Depreciation	<u>(316,483)</u>	<u>(314,780)</u>
	<u>(434,957)</u>	<u>(421,356)</u>
Balance at 31 December	<u>1,142,006</u>	<u>1,352,039</u>

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	2004 €	2003 €
8. Cúlchiste Caipitil		
larmhéid ar an 1ú Eanáir	1,352,039	1,544,445
Deontais Leithdháilte do Chúramaí Caipitil		
Deontas CTEDES/CTEEIT	64,766	90,538
Deontas Oireachtais	<u>169,772</u>	<u>138,412</u>
	234,538	228,950
Glanluach Leabhar na nDíúscairt	<u>(9,614)</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>224,924</u>	<u>228,950</u>
	1,576,963	1,773,395
Lúide		
Méid scaoilte chuig Ioncam		
Dímheas CTEDES/CTEEIT	(118,474)	(106,576)
Dímheas Oireachtais	<u>(316,483)</u>	<u>(314,780)</u>
	<u>(434,957)</u>	<u>(421,356)</u>
larmhéid ag 31ú Nollaig	<u>1,142,006</u>	<u>1,352,039</u>

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	Furniture & Equipment €	Computer Equipment €	2004 Total €	2003 Total €
9. FIXED ASSETS				
Cost				
Cost or Valuation at 1 January 2004	1,842,340	1,037,997	2,880,337	2,679,423
Additions during the year	31,206	138,566	169,772	138,412
Disposals during the year	(29,779)	(106,960)	(136,739)	(28,036)
IRCHSS/IRCSET Additions	<u>0</u>	<u>64,766</u>	<u>64,766</u>	<u>90,538</u>
	<u>1,843,767</u>	<u>1,134,369</u>	<u>2,978,136</u>	<u>2,880,337</u>
Depreciation				
Balance at 1 January 2004	743,330	784,968	1,528,298	1,134,978
Charge for the year	184,430	132,053	316,483	314,780
Less Depreciation on Disposals	(20,165)	(106,960)	(127,125)	(28,036)
IRCHSS/IRCSET Depreciation	<u>910</u>	<u>117,564</u>	<u>118,474</u>	<u>106,576</u>
	<u>908,505</u>	<u>927,625</u>	<u>1,836,130</u>	<u>1,528,298</u>
Net Book Value at 31 December 2004	<u>935,262</u>	<u>206,744</u>	<u>1,142,006</u>	<u>1,352,039</u>
Net Book Value at 31 December 2003	<u>1,099,010</u>	<u>253,029</u>	<u>1,352,039</u>	<u>1,544,445</u>

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	Troscán & Trealaimh €	Trealaimh Ríomhaire €	Iomlán 2004 €	Iomlán 2003 €
9. SÓCMHAINNÍ SEASTA				
Costas				
Costas nó Luacháil ar an 1ú Eanáir	1,842,340	1,037,997	2,880,337	2,679,423
Breiseanna i gcaitheamh na bliana	31,206	138,566	169,772	138,412
Díúscairtí i gcaitheamh na bliana	(29,779)	(106,960)	(136,739)	(28,036)
Breiseanna CTEDES/CTEEIT	0	64,766	64,766	90,538
	<u>1,843,767</u>	<u>1,134,369</u>	<u>2,978,136</u>	<u>2,880,337</u>
Dímheas				
Iarmhéid ar an 1ú Eanáir	743,330	784,968	1,528,298	1,134,978
Táille don bhliain	184,430	132,053	316,483	314,780
Lúide Dímheas ar Dhiúscairtí	(20,165)	(106,960)	(127,125)	(28,036)
Dímheas CTEDES/CTEEIT	910	117,564	118,474	106,576
	<u>908,505</u>	<u>927,625</u>	<u>1,836,130</u>	<u>1,528,298</u>
Glanluach Leabhar ar an 31ú Nollaig 2004	<u>935,262</u>	<u>206,744</u>	<u>1,142,006</u>	<u>1,352,039</u>
Glanluach Leabhar ar an 31ú Nollaig 2003	<u>1,099,010</u>	<u>253,029</u>	<u>1,352,039</u>	<u>1,544,445</u>

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	2004 €	2003 €
10. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS		
HEA Prepayments	419,433	510,876
IRCHSS Prepayments	39,510	37,868
IRCSET Prepayments	<u>27,382</u>	<u>69,361</u>
	<u>486,325</u>	<u>618,105</u>
11. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS		
Socrates/Erasmus	94,884	94,884
Accruals		
- General	994,557	1,206,582
- Recurrent	280,724	71,724
Research Grants Payable	5,937,769	8,239,173
Access Grants Payable	<u>5,831,433</u>	<u>3,828,704</u>
	<u>13,139,367</u>	<u>13,441,067</u>

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	2004 €	2003 €
10. FÉICHIÚNAITHE AGUS RÉAMHÍOCAÍOCHTAÍ		
Réamhíocaíochtaí ÚAO	419,433	510,876
Réamhíocaíochtaí CTEDES	39,510	37,868
Réamhíocaíochtaí CTEEIT	<u>27,382</u>	<u>69,361</u>
	<u>486,325</u>	<u>618,105</u>
11. CREIDIÚNAITHE AGUS FABHRUITHE		
Socrates/Erasmus	94,884	94,884
Fabhruithe		
- Ginearálta	994,557	1,206,582
- Athfhillteacha	280,724	71,724
Deontais Taighde Iníochta	5,937,769	8,239,173
Deontais Rochtana Iníochta	<u>5,831,433</u>	<u>3,828,704</u>
	<u>13,139,367</u>	<u>13,441,067</u>

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	2004 €	2003 €
12. GENERAL RESERVE		
Balance 1 January		
Administration and General Expenses	15,225	113,173
Recurrent Grants	290,468	308,803
Capital Grants	49,979	50,260
Research Initiative	101,798	51,532
IRCHSS	118,504	39,740
IRCSET	79,930	57,883
Access Office	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	655,904	621,391
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		
Administration and General Expenses	277,882	(97,948)
Recurrent Grants	(195,268)	(18,335)
Capital Grants	(493)	(281)
Research Initiative	147,156	50,266
IRCHSS	(15,729)	78,764
IRCSET	(11,361)	22,047
Access	<u>31,798</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>233,985</u>	<u>34,513</u>
Balance 31 December		
Administration and General Expenses Account	293,107	15,225
Recurrent Grants	95,200	290,468
Capital Grants	49,486	49,979
Research Initiative	248,954	101,798
IRCHSS	102,775	118,504
IRCSET	68,569	79,930
Access	<u>31,798</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>889,889</u>	<u>655,904</u>

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	2004 €	2003 €
12. CÚLCHISTE GHINEARÁLTA		
Iarmhéid ar an 1ú Eanáir		
Riarachán agus Costais Ghinearálta	15,225	113,173
Deontais Athfhillteacha	290,468	308,803
Deontais Chaipitil	49,979	50,260
Tionscnamh Taighde	101,798	51,532
CTEDES	118,504	39,740
CTEEIT	79,930	57,883
Oifig Rochtana	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	655,904	621,391
 Barrachas/(Easnamh) don bhliain		
Riarachán agus Costais Ghinearálta	277,882	(97,948)
Deontais Athfhillteacha	(195,268)	(18,335)
Deontais Chaipitil	(493)	(281)
Tionscnamh Taighde	147,156	50,266
CTEDES	(15,729)	78,764
CTEEIT	(11,361)	22,047
Rochtain	<u>31,798</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>233,985</u>	<u>34,513</u>
 Iarmhéid 31ú Nollaig		
Cuntas Riaracháin agus Costais Ghinearálta	293,107	15,225
Deontais Athfhillteacha	95,200	290,468
Deontais Chaipitil	49,486	49,979
Tionscnamh Taighde	248,954	101,798
CTEDES	102,775	118,504
CTEEIT	68,569	79,930
Rochtain	<u>31,798</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>889,889</u>	<u>655,904</u>

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13. OIREACTHAS GRANTS

The Oireachtas grants received by the Authority in 2004 and their classification by purpose were as follows:

Vote	Administration €	Recurrent €	Capital €	Research €
Third Level and Further Education	5,219,000	644,249,953	19,996,841	85,279,129

14. COMBINED HIGHER EDUCATION SOFTWARE TEAM (CHEST)

CHEST refers to a purchasing agreement operated by Irish Universities which enables individual colleges to benefit from the economies of bulk purchasing of computer software. The HEA collects subscriptions from each college and forwards such amounts to University of Limerick which has been contracted to undertake the running of CHEST. Payments to University of Limerick in the year are included in that College's Recurrent Grant.

15. SOCRATES PROGRAMME - EU

The HEA is the national agency in Ireland for the EU funded Socrates programme.

a) ERASMUS GRANTS SCHEME

This scheme provides grants for transnational student mobility with the member states of the EU, covering a period between three and twelve months. To be eligible a person must be a fully registered student pursuing a full time course in an approved third level institution.

Funding is received from the EU and paid out to the Universities and Colleges on an academic year basis. Allocations to Universities and Colleges for the 2003/2004 and 2004/2005 academic years were €1,625,965 and €1,918,772 respectively.

Unexpended amounts are refundable to the EU at the end of each academic year.

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13. DEONTAIS OIREACHTAIS

Is iad seo a leanas na deontais Oireachtais a fuair an tÚdarás i 2004 agus an rangú de réir a bhfeidhm:

Vóta	Riaracháin	Athfhillteach	Caipitil	Thaighde
	€	€	€	€
Tríú Leibhéal agus Breisoideachas	5,219,000	644,249,953	19,996,841	85,279,129

14. COMHFHOIREANN BOGEARRAÍ ARDOIDEACHAIS (CHEST)

Is é atá i gceist le CHEST ná comhaontú ceannaigh atá á fheidhmiú ag Ollscoileanna Éireannacha a thugann seans do choláistí indibhidiúla tairbhe a bhaint as bhuntáistí bogearraí ríomhairechta a cheannach ar an mórchoír. Baillíonn an ÚAO suibscríbhinní ó gach coláiste agus seolann ar aghaidh na suimeanna sin chuig Ollscoil Luimnigh atá ar conradh chun CHEST a stiúradh. Tá íocaíochtaí chuig Ollscoil Luimnigh i rith na bliana cuimsithe i nDeontas Athfhillteach an Choláiste sin.

15. CLÁR SOCRATES – AE

Is é an tÚAO an áisíneacht náisiúnta in Éirinn do Chlár Socrates, atá cistithe ag an AE.

a) SCÉIM DEONTAIS ERASMUS

Déanann an scéim seo deontais a sholáthar do shoghluaiseacht trasnáisiúnta mac léinn idir bhallstáit an AE, ag clúdach tréimhse ama idir trí agus dhá mhí dhéag. D'fhonn a bheith i dteideal seo caithfidh duine a bheith ina mhac léinn cláraithe i mbun cúrsa lánaimseartha in institiúid faofa tríú leibhéal.

Faightear cistíocht ón AE agus íoctar leis na hOllscoileanna agus leis na Coláistí é ar bhonn bliana acadúil. Is iad seo a leanas na leithdháiltí a déanadh d'Ollscoileanna agus do Choláistí dos na blianta acadúla 2003/2004 agus 2004/2005, €1,625,965 agus €1,918,772 faoi seach.

Aisíoctar méideanna gan chaitheamh leis an AE ag deireadh gach bliain acadúil.

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At 31 December 2004, an amount of €147,439 was refundable to the EU in respect of academic years up to 2003/2004. For the academic year 2004/2005 the amount, if any, refundable to the EU will be established on finalisation of all claims.

	2004	2003
	€	€
Balance 1 January	524,642	338,553
INCOME		
Grant	2,027,152	1,898,302
Bank Interest	<u>298</u>	<u>282</u>
	<u>2,552,092</u>	<u>2,237,137</u>
LESS		
EXPENDITURE		
Grants to Universities, Colleges and designated institutions(See Schedule V)	1,918,772	1,625,965
Bank Charges	0	0
Refund to EU	<u>77,963</u>	<u>86,530</u>
	<u>1,996,735</u>	<u>1,712,495</u>
Balance 31 December	<u>555,357</u>	<u>524,642</u>

b) PROMOTION OF ERASMUS GRANTS SCHEME

A once-off programme funding of €109,616 was received from the EU in 1996 to run an information programme on the Erasmus grants scheme. The balance of €94,884 is treated as deferred income and included in Creditors and may be refundable in whole or in part to the EU.

16. ORTELIUS DATABASE

The Higher Education Authority has been designated as the Irish partner for the development of a database of higher education courses available in Irish Universities and Colleges, which will be included in an overall database being developed on higher education at a European level.

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Ar an 31ú Nollaig 2004, bhí suim de €147,439 inaisíoctha leis an AE i leith na mblianta acadúla suas go dtí 2003/2004. Don bhliain acadúil 2004/2005 beidh an méid, má tá aon mhéid ann, a bheidh inaisíoctha leis an AE bunaithe ar chríochnú gach éilimh.

	2004	2003
	€	€
Iarmhéid ar an 1ú Eanáir	524,642	338,553
IONCAM		
Deontas	2,027,152	1,898,302
Ús Bainc	<u>298</u>	<u>282</u>
	<u>2,552,092</u>	<u>2,237,137</u>
LÚIDE		
CAITEACHAS		
Deontais d'Ollscoileanna, Coláistí agus d'institiúidí sainithe (Féach Sceideal V)	1,918,772	1,625,965
Táillí Bainc	0	0
Aisíoc leis an AE	<u>77,963</u>	<u>86,530</u>
	<u>1,996,735</u>	<u>1,712,495</u>
Iarmhéid ag 31ú Nollaig	<u>555,357</u>	<u>524,642</u>

b) CUR CHUN CINN SCÉIM DEONTAIS ERASMUS

Fuarthas clár cistíochta aon uaire de €109,616 ón AE i 1996 chun clár eolais a reáchtáil maidir le scéim deontais Erasmus. Déiláiltear leis an iarmhéid de €94,884 mar ioncam iarchurtha agus cuimsítear é i gCreidiúnaithe agus is féidir é a bheith inaisíoctha go hiomlán nó ina chuid leis an AE.

16. BUNACHAR SONRAÍ ORTELIUS

Sainíodh an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas ina pháirtneir Éireannach chun bunachar sonraí de chúrsaí atá ar fáil in Ollscoileanna agus i gColáistí na hÉireann a fhorbairt, agus Cuimseofar iad i mbunachar sonraí foriomlán ar ardoideachas atá á fhorbairt ar leibhéal Eorpach.

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17. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The amount of capital commitments under contract and approved by the Authority at 31 December, 2004 amounted to €116,813,984 (2003- €44,300,379). Commitments not under contract but approved by the Authority are estimated at €176,766,567 at 31 December, 2004 (2003- €269,799,958).

18. TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE

The travel and subsistence expenses of members of the Authority are included under the heading staff costs.

19. OPERATING LEASE

Premises at Marine House are held under a 25 year tenancy agreement from March 1997 at an annual cost of €233,637 with a five year review. The rent was reviewed in 2002. Premises at Brooklawn are held under two separate tenancy agreements.

The first floor is held under a 25 year agreement from May 2001 with a 5 year review at an annual cost of €520,593

The ground floor is held under a 25 year agreement from November 2001 with a 5 year review at an annual cost of €322,513. This floor is totally sublet to HEAnet Limited.

20. HEAnet Ltd

This company was incorporated on 12 November, 1997. The company is limited by guarantee and the Higher Education Authority is an ordinary member of the company. The company provides internet services to subscriber higher educational and research Institutions. There was an accumulated surplus of €923,735 on the company's activities as at 31 December 2004.

21. POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

The total expenditure on this scheme in the year was €3,535,832 which was paid out of the Research Initiatives Account.

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17. TIOMANTAIS CHAIPITIL

Ba é méid na dtiomantas caipitil a bhí faoi chonradh agus faofa ag an Údarás ar an 31ú Nollaig, 2004 ná €116,813,984 (2003- €44,300,379). Is é an meastachán do thiomantais nach bhfuil faoi chonradh ach atá faofa ag an Údarás ná €176,766,567 ar an 31ú Nollaig, 2004 (2003 - €269,799,958).

18. TAISTEAL AGUS COTHÚ

Tá costais taistil agus cothaithe na mball Údaráis cuimsithe faoin teideal costais foirne.

19. LÉAS OIBRITHE

Tá áitribh ag Marine House faoi chomhaontú tionóntachta 25 bliain ó Mhárta 1997 ag costas bliantúil de €233,637 le hathbhreithniú chúig bliana. Déanadh athbhreithniú ar an gcíos i 2002. Tá áitribh ag Brooklawn faoi dhá chomhaontú tionóntachta ar leith.

Tá an chéad urlár faoi chomhaontú 25 bliana ó Bhealtaine 2001 le hathbhreithniú 5 bliana ar chostas bliantúil de €520,593

Tá urlár na talún faoi chomhaontú 25 bliana ó Mhí na Samhana 2001 le hathbhreithniú 5 bliana ar chostas bliantúil de €322,513. Tá an t-urlár seo foligithe le HEAnet Limited.

20. HEAnet Ltd

Déanadh an chuideachta seo a chorprú ar an 12ú Mí na Samhana, 1997. Tá an comhlacht faoi theorainn ráthaíochta agus tá an tÚdarás um Ardoideachas ina ghnáthbhall den chomhlacht. Déanann an chuideachta seirbhísí idirlín a sholáthar d'institiúidí rannpháirtithe ardoideachais agus taighde. Bhí barrachas charnac de €923,735 ar ghníomhaíochtaí na cuideachta ar an 31ú Nollaig 2004.

21. SCÉIM ÁNRACHTA IARDHOCHTÚIREACHTA

Ba é an caiteachas iomlán ar an scéim seo sa bhliain ná €3,535,832, a íodadh as an gCuntas Tionscnaimh Taighde.

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22. SUPERANNUATION

Composition of the scheme

The Higher Education Authority (HEA) operates an unfunded defined benefit pension scheme.

For accounting periods ending on or after 1 January 2005, Financial Reporting Standard (FRS17) will require financial statements to reflect at fair market value the assets and liabilities arising from an employer's obligations and any related funding and to recognise the costs of providing superannuation benefits in the accounting periods in which they are earned by employees. As a transitional measure for accounting periods ending on or after 22 June 2001, the Standard requires that the present value of scheme liabilities be disclosed as a note to the accounts.

An actuarial valuation was carried out as at 31st December 2004 by a qualified independent actuary to take account of the requirements of FRS17. As an unfunded scheme there is no actual fund of assets backing the accrued liabilities. In accordance with the transitional arrangements for the introduction of FRS17 the following information is given by way of note only.

	At year-end 31/12/2004	At year-end 31/12/2003
Rate of increase in salaries	4.00%	4.00%
Rate of increase of pensions in payment	3.50%	3.50%
Discount rate	4.80%	5.25%
Inflation assumption	2.25%	2.25%
	€000's	€000's
Actuarial value of liability	<u>(7,340)</u>	<u>(5,121)</u>
Recoverable surplus/(deficit) in scheme	<u>(7,340)</u>	<u>(5,121)</u>
Related deferred tax asset/(liability)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net pension asset/(liability)	<u>(7,340)</u>	<u>(5,121)</u>

The following shows the effect on the financial statements had the provisions of FRS17 been implemented in full:

Analysis of the amount which would be charged to operating profit

	Year to 31/12/2004 €000's	Year to 31/12/2003 €000's
Service cost (net of employee contributions)	225	140
Past service cost	-	-
(Gains)/Losses on Settlement and Curtailments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Operating charge	<u>225</u>	<u>140</u>

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22. AOISLIÚNTAS

Comhdhéanamh na scéime

Tá scéim pinsin sochair sainithe neamhchistithe á fheidmiú ag an Údarás um Ardoideachas (ÚAO).

Do thréimhsí cuntasáochta dar críoch an 1ú Eanáir 2005, éileoidh an Caighdeán Tuarascála Airgeadais (FRS17) ráitis airgeadais chun luach cóir margaidh na sócmhainní agus na ndliteanas a eascrann ó dhualgais an fhostóra a léiriú chomh maith le haon chistíocht ghaolmhar agus na costais ar shochair aoisliúntais a sholáthar sna tréimhsí cuntasáochta ina dtuilleann fostaithe iad a aithint. Ina bheartas idirthréimhseach do thréimhsí cuntasáochta a chríochnaíonn ar nó tar éis 22ú Meitheamh 2001, éilíonn an Caighdeán go nochtfaí luach láithreach na ndliteanas scéime ina nóta leis na cuntais.

Dhéan achtúire cáilithe neamhspleách luacháil achtúireach ar an 31ú Nollaig 2004 chun riachtanais an FRS17 a chuimsiú. Toisc gur scéim neamhchistithe atá ann níl aon chiste sócmhainní ag tacú na dliteanais fhabhráithe. Ag teacht le socruithe idirthréimhseacha chun an FRS17 a thabhairt isteach tugtar an t-eolas seo a leanas trí nóta amháin.

	Ag deireadh na bliana 31/12/2004	Ag deireadh na bliana 31/12/2003
Ráta an mhéadaithe i dtuarastail	4.00%	4.00%
Ráta an mhéadaithe i bpinsin atá á n-foc	3.50%	3.50%
Ráta lascaine	4.80%	5.25%
Bonn Tuisceana Boilscithe	2.25%	2.25%
	€000's	€000's
Luach achtúireach an dliteanais	<u>(7,340)</u>	<u>(5,121)</u>
Barrachas/(easnamh) in-aisghabhála sa scéim	<u>(7,340)</u>	<u>(5,121)</u>
Iarchur gaolmhar sócmhainn //(dliteanas) cánach	-	-
Glan sócmhainn //(dliteanas) pinsin	<u>(7,340)</u>	<u>(5,121)</u>

Taispeántear thíos an éifeacht a bheadh ar na ráitis airgeadais dá mbeadh soláthairtí FRS17 curtha i bhfeidhm go hiomlán:

Anailís den mhúirear a chuirfí leis an mbrabús oibriúcháin

	Bliain ar Bhliain go 31/12/2004 €000's	Bliain ar Bhliain go 31/12/2003 €000's
Costas seirbhíse (glan-ranníocaíochtaí na bhfostaithe)	225	140
Costas seanseirbhíse	-	-
(Gnóthachain)/Cailteanais ar Shocraíocht agus ar Chiorrúcháin	-	-
Múirear iomlán Oibriúcháin	<u>225</u>	<u>140</u>

Analysis of net return on pension scheme which would be included in operating profit

	Year to 31/12/2004	Year to 31/12/2003
	€000's	€000's
Expected return on pension scheme assets	-	-
Interest on pension liabilities	<u>(256)</u>	<u>(248)</u>
Net return	<u>(256)</u>	<u>(248)</u>

Analysis of amount which would be recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses (STRGL)

	Year to 31/12/2004	Year to 31/12/2003
	€000's	€000's
Actual return less expected return on assets	-	-
Experience gains and losses on liabilities	(1,208)	(18)
Changes in assumptions	<u>(899)</u>	<u>(239)</u>
Actuarial gain/(loss) recognised in STRGL	<u>(2,107)</u>	<u>(257)</u>

Movement in deficit during the year

	Year to 31/12/2004	Year to 31/12/2003
	€000's	€000's
Deficit in scheme at beginning of year	(5,121)	(4,508)
Movement in year:		
(Current service cost)	(225)	(140)
Employer Contributions	369	32
(Past service costs)	-	-
(Loss on Settlements and Curtailments)	-	-
Other finance income	(256)	(248)
Actuarial gain/(loss)	<u>(2,107)</u>	<u>(257)</u>
Deficit in scheme at end of year	<u>(7,340)</u>	<u>(5,121)</u>

History of experience gains and losses

	2004	2003
Experience gains and losses on scheme liabilities:		
Amount (€)	(1,208)	(18)
Percentage of scheme liabilities	(16.5%)	0.4%
Total amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses:		
Amount (€)	(2,107)	(257)
Percentage of scheme liabilities	(28.7%)	(5.0%)

23. The financial accounts were approved by the Board on 22nd February 2005.

Anailís ar ghlantoradh ar scéim phinsin a bheadh cuimsithe i mbrabús oibríocháin

	An bhliain go 31/12/2004	An bhliain go 31/12/2003
	€000's	€000's
Toradh ionchais ar shócmhainní scéime pinsin	-	-
Ús ar dhliteanais phinsin	<u>(256)</u>	<u>(248)</u>
Glatoradh	<u>(256)</u>	<u>(248)</u>

Anailís ar an méid a aithneofaí i ráiteas an iomlán gnóthachain agus cailteanais aitheanta (STRGL)

	An bhliain go 31/12/2004	An bhliain go 31/12/2003
	€000's	€000's
Toradh iarbhír lúide toradh ionchais ar shócmhainní	-	-
Taithí gnóthachain agus cailteanais ar dhliteanais	(1,208)	(18)
Athruithe i mboinn tuisceana	<u>(899)</u>	<u>(239)</u>
Gnóthachan/(cailteanas) achtúireach aitheanta sa STRGL	<u>(2,107)</u>	<u>(257)</u>

Gluaiseacht i nEasnamh i gcaitheamh na bliana

	An bhliain go 31/12/2004	An bhliain go 31/12/2003
	€000's	€000's
Easnamh sa scéim ag tús na bliana	(5,121)	(4,508)
Gluaiseacht sa bhliain:		
(Costas reatha seirbhíse)	(225)	(140)
Ranníocaíochtaí Fostóra	369	32
(Costais seanseirbhíse)	-	-
(Cailteanas ar Shocraíochtaí agus ar Chiorrúcháin)	-	-
Ioncam eile airgeadais	(256)	(248)
Gnóthachan/(cailteanas) achtúireach	<u>(2,107)</u>	<u>(257)</u>
Easnamh sa scéim ag deireadh na bliana	<u>(7,340)</u>	<u>(5,121)</u>

Stair ar thaithí gnóthachain agus cailteanais

	2004	2003
Taithí gnóthachain agus cailteanais ar dhliteanais scéime:		
Méid (€)	(1,208)	(18)
Céatadán de dhliteanais scéime	(16.5%)	0.4%
Méid iomlán aitheanta i ráiteas an iomlán gnóthachain agus cailteanais aitheanta:		
Méid (€)	(2,107)	(257)
Céatadán de dhliteanais scéime	(28.7%)	(5.0%)

23. Rinne an Bord faomhadh ar na cuntais airgeadais ar an 22ú Feabhra 2005.

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Summary of All Grants 2004

SCHEDULE I

		Recurrent Grants	Capital Grants	Erasmus Grants	Research Grants	Access Grants	2004 Total	2003 Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
National University of Ireland	12,697					12,697	12,697	
University College, Dublin	152,942,246	7,562,858	321,236	15,529,502	1,030,328	177,386,170	166,014,467	
University College Cork	100,937,986	5,449,142	221,960	9,292,159	1,278,994	117,180,241	108,783,890	
National University of Ireland, Galway	77,125,368	5,000	210,230	9,088,964	350,616	86,780,178	82,449,543	
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	37,089,982		43,220	2,928,678	455,366	40,517,246	41,450,146	
Trinity College Dublin	107,781,672	2,316,701	203,235	22,161,625	1,064,249	133,527,482	121,477,198	
Dublin City University	45,571,700	397,401	177,787	6,779,945	622,965	53,549,798	52,979,537	
University of Limerick	62,369,500	2,177,080	185,192	3,228,877	532,382	68,493,031	64,898,380	
National College of Art and Design	11,037,948	421,177	61,086	22,222	81,305	11,623,738	11,425,557	
Royal Irish Academy	2,998,326					2,998,326	2,988,325	
Mary Immaculate College	14,168,420	453,393	40,280	69,700	13,380	14,745,173	14,939,956	
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	15,336,610	18,366	19,703	82,633	1,621	15,458,933	16,030,872	
Athlone Institute of Technology	24,000		8,733	111,197	574,942	718,872	146,531	
Blanchardstown Institute of Technology			21,720	38,050	147,907	207,677	17,547	
Institute of Technology, Carlow			27,508	140,451	63,305	231,264	199,919	
Cork Institute of Technology	40,000		22,497	236,133	147,036	445,666	155,347	
Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies				1,292,909		1,292,909	555,612	
Dublin Institute of Technology			132,838	1,110,850	96,357	1,340,045	1,743,573	
Dundalk Institute of Technology	22,500		41,180	57,000	20,027	140,707	59,635	
Dunlaoghaire Institute of Technology				57,000	155,759	212,759	57,000	
Galway – Mayo Institute of Technology			38,092	70,550	404,026	512,668	77,189	
Letterkenny Institute of Technology			1,160	38,100	264,587	303,847	50,792	
Limerick Institute of Technology	30,000		10,179	23,812	87,070	151,061	41,076	
Institute of Technology, Sligo	18,000		26,104	268,690	212,320	525,114	298,559	
Institute of Technology, Tallaght			37,946	19,050	154,859	211,855	37,518	
Institute of Technology, Tralee			6,372	19,000	83,512	108,884	37,187	
Waterford Institute of Technology	16,500		29,288	646,994	457,791	1,150,573	845,486	
Froebel College of Education			9,802		14,105	23,907	7,744	
HEAnet	750,000			6,249,517		6,999,517	7,100,000	
Mater Dei Institute of Education	2,957,744		11,420		12,410	2,981,574	2,812,958	
National College of Ireland	49,000		6,674		9,713	65,387	130,411	
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	1,751,241	1,197,383		5,031,482	39,020	8,019,126	4,405,789	
St. Angelas College			2,212		9,452	11,664	1,530	
St. Catherine's College of Education for Home Economics			1,442			1,442	3,596	
Tipperary Institute of Technology			(324)		62,060	61,736	6,432	
St Patricks College Maynooth				12,700		12,700	25,400	
Marino Institute of Education				19,000		19,000	19,000	
UK Institutions				508,854	202,755	711,609		
Irish Institutions					764,147	764,147		
Pontifical University					12,953	12,953		
Area Development Management					2,000,000	2,000,000		
Total	633,031,440	19,998,501	1,918,772	85,135,644	11,427,319	751,511,676	702,286,399	

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Sceidil na Ráiteas Airgeadais don bhliain dar críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2004

Achoimre ar Gach Deontas i 2004

SCEIDEAL I

		Deontais Athfhillteacha	Deontais Caipitil	Deontais Erasmus	Deontais Taighde	Deontais Rochtana	Iomlán 2004	Iomlán 2003
		€	€	€	€	€	€	€
Ollscoil na hÉireann	12,697					12,697	12,697	
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	152,942,246	7,562,858	321,236	15,529,502	1,030,328	177,386,170	166,014,467	
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	100,937,986	5,449,142	221,960	9,292,159	1,278,994	117,180,241	108,783,890	
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	77,125,368	5,000	210,230	9,088,964	350,616	86,780,178	82,449,543	
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	37,089,982		43,220	2,928,678	455,366	40,517,246	41,450,146	
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	107,781,672	2,316,701	203,235	22,161,625	1,064,249	133,527,482	121,477,198	
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	45,571,700	397,401	177,787	6,779,945	622,965	53,549,798	52,979,537	
Ollscoil Luimnigh	62,369,500	2,177,080	185,192	3,228,877	532,382	68,493,031	64,898,380	
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	11,037,948	421,177	61,086	22,222	81,305	11,623,738	11,425,557	
Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann	2,998,326					2,998,326	2,988,325	
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál	14,168,420	453,393	40,280	69,700	13,380	14,745,173	14,939,956	
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	15,336,610	18,366	19,703	82,633	1,621	15,458,933	16,030,872	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain	24,000		8,733	111,197	574,942	718,872	146,531	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Baile Bhlainséir			21,720	38,050	147,907	207,677	17,547	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach			27,508	140,451	63,305	231,264	199,919	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí	40,000		22,497	236,133	147,036	445,666	155,347	
Institiúid Ard-Léinn Bhaile Átha Cliath				1,292,909		1,292,909	555,612	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath			132,838	1,110,850	96,357	1,340,045	1,743,573	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan	22,500		41,180	57,000	20,027	140,707	59,635	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Laoghaire				57,000	155,759	212,759	57,000	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe - Maigh Eo			38,092	70,550	404,026	512,668	77,189	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn			1,160	38,100	264,587	303,847	50,792	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh	30,000		10,179	23,812	87,070	151,061	41,076	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sligeach	18,000		26,104	268,690	212,320	525,114	298,559	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht			37,946	19,050	154,859	211,855	37,518	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí			6,372	19,000	83,512	108,884	37,187	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge	16,500		29,288	646,994	457,791	1,150,573	845,486	
Coláiste Oideachais Froebel			9,802		14,105	23,907	7,744	
HEAnet	750,000			6,249,517		6,999,517	7,100,000	
Institiúid Oideachais Mater Dei	2,957,744		11,420		12,410	2,981,574	2,812,958	
Ollscoil na hÉireann	49,000		6,674		9,713	65,387	130,411	
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá in Éirinn	1,751,241	1,197,383		5,031,482	39,020	8,019,126	4,405,789	
Coláiste Aingeal Naofa			2,212		9,452	11,664	1,530	
Coláiste Tís Chaitríona Naofa			1,442			1,442	3,596	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Thiobraid Árann			(324)		62,060	61,736	6,432	
Coláiste Phádraig, Má Nuad				12,700		12,700	25,400	
Coláiste Mhuire Marino				19,000		19,000	19,000	
Institiúidí An Ríocht Aontaithe				508,854	202,755	711,609		
Institiúidí Éireannacha					764,147	764,147		
Ollscoil Pontaifíuil					12,953	12,953		
Bainistíocht Forbartha Ceantair					2,000,000	2,000,000		
Iomlán	633,031,440	19,998,501	1,918,772	85,135,644	11,427,319	751,511,676	702,286,399	

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Recurrent Grant Expenditure

SCHEDULE II

Institution	Annual Grants	Minor Works Grant	Fee Recoupment	(A) Increased Intake	(B) Strategic Initiatives	(C) ITIF	(D) ITIF DEFE	2004 Total	2003 Total
€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
National University of Ireland	12,697							12,697	12,697
University College, Dublin (E)	107,206,748	200,000	41,277,048	2,588,000	1,556,000	28,250	86,200	152,942,246	154,182,938
University College Cork	62,553,000	200,000	32,453,986	4,335,000	1,270,000	126,000		100,937,986	100,695,356
National University of Ireland, Galway	45,295,140	100,000	27,269,708	2,949,000	1,342,000	169,520		77,125,368	77,146,439
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	22,280,000	50,000	12,790,682	1,006,000	793,000	170,300		37,089,982	36,422,966
Trinity College Dublin	75,217,000	200,000	28,171,727	2,282,000	1,280,000	630,945		107,781,672	109,630,684
Dublin City University	24,465,146	50,000	15,600,000	4,268,000	1,081,354	57,200	50,000	45,571,700	44,361,189
University of Limerick (F)	35,233,000	75,000	22,319,000	3,395,000	1,047,500	140,000	160,000	62,369,500	62,265,282
National College of Art and Design	8,746,000		2,057,448	58,000	118,000	58,500		11,037,948	11,316,933
Royal Irish Academy	2,998,326							2,998,326	2,988,325
Mary Immaculate College (G)	6,279,000		5,846,420	1,701,000	342,000			14,168,420	14,305,036
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra (G)	8,129,000		4,998,610	2,031,000	178,000			15,336,610	15,792,091
Mater Dei Institute (G)	2,110,000		841,244		6,500			2,957,744	2,797,716
HEAnet/Hither	750,000							750,000	850,000
Royal College of Surgeons			1,373,241	378,000				1,751,241	1,723,757
Athlone Institute of Technology							24,000	24,000	15,000
Institute of Technology Sligo							18,000	18,000	75,000
National College Ireland							49,000	49,000	110,000
Cork Institute of Technology							40,000	40,000	40,000
Dundalk Institute of Technology							22,500	22,500	27,000
Waterford Institute of Technology							16,500	16,500	30,000
Limerick Institute of Technology							30,000	30,000	19,500
Institute of Technology Carlow								0	36,803
Total	401,275,057	875,000	194,999,114	24,991,000	9,014,354	1,380,715	496,200	633,031,440	634,844,712

Notes

- (n) The increased intake heading includes funding in respect of the Post Graduate Skills Conversion Programme and the increase in the number of students in areas where particular manpower shortages have been identified e.g. ICT, Education, and the Health Sector.
- (o) Strategic initiatives include the following: Improved Access/ Disadvantaged/Mature Students/Travellers and Refugees €5,215,354, Irish €1,100,000, Progression €165,000, Student Retention €934,000, Support for Teaching €800,000, Technology in Higher Education €800,000.
- (p) This refers to the Information Technology Investment Fund.
- (q) This funding is provided to the Information Technology Investment Fund by the Department of Enterprise Trade & Employment (National Training Fund)
- (r) Included in the UCD annual grant is €120,000 paid to AHEAD (Association for Higher Education Access and Disability).
- (s) Included in the UL annual grant is €1,224,000 paid to the National Coaching and Training Centre on behalf of the Department of Arts, Sport and Tourism.
- (t) Mary Immaculate College is paid through the University of Limerick, St. Patrick's College Drumcondra and Mater Dei Institute are paid through Dublin City University.

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Caiteachas Deontais Athfhillteach

SCEIDEAL II

	Deontais Bhliamóla	Deontas um Mhionúineachas	Aisghabháil Táilí	Méadú Ionógála	Tionscnaimh Straitéiseacha	ITIF	ITIF DE TE	Iomlán 2004	Iomlán 2003
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
Institiúid									
Ollscoil na hÉireann	12,697							12,697	
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath (E)	107,206,748	200,000	41,277,048	2,588,000	1,556,000	28,250	86,200	152,942,246	154,182,938
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	62,553,000	200,000	32,453,986	4,335,000	1,270,000	126,000		100,937,986	100,695,356
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	45,295,140	100,000	27,269,708	2,949,000	1,342,000	169,520		77,146,439	
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	22,280,000	50,000	12,790,682	1,006,000	793,000	170,300		37,089,982	36,422,966
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	75,217,000	200,000	28,171,727	2,282,000	1,280,000	630,945		107,781,672	109,630,684
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	24,465,146	50,000	15,600,000	4,268,000	1,081,354	57,200	50,000	45,571,700	44,361,189
Ollscoil Luimnigh (F)	35,233,000	75,000	22,319,000	3,395,000	1,047,500	140,000	160,000	62,369,500	62,265,282
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	8,746,000		2,057,448	58,000	118,000	58,500		11,037,948	11,316,933
Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann	2,998,326							2,998,326	2,988,325
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál (G)	6,279,000		5,846,420	1,701,000	342,000			14,168,420	14,305,036
Coláiste Phiátraig, Droim Conrach (G)	8,129,000		4,998,610	2,031,000	178,000			15,336,610	15,792,091
Institiúid Mater Dei (G)	2,110,000		841,244		6,500			2,957,744	2,797,716
HEAne/Híber	750,000							750,000	850,000
Coláiste Ríoga na Máineá			1,373,241	378,000			24,000	1,751,241	1,723,757
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain							18,000	18,000	75,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sligeach							49,000	49,000	110,000
Ollscoil na hÉireann							40,000	40,000	40,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí							22,500	22,500	27,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan							16,500	16,500	30,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge							30,000	30,000	19,500
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach									
Iomlán	401,275,057	875,000	194,999,114	24,991,000	9,014,354	1,380,715	496,200	633,031,440	634,844,712

Nótaí

- (n) Cuirsiinn an tdeial Méadú Ionógála na cistíochta i leith an Chláir Iarchéime Maíochta Scileanna agus an méadú ar líon na mac léinn i gceantair ar aithníodh go bhfuil ganntanais daonchumhachta iontu e.g. TEC, Oideachas, agus an Eanáil Síáinte.
- (o) I measc na dtionscnaimh Straitéiseacha tá siad seo a leanas: Feabhsú Rochtana/ Mic Léinn faoi Míbhuntáiste/Mic Léinn Lárfhásta / Lucht Siúil agus Teifigh €5,215,354, Gaeilge €1,100,000, Dul chun cinn €165,000, Coirneáil na Mac Léinn €934,000, Tacaíocht do Mhúinteoiracht €800,000, Teicneolaíocht in Ardoideachas €800,000.
- (p) Tagraim seo don Chiste Inneistíochta um Theicneolaíocht Faisnéise.
- (q) Déantar soláthar ar an gcríocht seo don Chiste Inneistíochta um Theicneolaíocht Faisnéise ag an Roinn Fiontar Trádála agus Fostalochta (Ciste Náisiúnta Traenála)
- (r) Tá €120,000 curimsithe i ndeontas bliantúil COBAC a iocair le AHEAD (Cumann um Rochtain agus Míchumas don Ardoideachas).
- (s) Cuirimsithe i ndeontas bliantúil Ollscoil Luimnigh tá €1,224,000 a iocair leis an Ionad Náisiúnta Oiliúna agus Traenála thar ceann an Roinn Ealaíne, Spóirt agus Turasóireachta.
- (t) Iocair Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál trí Ollscoil Luimnigh, Iocair Coláiste Phiátraig Droim Conrach agus Institiúid Mater Dei trí Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath.

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Capital Grants 2004

SCHEDULE III

	Building Grants	Equipment Grants	Maintenance Grants	2004 Total	2003 Total
	€	€	€	€	€
Institution					
University College, Dublin	7,562,858			7,562,858	3,350,066
University College Cork	5,449,141			5,449,142	583,614
National University of Ireland, Galway	5,000			5,000	108,073
National University of Ireland, Maynooth					2,658,120
Trinity College Dublin	2,316,701			2,316,701	493,711
Dublin City University	397,401			397,401	4,264,292
University of Limerick	2,059,658	117,422		2,177,080	331,947
National College of Art and Design	421,177			421,177	
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	18,366			18,366	117,205
Mary Immaculate College	453,393			453,393	490,260
Royal College of Surgeons	1,197,383			1,197,383	191,304
Total	19,881,078	117,422		19,998,501	12,588,592

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Deontais Chaipitil 2004

SCEIDEAL III

	Deontais Tógála	Deontais Trealaimh	Deontais Cothabhála	Iomlán 2004	Iomlán 2003
	€	€	€	€	€
Institiúid					
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	7,562,858			7,562,858	3,350,066
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	5,449,141			5,449,142	583,614
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	5,000			5,000	108,073
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad					2,658,120
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	2,316,701			2,316,701	493,711
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	397,401			397,401	4,264,292
Ollscoil Luimnigh	2,059,658	117,422		2,177,080	331,947
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	421,177			421,177	
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	18,366			18,366	117,205
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál	453,393			453,393	490,260
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá	1,197,383			1,197,383	191,304
Iomlán	19,881,078	117,422		19,998,501	12,588,592

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Research Initiative Grant Expenditure

SCHEDULE IV

Institution	PRTL Recurrent & Transport Programme	Des Post Doctoral Fellowship	Media Lab Europe	JRCSET Research Schemes	JRCSS Research Schemes	North South	PRTL Building Grants	PRTL Equipment Grants	2004 Total	2003 Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
University College, Dublin	2,783,666		312,962	2,696,505	1,562,813	755,786	5,340,797	2,076,973	15,529,502	8,211,288
University College Cork	3,609,046			1,899,585	999,916	639,500	1,631,048	513,064	9,292,159	7,350,247
National University of Ireland, Galway	3,194,784	4,232	108,500	1,796,050	980,432		2,007,497	997,469	9,088,964	4,996,381
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	241,679	(18,412)	141,771	710,099	1,007,866	61,500	784,175		2,928,678	2,349,033
Trinity College Dublin	3,783,939		551,586	2,535,605	1,795,138	556,000	6,348,718	6,590,639	22,161,625	11,166,022
Dublin City University	2,446,574		41,500	1,292,614	249,794	378,898	1,488,688	881,876	6,779,945	4,222,044
University of Limerick	563,362		4,331	1,678,571	388,267	86,400	507,946		3,228,877	2,111,301
Royal College of Surgeons	2,669,363			243,178		96,000	1,730,789	292,152	5,031,482	2,490,728
Athlone Institute of Technology	92,197				19,000				111,197	129,000
Cork Institute of Technology	50,000			186,133					236,133	84,360
Dublin Institute of Technology	337,442			46,310	71,300		644,484	11,314	1,110,850	1,641,767
Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies	645,000			99,909				548,000	1,292,909	555,612
Dundalk Institute of Technology					57,000				57,000	19,000
Dunlaoghaire Institute of Technology					57,000				57,000	57,000
Galway - Mayo Institute of Technology				70,550					70,550	60,848
Institute of Technology, Blanchardstown				19,050	19,000				38,050	4,763
Institute of Technology, Carlow	1,16,638			23,813					140,451	134,763
Institute of Technology, Tallaght				19,050					19,050	10,763
Institute of Technology, Tralee					19,000				19,000	38,000

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Caiteachas ar Dheontas Tionscnaimh Thaighde

SCEIDEAL IV

	Clár Athrilleach agus Iompair PRTL		Ámacht Iardhochtúireachta ROE	Media Lab Europe		Scéimeanna Taighde CTEEIT		Scéimeanna Taighde CTEDES		Thuaidh Theas		Deontais Tógála PRTL		Deontais Trealamh PRTL		Iomlán 2004		Iomlán 2003		
	€			€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	
Institiúid																				
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	2,783,666			312,962	2,696,505	1,562,813	755,786	5,340,797	2,076,973	15,629,502	8,211,288									
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	3,609,046				1,899,585	999,916	639,500	1,631,048	513,064	9,292,159	7,350,247									
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	3,194,784		4,232	108,500	1,796,050	980,432		2,007,497	997,469	9,088,964	4,996,381									
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Múscraig	241,679		(18,412)	141,771	710,099	1,007,866	61,500	784,175		2,928,678	2,349,033									
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	3,783,939			551,586	2,535,605	1,795,138	556,000	6,348,718	6,590,639	22,161,625	11,166,022									
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	2,446,574			41,500	1,292,614	249,794	378,898	1,488,688	881,876	6,779,945	4,222,044									
Ollscoil Luimnigh	563,362			4,331	1,678,571	388,267	86,400	507,946		3,228,877	2,111,301									
Coláiste Ríoga na Máine	2,669,363				243,178		96,000	1,730,789	292,152	5,031,482	2,490,728									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain	92,197					19,000				111,197	129,000									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí	50,000				186,133					236,133	84,360									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath	337,442				46,310	71,300		644,484	11,314	1,110,850	1,641,767									
Institiúid Aird-Léim Bhaile Átha Cliath	645,000				99,909				548,000	1,292,909	555,612									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan						57,000				57,000	19,000									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Laoghaire						57,000				57,000	57,000									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe - Maigh Eo						70,550				70,550	60,848									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Baile Bhlainséir						19,050				38,050	4,763									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach	116,638					23,813				140,451	134,763									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht						19,050				19,050	10,763									
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí						19,000				19,000	38,000									

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Research Initiative Grant Expenditure

SCHEDULE IV continued

Institution	PRTL Recurrent & Transport Programme	Des Post Doctoral Fellowship	Media Lab Europe	IRCSSET Research Schemes	IRCHSS Research Schemes	North South	PRTL Building Grants	PRTL Equipment Grants	2004 Total	2003 Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
Institute of Technology, Sligo	215,000						53,690		268,690	185,000
Letterkenny Institute of Technology				38,100					38,100	23,813
Limerick Institute of Technology				23,812					23,812	38,100
Waterford Institute of Technology	490,000			87,313	19,000		50,681		646,994	792,293
HEAnet								6,249,517	6,249,517	6,250,000
National College of Art and Design					22,222				22,222	44,445
Mary Immaculate College					69,700				69,700	114,050
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra			41,125		41,508				82,633	98,029
St. Patrick's College, Maynooth					12,700				12,700	25,400
Marino Institute of Education					19,000				19,000	19,000
Mater Dei Institute of Education										4,080
Queen's University Belfast						508,854			508,854	
Total	21,238,690	(14,180)	1,201,775	13,466,247	7,410,656	3,082,939	20,588,513	18,161,004	85,135,644	53,227,130

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Caiteachas ar Dheontas Tionscnaimh Thaighde

SCEIDEAL IV ar lean

	PRTL Recurrent & Transport Programme	Des Post Doctoral Fellowship	Media Lab Europe	IRCSSET Research Schemes	IRCHSS Research Schemes	North South	PRTL Building Grants	PRTL Equipment Grants	2004 Total	2003 Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
Institiúid										
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sli Geach	215,000						53,690		268,690	185,000
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitr Ceanaínn				38,100					38,100	23,813
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luinnigh				23,812					23,812	38,100
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge	490,000			87,313	19,000		50,681		646,994	792,293
HEAnet								6,249,517	6,249,517	6,250,000
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha					22,222				22,222	44,445
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál					69,700				69,700	114,050
Coláiste Phódraig, Droim Conrach			41,125		41,508				82,633	98,029
Coláiste Phódraig, Má Nuad					12,700				12,700	25,400
Coláiste Mhuire Maríno					19,000				19,000	19,000
Institiúid Oideachais Mater Dei										4,080
Ollscoil na Banríona, Béal Feirste						508,854			508,854	
Iomlán	21,238,690	(14,180)	1,201,775	13,466,247	7,410,656	3,082,939	20,588,513	18,161,004	85,135,644	53,227,130

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Socrates - Erasmus Grants 2004

SCHEDULE V

Institution	2004 Total	2003 Total
	€	€
University College, Dublin	321,236	270,175
University College Cork	221,960	154,673
National University of Ireland, Galway	210,230	198,650
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	43,220	20,027
Trinity College Dublin	203,235	186,781
Dublin City University	177,787	132,012
University of Limerick	185,192	189,850
National College of Art And Design	61,086	64,179
Mary Immaculate College	40,280	30,610
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	19,703	23,547
Athlone Institute of Technology	8,733	2,531
Blanchardstown Institute of Technology	21,720	14,444
Institute of Technology, Carlow	27,508	26,853
Cork Institute of Technology	22,497	34,087
Dublin Institute of Technology	132,838	101,806
Dundalk Institute of Technology	41,180	13,635
Galway – Mayo Institute of Technology	38,092	16,341
Letterkenny Institute of Technology	1,160	5,819
Limerick Institute of Technology	10,179	2,976
Institute of Technology, Sligo	26,104	36,959
Tipperary Institute of Technology	(324)	6,432
Institute of Technology, Tallaght	37,946	26,755
Institute of Technology, Tralee	6,372	(813)
Waterford Institute of Technology	29,288	23,193
Froebel College of Education	9,802	7,744
Mater Dei Institute of Education	11,420	11,162
National College of Ireland	6,674	20,411
St. Angelas College	2,212	1,530
St. Catherine's College of Education for Home Economics	1,442	3,596
Total	1,918,772	1,625,965

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Sceidil leis na Ráitis Airgeadais don bhliain

dar Críoch an 31ú Nollaig 2004

Deontais Socrates - Erasmus 2004

SCEIDEAL V

Institiúid	2004 Iomlán	2003 Iomlán
	€	€
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	321,236	270,175
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	221,960	154,673
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	210,230	198,650
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	43,220	20,027
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	203,235	186,781
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	177,787	132,012
Ollscoil Luimnigh	185,192	189,850
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	61,086	64,179
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál	40,280	30,610
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	19,703	23,547
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain	8,733	2,531
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Baile Bhlainséir	21,720	14,444
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach	27,508	26,853
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí	22,497	34,087
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath	132,838	101,806
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan	41,180	13,635
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe - Maigh Eo	38,092	16,341
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn	1,160	5,819
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh	10,179	2,976
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sligeach	26,104	36,959
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Thiobraid Árann	(324)	6,432
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht	37,946	26,755
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí	6,372	(813)
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge	29,288	23,193
Coláiste Oideachais Froebel	9,802	7,744
Institiúid Oideachais Mater Dei	11,420	11,162
Ollscoil na hÉireann	6,674	20,411
Coláiste Aingeal Naofa	2,212	1,530
Coláiste Tís Chaitríona Naofa	1,442	3,596
Iomlán	1,918,772	1,625,965

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National Office For Equality Of Access To Higher Education

SCHEDULE V1

	Students With Disabilities	Student Assistance Fund	Millennium Partnership Fund	2004 Total	2003 Total
	€	€	€	€	€
National University of Ireland					
University College Dublin	250,834	779,494		1,030,328	
University College Cork	660,606	618,388		1,278,994	
National University of Ireland, Galway	178,854	171,762		350,616	
National University of Ireland, Maynooth	223,818	231,548		455,366	
Trinity College Dublin	433,984	630,265		1,064,249	
Dublin City University	319,892	303,073		622,965	
University of Limerick	133,436	398,946		532,382	
National College of Art and Design	71,476	9,829		81,305	
Royal Irish Academy					
Mary Immaculate College	13,380			13,380	
St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra	1,621			1,621	
Athlone Institute of Technology	396,103	178,839		574,942	
Blanchardstown Institute of Technology	100,763	47,144		147,907	
Institute of Technology, Carlow		63,305		63,305	
Cork Institute of Technology	69,665	77,371		147,036	
Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies					
Dublin Institute of Technology	96,357			96,357	
Dundalk Institute of Technology	18,650	1,377		20,027	
Dunlaoghaire Institute of Technology	97,556	58,203		155,759	
Galway – Mayo Institute of Technology	237,537	166,489		404,026	
Letterkenny Institute of Technology	201,472	63,115		264,587	
Limerick Institute of Technology	59,277	27,793		87,070	
Institute of Technology, Sligo	84,663	127,657		212,320	
Institute of Technology, Tallaght	31,378	123,481		154,859	
Institute of Technology, Tralee	61,484	22,028		83,512	
Waterford Institute of Technology	259,991	197,800		457,791	
Froebel College of Education		14,105		14,105	
HEAnet					
Mater Dei Institute of Education		12,410		12,410	
National College of Ireland	2,290	7,423		9,713	
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	39,020			39,020	
St. Angela's College		9,452		9,452	
St. Catherine's College of Education for Home Economics					
Tipperary Institute of Technology	50,553	11,507		62,060	
St. Patrick's College Maynooth					
Marino Institute of Education					
UK Institutions	202,755			202,755	
Irish Institutions	755,906	8,241		764,147	
Pontifical University		12,953		12,953	
Area Development Management			2,000,000	2,000,000	
Total	5,053,321	4,373,998	2,000,000	11,427,319	--

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	Mic Léinn le Míchumas	Ciste Cúnaimh Mic Léinn	Ciste Páirtnéireachta Mílaoise	Iomlán 2004	Iomlán 2003
	€	€	€	€	€
Ollscoil na hÉireann					
Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath	250,834	779,494		1,030,328	
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh	660,606	618,388		1,278,994	
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh	178,854	171,762		350,616	
Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad	223,818	231,548		455,366	
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath	433,984	630,265		1,064,249	
Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath	319,892	303,073		622,965	
Ollscoil Luimnigh	133,436	398,946		532,382	
An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha	71,476	9,829		81,305	
Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann					
Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál	13,380			13,380	
Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Conrach	1,621			1,621	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Luain	396,103	178,839		574,942	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Baile Bhlainséir	100,763	47,144		147,907	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Cheatharlach		63,305		63,305	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Chorcaí	69,665	77,371		147,036	
Institiúid Ard-Léinn Bhaile Átha Cliath					
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Bhaile Átha Cliath	96,357			96,357	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Dealgan	18,650	1,377		20,027	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Dhún Laoghaire	97,556	58,203		155,759	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Na Gaillimhe - Maigh Eo	237,537	166,489		404,026	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Leitir Ceanainn	201,472	63,115		264,587	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Luimnigh	59,277	27,793		87,070	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Sligeach	84,663	127,657		212,320	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Tamhlacht	31,378	123,481		154,859	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta, Trá Lí	61,484	22,028		83,512	
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Phort Láirge	259,991	197,800		457,791	
Coláiste Oideachais Froebel		14,105		14,105	
HEAnet					
Institiúid Oideachais Mater Dei		12,410		12,410	
Ollscoil na hÉireann	2,290	7,423		9,713	
Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá in Éirinn	39,020			39,020	
Coláiste Aingeal Naofa		9,452		9,452	
Coláiste Tís Chaitríona Naofa					
Institiúid Teicneolaíochta Thibraid Árann	50,553	11,507		62,060	
Coláiste Phádraig, Má Nuad					
Coláiste Mhuire Marino					
Institiúidí An Ríocht Aontaithe	202,755			202,755	
Institiúidí Éireannacha	755,906	8,241		764,147	
Ollscoil Pontaifiúil		12,953		12,953	
Bainistíocht Forbartha Ceantair			2,000,000	2,000,000	
Iomlán	5,053,321	4,373,998	2,000,000	11,427,319	--

The HEA has been producing detailed reports on student statistics in its designated institutions on an annual basis since 1974. It was the practice to include these reports in full in the HEA Annual Reports up to and including the academic year 1997/98. Since then, summary statistics with an accompanying commentary have been included in the published reports. A full set of detailed statistics relevant to each academic year is published on the HEA website (www.heai.ie), dating back to 1998/99.

The Authority is grateful for the continuing co-operation of the institutions in collecting and submitting their statistics. It is hoped that the information will be of use to those involved in planning, development and research in higher education.

The statistics that follow relate to the following institutions: the seven universities, two colleges of education, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick and St Patrick's College, Dublin, the National College of Art and Design (NCAD) and the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI). Mary Immaculate College, Limerick became an associate college of the University of Limerick in 1992/93 and St Patrick's College, Dublin became an associate college of Dublin City University in 1993/94. The figures detailed below refer, on the most part to the most recent academic year 2003/04 but also outline the increase in student numbers and the development of the student body over the two preceding academic years 2002/03 and 2001/02 and in comparison with trends noted in previous HEA Annual Reports.

This section provides information for each of the three years covered by the report on:

- Full-time enrolments
- New entrants by year to the HEA sector
- The age profile of the full-time student population and the age profile of new entrants to the sector by year of entry
- The place of origin by province of students domiciled in Ireland and the place of origin by continent of overseas students and
- The awards made

1. Student Enrolments in HEA-funded institutions

In 2003/04 there were 93,769 students enrolled in the following institutes of higher education funded by the HEA: University College Dublin; Trinity College Dublin; University College Cork; National University of Ireland Galway; National University of Ireland Maynooth; University of Limerick; Dublin City University; National College of Art and Design; Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland; Saint Patrick's College Dublin; and Mary Immaculate College Limerick. This number rose from 92,063 in the academic year 2002/03 and from 88,362 in 2001/02. Table 1 shows the overall student numbers in the HEA sector over these three academic years broken down by full and part-time students and the level at which these students were pursuing their education.

The overall increase in the number of students in the HEA sector as outlined below is due to the expansion of the number of places available and the number and type of courses made available by each of the institutions. Table 2 details the number of enrolments in each of the 11 institutions in the academic year

Tá an ÚAO ag foilsíú tuarascálacha sonraithe ar staitisticí mic léinn ina institiúidí sainithe ar bhonn bliantúil ó 1974. Bhí sé mar chleachtadh na tuarascálacha seo a chuimsiú go hiomlán i dTuarascálacha Bliantúla an ÚAO suas chomh fada le agus ag cuimsiú an bhliain acadúil 1997/98. Ó shin i leith, cuimsíodh staitisticí a choimre le tráchtareacht leis na tuarascálacha foilsithe. Tá tacar iomlán de staitisticí sonraithe ábhartha do gach bliain acadúil foilsithe ar shuíomh idirlín an ÚAO (www.heai.ie), siar chomh fada le 1998/99.

Tá an tÚdarás an-bhuíoch de chomhoibriú leanúnach na n-institiúidí chun a staitisticí a bhailliú agus a chur isteach. Táthar ag súil go mbeidh an t-eolas úsáideach dóibh siúd a bheidh páirteach i bpleanáil, forbairt agus taighde san ard oideachas.

Baineann na staitisticí atá anseo thíos leis na h-institiúidí seo a leanas: na seacht n-ollscoil, dhá choláiste oideachais, Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál, Luimneach agus Coláiste Phádraig, Baile Átha Cliath, an Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha (CNED) agus Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá in Éirinn (CRMÉ). I 1992/93 déanadh comhcholáiste d'Ollscoil Luimnigh de Choláiste Mhuire Gan Smál agus i 1993/94 déanadh comhcholáiste d'Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath de Choláiste Phádraig Mhá Nuad. Déanann na figiúirí sonraithe thíos, den chuid is mó, tagairt don bhliain acadúil is déanaí, 2003/04, ach léiríonn siad chomh maith an méadú i líon na mac léinn agus forbairt an chomhlachta mic léinn thar an dá bhliain acadúil roimhe sin 2002/03 agus 2001/02 agus i gcomparáid le treochtaí sonraithe i dTuarascálacha Bliantúla ÚAO.

Déanann an alt seo eolas a sholáthar ar gach ceann de na trí bliana atá clúdaithe ag an tuarascáil ar:

- Rolluithe lánaimseartha
- Iontrálaithe nua de réir na bliana in earnáil an ÚAO
- Próifíl aois an daonra lánaimseartha mac léinn agus próifíl aoise na nua iontrálaithe san an earnáil de réir na bliana iontrála
- Ceantar tionscnaimh de réir an chúige i gcás mac léinn sainchónaithe in Éirinn agus an ceantar tionscnaimh de réir mór-roinne i gcás mac léinn a tháinig ó thíortha iasachta agus
- Na Dámhachtainí a bronnadh

1. Rolluithe Mac Léinn in Institiúidí ÚAO-chistithe

I 2003/04 bhí 93,769 mac léinn rolluithe sna h-institiúidí ardoideachais seo a leanas, cistithe ag an ÚAO: Coláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath; Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath; Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh; Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gaillimh; Ollscoil na hÉireann, Má Nuad; Ollscoil Luimnigh; Ollscoil Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath; An Coláiste Náisiúnta Ealaíne is Deartha; Coláiste Ríoga na Máinleá in Éirinn; Coláiste Phádraig Baile Átha Cliath; agus Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál Luimneach. D'ardaigh an uimhir seo ó 92,063 i mbliain acadúil 2002/03 agus ó 88,362 i 2001/02. Taispeánann tábla 1 líon foriomlán na mac léinn san earnáil ÚAO thart ar na trí bliana acadúla seo briste síos de réir mac léinn lánaimseartha agus páirt-aimseartha agus an leibhéal ar a raibh na mic léinn seo ag saothrú a gcuid oideachais.

Is é an chúis atá leis an méadú foriomlán ar líon na mac léinn san earnáil ÚAO mar atá leagtha amach thíos ná fairsingiú ar líon na n-áiteanna ar fáil agus ar líon agus cinéal na gcúrsaí a cuireadh ar fáil ag gach ceann de na h-institiúidí. Sonraíonn tábla 2 líon na rolluithe i ngach ceann den aon cheann déag d'institiúidí sa bhliain acadúil.

2003/04 by type and level of study. This information is reproduced on the statistics page of the HEA website where the equivalent information relating to the 2002/03 and 2001/02 academic years can also be found.

Table 1: Total Enrolments by gender and by academic year in the HEA Sector									
Enrolments in HEA institutions									
YEAR	2003 / 04			2002 / 03			2001 / 2002		
Full-time enrolments	Totals		Grand Total	Totals		Grand Total	Totals		Grand Total
	M	F		M	F		M	F	
Undergraduate									
Degrees	25859	35603	61462	25159	34175	59334	24555	32839	57394
Diplomas & Certificates	171	1204	1375	229	2083	2312	301	2833	3134
Occasional ¹	532	1162	1694	462	1035	1497	375	901	1276
Undergraduate Total	26562	37969	64531	25850	37293	63143	25231	36573	61804
Postgraduate									
Ph. D.	1965	1697	3662	1650	1523	3173	1403	1284	2687
Masters (Research)	1297	1002	2299	1278	1019	2297	1096	865	1961
Masters (Taught)	2398	3049	5447	2074	2739	4813	1859	2375	4234
Postgraduate Dip. & Cert.	1099	2832	3931	1079	2705	3784	1086	2558	3644
Occasional	3	3	6	6	5	11	4	6	10
Postgraduate Total	6762	8583	15345	6087	7991	14078	5448	7088	12536
Full-time Total	33324	46552	79876	31937	45284	77221	30679	43661	74340
YEAR	2003 / 04			2002 / 03			2001 / 2002		
Part-time enrolments	Totals		Grand Total	Totals		Grand Total	Totals		Grand Total
	M	F		M	F		M	F	
Undergraduate									
Degrees	1080	2069	3149	1157	2324	3481	1087	1891	2978
Diplomas & Certificates	1250	1606	2856	1061	1788	2849	1179	1664	2843
Occasional	386	813	1199	394	780	1174	448	879	1327
Undergraduate Total	2716	4488	7204	2612	4892	7504	2714	4434	7148
Postgraduate									
Ph. D.	279	226	505	287	202	489	331	235	566
Masters (Research)	207	161	368	239	157	396	246	160	406
Masters (Taught)	1483	1503	2986	1260	1412	2672	1377	1349	2726
Postgraduate Dip. & Cert.	716	1528	2244	914	2215	3129	750	1788	2538
Occasional	177	409	586	183	469	652	203	435	638
Postgraduate Total	2862	3827	6689	2883	4455	7338	2907	3967	6874
Part-time Total	5578	8315	13893	5495	9347	14842	5621	8401	14022
OVERALL TOTAL	38902	54867	93769	37432	54631	92063	36300	52062	88362

¹Occasional students are mainly foreign students on one year or one term visiting exchange programmes, such as Junior Year Abroad (JYA) programmes for students from the United States. Students from abroad on European exchange programmes such as ERASMUS are not included in these figures. Occasional students also include students taking qualifying courses for admission to postgraduate study and students taking modules that do not necessarily lead to an award.

2003/04 de réir cineáil agus leibhéal staidéir Tá an t-eolas seo atáirgthe ar leathanach staidrimh shuíomh idirlín an ÚAO áit inar féidir teacht chomh maith ar a chomhshaghas eolais maidir leis na blianta acadúla 2002/03 agus 2001/02.

Tábla 1: Iomlán rollaithe de réir gnéis agus bliain acadúil san Earnáil ÚAO									
Rollaithe in institiúidí ÚAO									
Bliain	2003 / 04			2002 / 03			2001 / 2002		
Rollaithe lánaimseartha	Iomlán		Mór-iomlán	Totals		Mór-iomlán	Totals		Mór-iomlán
	F	B		F	B		F	B	
Fochéime									
Céimeanna	25859	35603	61462	25159	34175	59334	24555	32839	57394
Dioplómaí & Teastais	171	1204	1375	229	2083	2312	301	2833	3134
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Iarchéime									
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Máistreacht (Taighde)	1297	1002	2299	1278	1019	2297	1096	865	1961
Máistreacht (Múinte)	2398	3049	5447	2074	2739	4813	1859	2375	4234
Diop. & Teast. Iarchéime	1099	2832	3931	1079	2705	3784	1086	2558	3644
Ócáidíúil	3	3	6	6	5	11	4	6	10
Iomlán Iarchéime	6762	8583	15345	6087	7991	14078	5448	7088	12536
Iomlán Lánaimseartha	33324	46552	79876	31937	45284	77221	30679	43661	74340
BLIAIN	2003 / 04			2002 / 03			2001 / 2002		
Rollaithe Páirtaimseartha	Iomlán		Grand Total	Iomlán		Mór-iomlán	Iomlán		Mór-iomlán
	F	B		F	B		F	B	
Fochéime									
Céimeanna	1080	2069	3149	1157	2324	3481	1087	1891	2978
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Foinse: Tuarascáil Bhliantúil ÚAO, 2003/04, 2002/03 & 2001/02 ar fáil ar líne ag www.heai.ie

¹Den chuid is mó is mic léinn eachtracha ar chlár mhalairte aon bhliana nó aon téarma, leithéidí Bliain Shóisearach Thar Lear do mhic léinn ó na Stáit Aontaithe, iad na mic léinn ócáidíúla. Níl mic léinn ó thíortha thar lear ar chlár mhalairte mar ERASMUS san áireamh sna figiúir seo. Cuimsíonn mic léinn ócáidíúla chomh maith mic léinn ag gabháil do chúrsaí cáilíochta le hiontráil ar staidéar iarchéime agus mic léinn ag gabháil do mhodúil nach gá dámhachtain ina leith dóibh.

Source: HEA Annual Report, 2003/04, 2002/03 & 2001/02 Available online at www.heai.ie

Table 2: Enrolments by gender and by institution in the HEA Institutions - Academic Year 2003/04

Full-time enrolments		UCD		UCC		NUIG		TCD		NUIM		DCU		SPD		UL		MIC		RCSI		RCSI		Totals		Grand Total	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
UNDERGRADUATE																											
Degrees	5694	6640	4051	5962	3368	4772	3572	5882	1483	2408	2455	2377	255	1427	3710	3212	315	1646	237	499	719	778	25859	35603	61462		
Diplomas & Certificates	12	155	16	227	28	108	48	304	17	16	38	200	0	0	12	194	0	0	0	0	0	0	171	1204	1375		
Occasional	37	56	137	353	201	477	90	115	1	22	37	117	0	0	29	22	0	0	0	0	0	532	1162	1694			
Undergraduate Total	5743	6851	4204	6542	3597	5357	3710	6301	1501	2446	2650	2694	255	1427	3751	3428	315	1646	237	499	719	778	26562	37969	64531		
POSTGRADUATE																											
Ph. D.	506	444	274	248	256	265	368	329	165	140	130	75	0	0	185	117	22	8	7	2	52	69	1965	1697	3662		
Masters (Research)	227	179	159	136	42	42	351	343	53	42	179	92	0	0	238	105	17	24	26	33	5	6	1297	1002	2299		
Masters (Taught)	739	935	291	445	418	653	251	356	139	172	353	209	0	0	195	244	6	18	6	17	0	0	2398	3049	5447		
Postgraduate Dip. & Cert.	223	466	187	507	179	517	98	407	99	199	121	208	46	284	122	109	15	116	9	19	0	0	1099	2832	3931		
Occasional	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	6		
Postgraduate Total	1695	2024	911	1336	895	1477	1071	1438	456	553	783	584	46	284	740	575	60	166	48	71	57	75	6762	8583	15345		
Full-time Total	7438	8875	5115	7878	4492	6834	4781	7739	1957	2999	3313	3278	301	1711	4491	4003	375	1812	285	570	776	853	33324	46552	79876		
Part-time enrolments in HEA institutions in the academic year 2003/2004																											
Part-time enrolments		UCD		UCC		NUIG		TCD		NUIM		DCU		SPD		UL		MIC		RCSI		RCSI		Totals		Grand Total	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
UNDERGRADUATE																											
Degrees	404	744	130	336	50	245	268	376	24	37	122	127	0	0	77	173	0	0	5	8	0	23	1080	2069	3149		
Diplomas & Certificates	324	427	175	176	449	553	95	63	64	156	29	30	0	0	111	145	1	47	2	9	0	0	1250	1606	2856		
Occasional	167	244	18	28	15	9	18	69	48	169	7	33	0	0	113	261	0	0	0	0	0	0	386	813	1199		
Undergraduate Total	895	1415	323	540	514	807	381	508	136	362	158	190	0	0	301	579	1	47	7	17	0	23	2716	4488	7204		
POSTGRADUATE																											
Ph. D.	99	86	20	8	14	13	58	58	0	0	26	15	5	12	54	34	3	0	0	0	0	0	279	226	505		
Masters (Research)	49	46	29	28	27	16	36	35	1	0	13	14	0	2	50	19	2	1	0	0	0	0	207	161	368		
Masters (Taught)	387	308	76	118	166	170	269	387	49	34	357	172	34	106	128	123	6	37	0	0	11	48	1483	1503	2986		
Postgraduate Dip. & Cert.	170	760	65	96	6	28	174	214	18	26	191	166	3	23	77	146	7	39	0	2	5	28	716	1528	2244		
Occasional	76	34	1	8	0	0	100	367	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	177	409	586		
Postgraduate Total	781	1234	191	258	213	227	637	1061	68	60	587	367	42	143	309	322	18	77	0	2	16	76	2862	3827	6689		
Part-time Total	1676	2649	514	798	727	1034	1018	1569	204	422	745	557	42	143	610	901	19	124	7	19	16	99	5578	8315	13893		
OVERALL TOTAL	9114	11524	5629	8676	5219	7868	5799	9308	2161	3421	4058	3835	343	1854	5101	4904	394	1936	292	589	792	952	38902	54867	93769		

Foinse: Tuarascáil Bhliantúil ÚAO, 2002/03 & 2001/02 ar fáil ar líne ag www.heai.ie

Rólaithe léanamseartha in Institiúidí ÚAO sa bhliain acadúil 2003/2004		COBÁC		COC		OÉG		CTBÁC		OÉMN		OCBÁC		CPDC		OL		CMS		CRMÉ		CRMÉ		Iomláin		Mór-iomlán
		F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F
FOCHÉIME																										
Céimeanna	5694	6640	4051	5962	3368	4772	3572	5882	1483	2408	2455	2377	255	1427	3710	3212	315	1646	237	499	719	778	25859	35603	61462	
Dioplómaí & Teastais	12	155	16	227	28	108	48	304	17	16	38	200	0	0	12	194	0	0	0	0	0	0	171	1204	1375	
Ócáidíúil	37	56	137	353	201	477	90	115	1	22	37	117	0	0	29	22	0	0	0	0	0	532	1162	1694		
Iomlán Fochéime	5743	6851	4204	6542	3597	5357	3710	6301	1501	2446	2530	2694	255	1427	3751	3428	315	1646	237	499	719	778	26562	37969	64531	
IARCHÉIME																										
Ph. D.	506	444	274	248	256	265	368	329	165	140	130	75	0	0	185	117	22	8	7	2	52	69	1965	1697	3662	
Máistreacht (Taighde)	227	179	159	136	42	42	351	343	53	42	179	92	0	0	238	105	17	24	26	33	5	6	1297	1002	2299	
Máistreacht (Taighde)	739	935	291	445	418	653	251	356	139	172	353	209	0	0	195	244	6	18	6	17	0	0	2398	3049	5447	
Diop. & Teast. Iarchéime	223	466	187	507	179	517	98	407	99	199	121	208	46	284	122	109	15	116	9	19	0	0	1099	2832	3931	
Ócáidíúil	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	6	
Iomlán Iarchéime	1695	2024	911	1336	895	1477	1071	1438	456	553	783	584	46	284	740	575	60	166	48	71	57	75	6762	8583	15345	
Iomlán Léanamseartha	7438	8875	5115	7878	4492	6834	4781	7739	1957	2999	3313	3278	301	1711	4491	4003	375	1812	285	570	776	853	33324	46552	79876	
Rólaithe páirtaimseartha in Institiúidí ÚAO sa bhliain acadúil 2003/2004																										
Rólaithe páirtaimseartha		COBÁC		COC		OÉG		CTBÁC		OÉMN		OCBÁC		CPDC		OL		CMS		CRMÉ		CRMÉ		Iomláin		Mór-iomlán
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
FOCHÉIME																										
Céimeanna	404	744	130	336	50	245	268	376	24	37	122	127	0	0	77	173	0	0	5	8	0	23	1080	2069	3149	
Dioplómaí & Teastais	324	427	175	176	449	553	95	63	64	156	29	30	0	0	111	145	1	47	2	9	0	0	1250	1606	2856	
Ócáidíúil	167	244	18	28	15	9	18	69	48	169	7	33	0	0	113	261	0	0	0	0	0	0	386	813	1199	
Iomlán Fochéime	895	1415	323	540	514	807	381	508	136	362	158	190	0	0	301	579	1	47	7	17	0	23	2716	4488	7204	
IARCHÉIME																										
Ph. D.	99	86	20	8	14	13	58	58	0	0	26	15	5	12	54	34	3	0	0	0	0	0	279	226	505	
Máistreacht (Taighde)	49	46	29	28	27	16	36	35	1	0	13	14	0	2	50	19	2	1	0	0	0	0	207	161	368	
Máistreacht (Taighde)	387	308	76	118	166	170	269	387	49	34	357	172	34	106	128	123	6	37	0	11	48	1483	1503	2986		
Diop. & Teast. Iarchéime	170	760	65	96	6	28	174	214	18	26	191	166	3	23	77	146	7	39	0	2	5	28	716	1528	2244	
Ócáidíúil	76	34	1	8	0	0	100	367	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	177	409	586	
Iomlán Iarchéime	781	1234	191	258	213	227	637	1061	68	60	587	367	42	143	309	322	18	77	0	2	16	76	2862	3827	6689	
Iomlán Páirtaimseartha	1676	2649	514	798	727	1034	1018	1569	204	422	745	557	42	143	610	901	19	124	7	19	16	99	5578	8315	13893	
FORIOMLÁN	9114	11524	5629	8676	5219	7868	5799	9308	2161	3421	4058	3835	343	1854	5101	4904	394	1936	292	589	792	952	38902	54867	93769	

2. Growth in the sector since 1998/99

The expansion in the student population, detailed in previous HEA annual reports, continued over the five-year period from 1998/99 to 2003/04. The actual increase of 17,866 students on the 1998/99 academic year's figure represents an increase of 23.5% in enrolments. The student population has grown by almost 18,000 since 1998/9. While this may be somewhat lower than the rate of expansion seen during the period 1996/97 to 2001/2002 at 30%, this expansion is from a larger starting base than that of 1996/97. In fact, the rate of increase in student enrolments has slowed from 6.4% between 2000/01-2001/02 to 4% between 2001/02 and 2002/03 and to 2% between 2002/03 and 2003/04, as can be seen from the Table 3 below.

Year on Year Increase	N	%
02/03 to 03/04	1706	2%
01/02 to 02/03	3701	4.2%
00/01 to 01/02	5300	6.4%
99/00 to 00/01	3022	3.8%
98/99 to 99/00	4137	5%

15% of all enrolments in 2003/04 were part-time students, a slight rise from 14% in the previous academic year, which was a drop from 16% in 2001/2002. The growth in the proportion of postgraduate enrolments since 1998/99 continued into 2003/04 with postgraduates making up 23% of all enrolments. In 2003/04, males accounted for 41% of all enrolments, representing the same gender profile as seen in the previous two academic years' enrolment figures.

Enrolments on primary degree courses accounted for 69% of enrolments in 2003/04, a rise of 1% on the previous year. The proportion was also 68% in 2001/02. This is still short of the corresponding 1998/99 percentage which showed that students pursuing a course leading to a Primary Degree (both full and part-time) made up 71% of student numbers.

Enrolments on postgraduate degrees accounted for 16% of the student body, an increase of 1% on the previous year. Postgraduate diplomas and certificates and undergraduate diplomas and certificates accounted for 7% and 5% respectively. Four per cent of enrolments were occasional students.

Of the 15,317 postgraduate degree enrolments 4,120 (27%) were studying for a PhD award, while the remaining 11,197 were pursuing either a Research or Taught Masters qualification. There was an increase of 1,502 full-time PhD students between 1998/99 and 2002/2003, an increase of 70.7% over these five academic years. Similarly there was an increase of 12.5% in the numbers pursuing a PhD on a part-time basis over these five years.

2. Fás san earnáil ó 1998/99

Leanadh den bhforleathadh ar dhaonra na mac léinn, a tuairiscíodh i dtuarascálacha bliantúla an ÚAO roimhe seo, sa tréimhse chúig bliana ó 1998/99 go 2003/04. Is ionann an méadú de 17,866 mac léinn ar fhiigiúr na bliana acadúil 1998/99 agus méadú de 23.5% ar na rollaithe. Tá daonra na mac léinn méadaithe de 18,000 geall leis ó 1998/9. Cé go bhféadfadh an chuma a bheith air go bhfuil seo níos ísle ná an ráta a bhí ann sa tréimhse 1996/97 go 2001/2002 ar 30%, thosaigh an méadú seo ó bhonn níos mó ná bonn tosaithe 1996/97. Dáiríre, tá an ráta méadaithe ar rollaithe maolaithe ó 6.4% idir 2000/01-2001/02 go 4% idir 2001/02 agus 2002/03 agus go 2% idir 2002/03 agus 2003/04, mar a fheictear ar Thábla 3 thíos.

Tábla 3: Méadú ar Rollaithe Mac Léinn 1998/99 go 2003/04		
Méadú Bliain ar Bhliain	N	%
02/03 to 03/04	1706	2%
01/02 to 02/03	3701	4.2%
00/01 to 01/02	5300	6.4%
99/00 to 00/01	3022	3.8%
98/99 to 99/00	4137	5%

Ba mhic léinn páirtaimseartha 15% de na rollaithe uile i 2003/04, ardú beag ar 14% sa bhliain acadúil roimhe sin, arbh ísliú é ar 16% i 2001/2002. Lean an fás ar rollaithe iarchéime mar chion den iomlán ó 1998/99 i 2003/04 nuair b'ionann rollaithe iarchéime agus 23% na rollaithe uile i 2003/04, fireannaigh ab ea 41% de na rollaithe uile, ionann agus an próifíl chéanna gnéis agus a bhí sna figiúirí rollaithe don dá bhliain acadúil roimhe sin.

Rollaithe ar chúrsaí do bhunchéimeanna ab ea 69% de na rollaithe i 2003/04, ardú de 1% ar an mbliain roimhe sin. B'é 68% an cion i 2001/02 chomh maith. Tá seo fós níos lú ná a chomhchéatadán i 1998/99 a léirigh gurbh ionann líon na mac léinn a bhí ag gabháil de Bhunchéim (lán agus páirtaimseartha araon) agus 71% de líon iomlán na mac léinn.

B'ionann rollaithe ar chéimeanna iarchéime agus 16% de chuallacht na mac léinn, méadú de 1% ar an mbliain roimhe sin. Diplómaí agus teastais iarchéime agus diplómaí agus teastais fochéime ab ea 7% agus 5% faoi seach. Ba mhic léinn ócáidiúla ceathair faoin gcéad de na rollaithe.

Den 15,317 rollú iarchéime bhí 4,120 (27%) ag déanamh staidéir ar dhámhachtain PhD, agus bhí an 11,197 eile ag gabháil do Thaighde nó do cháilíocht Máistreacht Múinte. Tharla méadú 1,502 ar líon na mac léinn lánaimseartha PhD dir 1998/99 agus 2002/2003, méadú de 70.7% thar na cúig bliana acadúla sin. Mar a chéile tharla méadú de 12.5% i líon na ndaoine a bhí ag gabháil do PhD ar bhonn páirtaimseartha thar na cúig bliana sin.

3. New Entrants

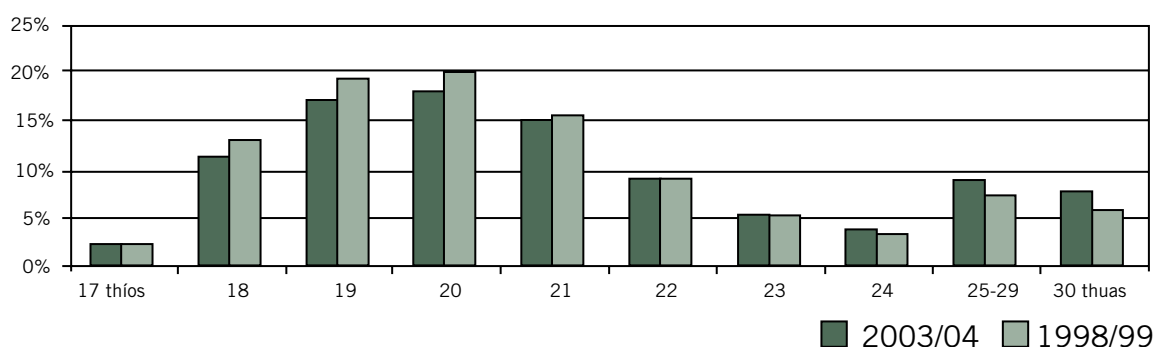
In HEA institutions a total of 18,017 students entered year 1 of a full-time undergraduate third-level course for the first time in 2003/04 (Table 4). This is an increase of 658 on the previous year, a larger increase than in either of the two previous years and more in line with the increase from 2000/01 to 2001/02. This represents an overall increase of 11% in the number of new entrants over the period from 1998/99.

In each academic year since 2000/01 males have accounted for just 40% of new entrants.

	Male	Female	Total
2003/04	7,224	10,793	18,017
2002/03	6,971	10,388	17,359
2001/02	6,833	10,418	17,251
2000/01	6,648	10,109	16,757
1999/00	6,684	10,274	16,958

Chart 1 shows that 18% of all full-time students (for whom age was known) were aged 25 years or over on 1st of January 2004². This signifies an ageing of the student population as the corresponding figure for 1999 was just less than 13%³.

Chart 1: Age of All Full-time Students 2003/04



Seventy-three per cent of all full-time students (for whom age was known) were 22 years of age or under on 1st January 2004, compared to 75% in 2002/03 and 77% in 2001/02. The most common age for full-time students in 2003/04 was 20 years. In 1999/00 the most common age was 19 years.

² Age was recorded for 79,876 students in the 2003/04 Student Statistical Returns. Information was unavailable for 73 students.

³ This includes postgraduate students and should not be considered mature students as per HEA definition i.e. those 23 and over on the 1st of January of the year of admission.

3. Iontrálaithe Nua

In institiúidí ÚAO chuaigh iomlán de 18,017 mac léinn isteach i mbliain 1 ar chúrsa lánaimseartha fochéime tríú leibhéal den chéad uair i 2003/04 (Tábla 4 Méadú 658 ar an mbliain roimhe sin é seo, méadú níos mó ná mar a tharla sa dá bhliain roimhe sin agus ag teacht níos mó leis an méadú ó 2000/01 go 2001/02. Ionann seo agus méadú foriomlán de 11% i líon na n-iontrálaithe nua thar an tréimhse ó 1998/99.

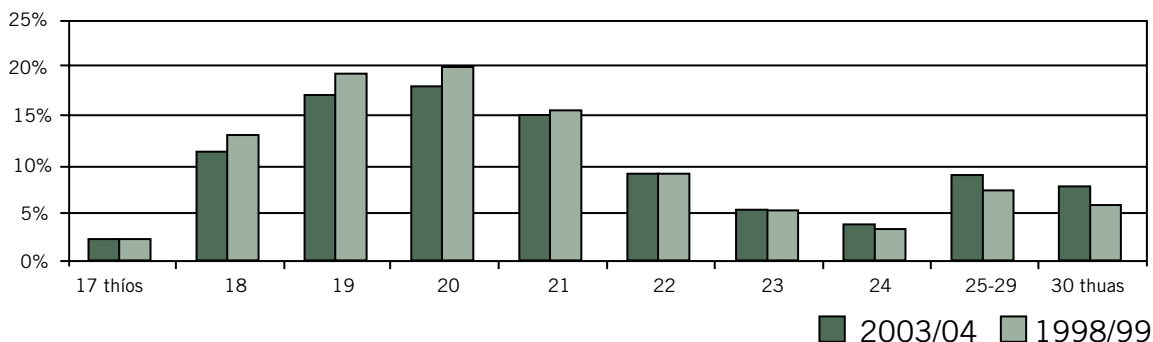
I ngach bliain acadúil ó 2000/01 b'fhireannaigh díreach 40% de na hiontrálaithe nua.

Tábla 4: Nua-iontrálaithe in Institiúidí ÚAO 1999/2000 - 2003/04

	Fireannach	Baineannach	Iomlán
2003/04	7,224	10,793	18,017
2002/03	6,971	10,388	17,359
2001/02	6,833	10,418	17,251
2000/01	6,648	10,109	16,757
1999/00	6,684	10,274	16,958

Léiríonn Cairt 1 go raibh 18% de na mic léinn lánaimseartha uile (arbh eol a n-aos) in aois 25 bliana nó níos mó ar an 1ú Eanáir 2004². Ciallaíonn seo aoisiú ar dhaoine na mac léinn mar bhí an comhfhigiúr do 1999 díreach faoi bhun 13%³.

Cairt 1: Aois na Mac Léinn Lánaimseartha Uile 2003/04



Bhí seachtó trí faoin gcéad de na mic léinn lánaimseartha uile (arbh eol a n-aos) in aois 22 bliana nó níos lú ar an 1ú Eanáir 2004, i gcomparáid le 75% i 2002/03 agus 77% i 2001/02. Dob é 20 bliain an t-aos ba choitianta ag mic léinn lánaimseartha i 2003/04. I 1999/00 ba 19 mbliana an -aos ba choitianta.

² Déanadh taifeadadh ar aois 79,876 mac léinn i dTuairiscí Staitistiúla na Mac Léinn. Ní raibh eolas ar fáil do 73 mac léinn.

³ Cuimsíonn seo mic léinn iarchéime agus níor cheart féachaint orthu mar mhic léinn lánfhásta faoi shainmhíniú ÚAO i.e. iad sin 23 agus os a chionn ar an 1ú Eanáir na bliana iontrála.

4. Age Profile of Students

Chart 2 shows that students entering college are continuing to do so at an older age. Forty eight per cent of new entrants were 18 years of age or younger on the 1st January following admission in the academic year 2003/04. This compares with 52% in 1999/00. There has also been an increase in the number of people aged between 25 and 29 years, now at 3.4% of new entrants, and those aged over 30, who made up just short of 4% of current new entrants.

Chart 1: Age of All Full-time Students 2003/04

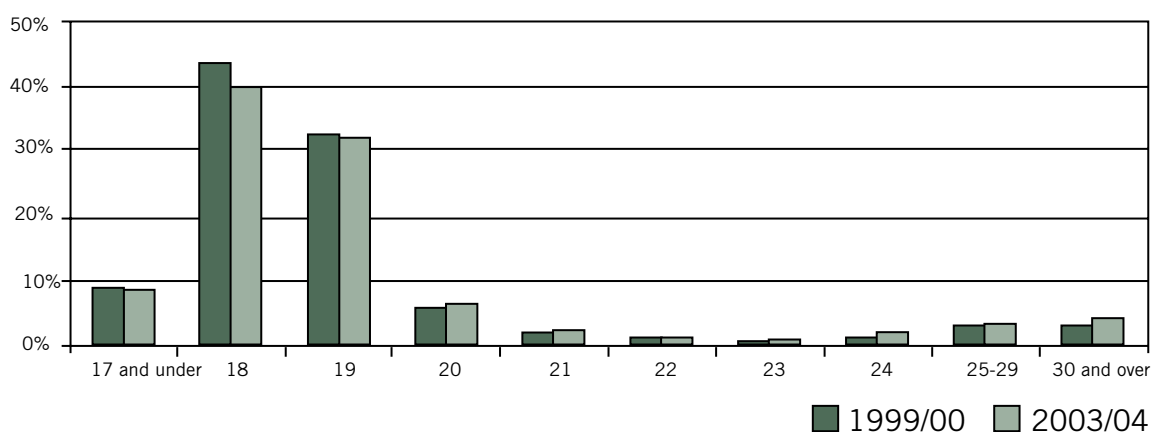


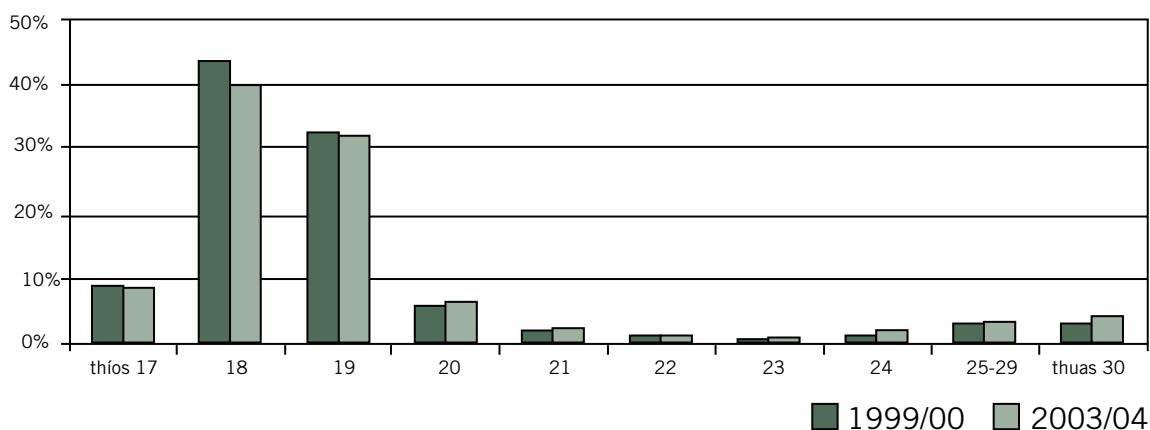
Table 5 shows that 1,662 students over the age of 24 entered in the academic year 2003/04, which, at 9.2%, is an increase on 2002/03, when there were 1,492 students at this age on the 1st January 2003. At 8.6% of all new entrants, this represented an increase of 1% on 2001/02.

AGE	N 2003/04	N 1999/00	% 2003/04	% 1999/00
17 and under	1484	1438	8.2%	8.5%
18	7207	7330	40.0%	43.2%
19	5753	5492	31.9%	32.4%
20	1126	957	6.2%	5.6%
21	401	293	2.2%	1.7%
22	210	172	1.2%	1.0%
23	157	94	0.9%	0.6%
24	342	200	1.9%	1.2%
25-29	605	489	3.4%	2.9%
30 and over	715	493	4.0%	2.9%
Age Unknown	17	16958	0.1%	0.0%
TOTALS	18017	16958	100.0%	100.0%

4. Próifíl Aoise na Mac Léinn

Léiríonn Cairt 2 go bhfuil na mic léinn atá ag dul isteach i gcoláiste á dhéanamh sin ar aois níos sine i gcónaí. Bhí daichead a hocht faoin gcéad de na hiontrálaithe nua 1 mbliana d'aois nó níos óige ar an 1ú Eanáir tar éis iontrála sa bhliain acadúil 2003/04. 52% a bhí amhlaidh i 1999/00. Tharla méadú chomh maith sa líon daoine in aois 25 go 29 bliana, 3.4% de nua-iontrálaithe anois, agus iad sin in aois os cionn 30, arbh ionann iad agus díreach faoi bhun 4% de na hiontrálaithe nua reatha.

Cairt 1: Aois na Mac Léinn Lánaimseartha Uile 2003/04



Léiríonn Tábla 5 gur iontráil 1,662 mac léinn os cionn 24 bliain d'aois sa bhliain acadúil 2003/04, arb ionann é, ar 9.2%, agus méadú ar 2002/03, nuair a bhí 1,492 mac léinn den aois sin ann ar an 1ú Eanáir 2003. Ar 8.6% de na hiontrálaithe uile nua, b'ionann seo agus méadú 1% ar 2001/02.

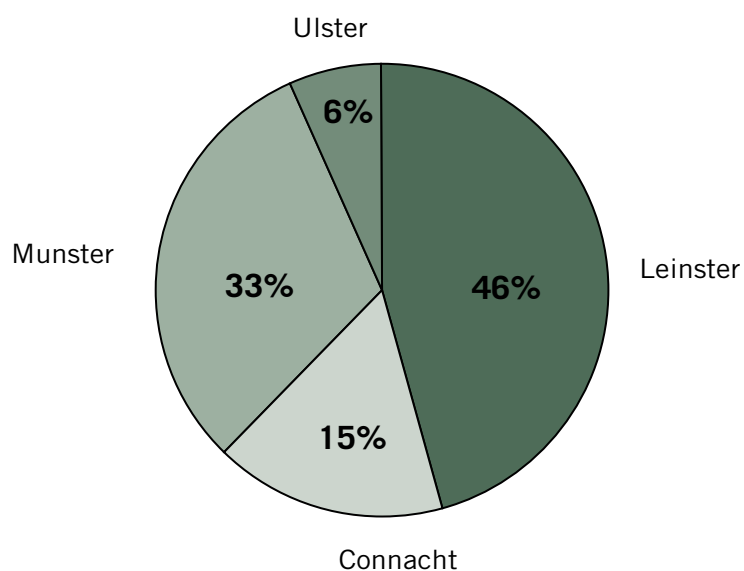
Tábla 5: Aois na Mac Léinn uile lánaimseartha fochéime ag iontráil den chéad uair i 2003/04 agus 1999/00 ar an 1ú Eanáir 2004 agus 2000				
AOIS	U 2003/04	U 1999/00	% 2003/04	% 1999/00
17 agus faoi	1484	1438	8.2%	8.5%
18	7207	7330	40.0%	43.2%
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IOMLÁIN	18017	16958	100.0%	100.0%

5. Students' Place of Origin

5.1 Irish Domiciled Students

In 2003/04 as in 2002/03, 91% of all full-time students enrolled in HEA institutions were from the island of Ireland. Chart 3 shows these grouped by province. The distribution is the same as in the previous academic year.

Chart 2: Origin of Irish Domiciled Students 2003/2004



There was little change in 2003/04 in the breakdown of student origins by institution on the previous year's figures (Table 6), although DCU did succeed in attracting a larger proportion of students from Leinster in 2003/04 (33%) than in 2002/03 (25%).

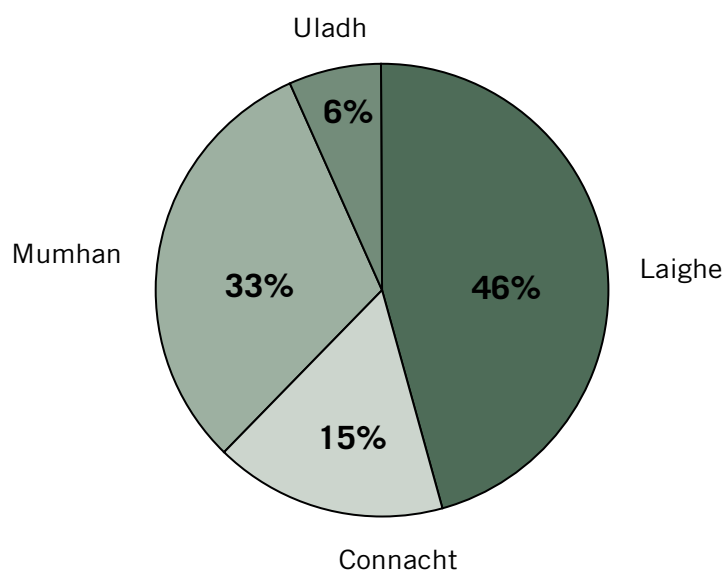
	UCD	UCC	NUIG	TCD	NUIM	DCU	SPD	UL	MIC	NCAD	RCSI
Connacht	6.6	1.8	59.2	7.0	9.2	7.9	17.5	11.7	10.7	8.7	11.8
Leinster	77.5	5.8	15.7	74.7	76.6	76.8	59.8	14.3	6.7	73.1	64.7
Munster	9.8	91.9	17.6	9.8	7.3	8.1	7.0	72.5	82.3	8.4	19.2
Ulster	6.1	0.5	7.5	8.5	6.8	7.2	15.7	1.5	0.3	9.8	4.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

5. Áit Tionscnaimh na Mac Léinn

5.1 Mic léinn Sainchónaithe in Éirinn

I 2003/04 mar a bhí i 2002/03, b'as oileán na Éireann 91% de na mic léinn uile lánaimseartha rollaithe in institiúidí ÚAO. Taispeánann Cairt 3 iad seo de réir cúige. Tá an dáileadh mar a bhí sa bhliain acadúil roimhe sin.

Cairt 2: Áit Tionscnaimh Mac Léinn Sainchónaithe in Éirinn 2003/2004



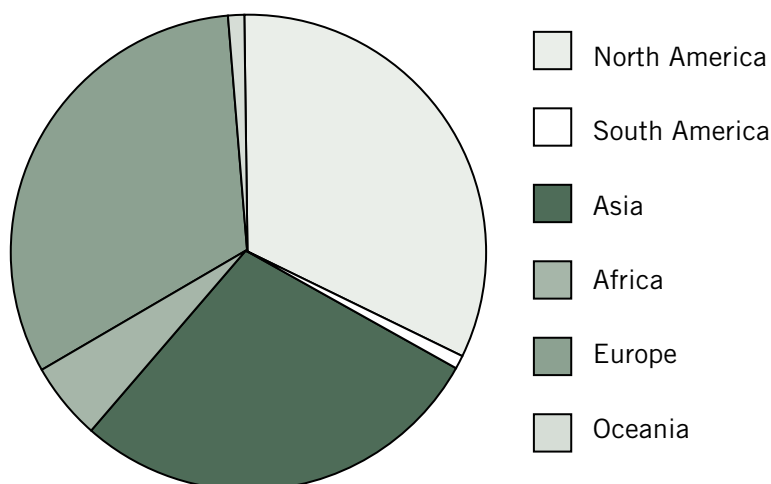
Ba bheag athrú i 2003/04 ar rangú tionscnamh na mac léinn de réir institiúide ar fhiigiúir na bliana roimhe sin (Tábla 6), cé gur éirigh le OCBÁ níos mó mac léinn ó Chúige Laighean a mhealladh i 2003/04 (33%) ná i 2002/03 (25%).

Tábla 6: Rollú lánaimseartha de réir tionscnaimh agus coláiste foghlama: Mic léinn Sainchónaithe in Éirinn											
	COBÁC	COC	OÉG	CTBÁC	OÉMN	OCBÁC	CPDC	OL	CMS	CNED	CRMÉ
Connacht	6.6	1.8	59.2	7.0	9.2	7.9	17.5	11.7	10.7	8.7	11.8
Laighean	77.5	5.8	15.7	74.7	76.6	76.8	59.8	14.3	6.7	73.1	64.7
Mumhan	9.8	91.9	17.6	9.8	7.3	8.1	7.0	72.5	82.3	8.4	19.2
Uladh	6.1	0.5	7.5	8.5	6.8	7.2	15.7	1.5	0.3	9.8	4.3
Iomán	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

5.2 Overseas Students

There was an increase of 497 overseas students undertaking studies at the HEA institutions in 2003/04 over the 2002/03 figure of 6,749, a testament to the growing importance of this sector of the student population. This increase was not as high as the 2002/03 increase of 910 overseas students over the 2001/02 overseas enrolments. The 2001/02 total figure was 5,791, approximately 9% of all full-time students. Chart 10 shows the origin of students by continent. The relative distribution of students remains largely the same as in 2001/02: the proportion from Asia increased by two percentage points between 2001/02 and 2002/03, and another 3 points between 2002/03 and 2003/04, while the corresponding percentage from Europe (non-exchange students only) fell by 1% each year, and the proportion of students from North America fell by 1% between 2001/02 and 2002/03 and 2% between 2002/03 and 2003/04.

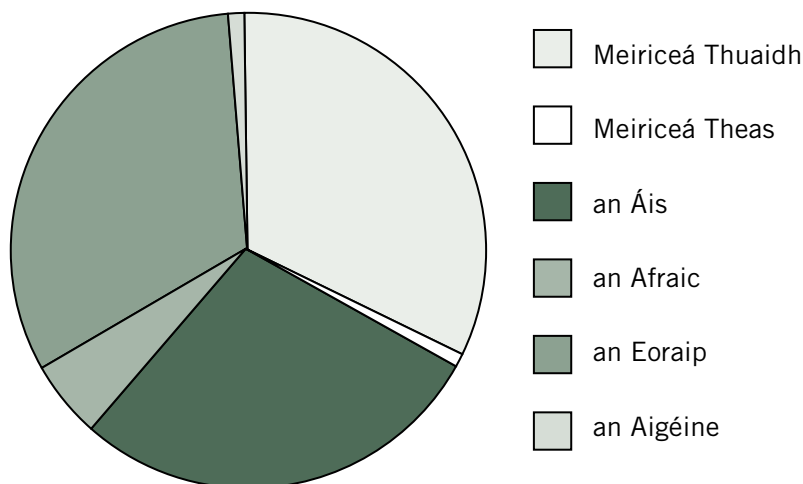
Chart 3: Origin of Overseas Students 2003/2004



5.2 Mic Léinn Iasachta

Bhí méadú de 497 ar líon na mac léinn ó thíortha thar lear ag staidéar ag institiúidí ÚAO i 2003/04 thar an bhfigiúr de 6,749 i 2002/03, dearbhú ar thábhacht fhorásach na hearnála seo de dhaonra na mac léinn. Ní raibh an t-ardú seo chomh mór leis an bhfás de 910 mac léinn ó thíortha thar lear i 2002/03 thar líon na rollaithe iasachta i 2001/02. Dob é an t-iomán i 2001/02 ná 5,791, thart ar 9% de na mic léinn uile lánaimseartha. Taispeánann Cairt 10 áit tionscanta na mac léinn de réir mór-roinne. Tá dáileadh na mac léinn mórán mar a bhí i 2001/02: mhéadaigh an cion ón Áis dhá phointe céatadán idir 2001/02 agus 2002/03, agus 3 phointe eile idir 2002/03 agus 2003/04, agus thit an comhcheatadán ón Eoraip (mic léinn neamh-mhalairte amháin) 1% in aghaidh na bliana, agus thit an cion ó Mheiriceá Thuaidh 1% idir 2001/02 agus 2002/03 agus 2% idir 2002/03 agus 2003/04.

Cairt 3: Áit Tionscnaimh Mac Léinn Eachtracha Sainchónaithe in Éirinn 2003/2004



6. Awards made

6.1 Calendar Year 2001

The HEA collects and publishes statistics relating to the number of students graduating from each of its designated institutions each year. This graduate data relates to those who received an award in the preceding calendar year.

As shown in table 7, HEA institutions awarded a total of 26,030 degrees, certificates and diplomas in the calendar year 2001. Forty per cent of these (10,383) were awarded to male students. Fifty-eight per cent of awards made were primary degrees. This compares with the calendar year 1996 when 13,064 (63%) of a total of 20,782 awards were primary degrees.

	Male	Female	Total	% Awards
Primary Degree	6407	8621	15028	57.7
Undergraduate Cert & Diploma	341	1255	1596	6.1
PhD	326	246	572	2.2
Masters	1879	2115	3994	15.3
Postgraduate Cert & Diploma	1430	3410	4840	18.6
Total	10383	15647	26030	100.0

6.2 Calendar Year 2002

A total of 27,024 degrees, certificates and diplomas were awarded to successful students at the HEA institutions in the calendar year 2002. As can be seen from Table 8 below, 59% of awards made in 2002 were primary degrees. Of these, 16,806 (62%) were made to females and 10,218 (38%) were made to males.

	Male	Female	Total	% Awards
Primary Degree	6408	9400	15808	58.5
Undergraduate Cert & Diploma	451	1685	2136	7.9
PhD	341	261	602	2.2
Masters	1667	2140	3807	14.1
Postgraduate Cert & Diploma	1351	3320	4671	17.3
Total	10218	16806	27024	100.0

6. Dámhachtainí a déanadh

6.1 Bliain Féilire 2001

Bailíonn agus foilsíonn an ÚAO staitisticí maidir le líon na mac léinn a bhaineann cáilíocht amach ó gach ceann dá institiúidí sainithe gach bliain. Baineann na sonraí seo ar chéimithe leo sin a fuair dámhachtain sa bhliain féilire roimhe sin.

Mar a léirítear i dtábla 7, bhronn institiúidí ÚAO iomlán de 26,030 céim, teastas agus diplóma sa bhliain féilire 2001. Deonadh daichead faoin gcéad díobh seo (10,383) do mhic léinn fireannacha. Bunchéimeanna ab ea caoga is a hocht de na dámhachtainí a déanadh. Sa bhliain féilire 1996 déanadh dámhachtain ar 13,064 (63%) bunchéim as iomlán de 20,782 dámhachtain.

Tábla 7: Dámhachtainí a déanadh sa bhliain féilire 2001				
	Fireannach	Baineannach	Iomlán	% Damhachtainí
Bunchéim	6407	8621	15028	57.7
Teast & Diplóma Fochéime	341	1255	1596	6.1
PhD	326	246	572	2.2
Máistreacht	1879	2115	3994	15.3
Teast & Diplóma Iarchéime	1430	3410	4840	18.6
Iomlán	10383	15647	26030	100.0

6.2 Bliain Féilire 2002

Deonadh iomlán de 27,024 céim, teastas agus diplóma do mhic léinn ar éirigh leo ag institiúidí an ÚAO i mbliain féilire 2002. Mar a fheictear ar Thábla 8 thíos, ba bhunchéimeanna iad 59% de na dámhachtainí a déanadh i 2002. Díobh seo, tugadh 16,806 (62%) do bhaineannaigh agus 10,218 (38%) d'fhireannaigh

Tábla 8: Dámhachtainí a déanadh sa bhliain féilire 2002				
	Fireannach	Baineannach	Iomlán	% Damhachtainí
Bunchéim	6408	9400	15808	58.5
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6.3 Calendar Year 2003

A total of 29,280 degrees, certificates and diplomas were awarded to successful students at the HEA institutions in 2003. As can be seen from Table 9, 55% of awards made in 2003 were primary degrees. Of these, almost three and a half thousand more females (9,856) than males (6,395) received primary degrees.

	Male	Female	Total	% Awards
Primary Degree	6395	9856	16251	55.5
Undergraduate Cert & Diploma	665	1571	2236	7.6
PhD	320	327	647	2.2
Masters	2448	2909	5357	18.3
Postgraduate Cert & Diploma	1352	3437	4789	16.4
Total	11180	18100	29280	100.0

There was a 21% increase in the overall number of qualifications awarded by the HEA institutions over the period 1999 to 2003 as can be seen in Table 10. The most striking increase in the number of awards made was in the jump in the number of Undergraduate Certificate and Diplomas awarded (up by 64%), and the substantial increase in the number of postgraduate degrees awarded.

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	Actual Increase '99 - '03	% Increase '99 - '03
Primary Degree	14183	14694	15028	15808	16251	2068	15%
Undergraduate Cert & Diploma	1364	1532	1596	2136	2236	872	64%
Postgraduate Degree	4302	4475	4566	4409	6004	1702	40%
Postgraduate Cert & Diploma	4366	4581	4840	4671	4789	423	10%
Total	24215	25282	26030	27024	29280	5065	21%

6.3 Bliain Féilire 2003

Deonadh iomlán de 29,280 céim, teastas agus dioplóma do mhic léinn ar éirigh leo ag institiúidí an ÚAO i 2003. Mar a fheictear ar Thábla 9, ba bhunchéimeanna iad 55% de na dámhachtana a déanadh i 2003. Díobh seo, ba bhaineannaigh geall le trí mhíle go leith níos mó díobh sin a fuair bunchéimeanna (9,856) ná fireannaigh (6,395).

Tábla 9: Dámhachtana a fuarthas sa bhliain féilire 2003				
	Fireannach	Baineannach	Iomlán	% Dámhachtan
Bunchéim	6395	9856	16251	55.5
Teast & Dioplóma Fochéime	665	1571	2236	7.6
PhD	320	327	647	2.2
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Tábla 10: Dámhachtana a déanadh sa tréimhse 1999 - 2003							
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	Fíorardú '99 - '03	% de mhéadú '99 - '03
Bunchéim	14183	14694	15028	15808	16251	2068	15%
Teast & Dioplóma Fochéime	1364	1532	1596	2136	2236	872	64%
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