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## Letterkenny Institute of Technology - CINNTE Review 2018

### The Review Team



#### Chair

**Professor Crichton Lang MRCVS** is Deputy Principal and also Head of the School of Health, Social Care and Life Sciences at the University of the Highlands and Islands. He originally trained and practised as a veterinary surgeon in Tayside, Scotland before completing a PhD in neuropharmacology and pursuing a university career. Crichton worked first in the University of Bristol and subsequently for 12 years at the University of St Andrews where in addition to undertaking research, lecturing and developing curriculum in his own areas of interest (applied physiology, human and comparative biology), he held the posts of director of teaching for the school of biology and pro-dean for the faculty of science. Building on his broad experience within the sector, Crichton co-ordinated much of the strategic development of the University of the Highlands and Islands through its journey to degree awarding powers and full university title. In addition to a broad portfolio of responsibilities within the university as deputy principal, Crichton maintains specific oversight of the key activities relating to the quality assurance and enhancement of academic courses, student achievement and satisfaction and the strategic development of the university's portfolio of awards and other areas of academic growth. Crichton has a particular interest in institutional audit and review of universities and has experience as an institutional reviewer both in Scotland and abroad.





### Coordinating Reviewer

**Dr Josephine Boland** has over thirty five years' experience as an educator and researcher in higher, medical, teacher and further education. As an independent education and engagement consultant she specialises in curriculum development, assessment design, quality assurance, faculty development and evaluation. She is currently Director of Medical Education in the College of Anaesthetists of Ireland (CAI), leading the development of a competency framework for the postgraduate specialist training programme. Prior to taking up her part-time role in CAI, Josephine was Senior Lecturer in the School of Medicine, NUI Galway having previously been Senior Lecturer within the School of Education. During her academic career she served as external examiner for Trinity College, Mary Immaculate College, GMIT and AIT. She has participated in quality assurance processes as a member of internal and external evaluation teams, in NUI Galway and UCC and for a World Bank funded programme evaluation at the American University of Beirut and Earth University, Costa Rica. She continues to engage in community engaged research and serves as a mentor for Campus Engage, delivering a faculty development to support community engagement in higher education, nationally and internationally. Her recent research and publications pertain primarily to medical education and assessment and to the role of community engagement in promoting engaged learning and social accountability.



**Ann McGregor** was appointed as Chief Executive of the Northern Ireland Chamber of Commerce and Industry in June 2008. She was formerly Chief Executive of Enterprise NI and a Director with Business in the Community. Ann commenced her career in the private sector working in production/materials management with Roche Manufacturing, Schering Plough and Bird's General Foods before moving into local economic development. Ann is a BA Honours Graduate of Queen's University and holds a MA Marketing from Ulster University. Ann is currently a Trustee of the Grand Opera House and a member of the Senate at Queen's University. Her commitment to developing

	<p>the Northern Ireland economy was acknowledged in 2012 when she was awarded an MBE.</p>
	<p><b>Erica Cunningham</b> is in third year of the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Media and Public Relations at IT Carlow. She has participated in the PAKs scheme at IT Carlow, assisting first year students in their transition to college. Erica is particularly interested in student engagement and is part of an internal working group as a faculty representative, involving participation in meetings with Heads of the College to discuss issues relating to quality and projects. She has also acted as class rep and aims to run for Student's Union this year. Erica is participating in NStEP (National Student Engagement Programme), a collaborative initiative under development by the Union of Students in Ireland (USI), the Higher Education Authority (HEA) and Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI). The National Student Engagement Programme seeks to develop student capabilities and institutional capacity to enhance engagement at all levels across the higher education system.</p>
	<p><b>Dr Roy Ferguson</b> has been Director of Quality at University College Dublin since 2007. He was previously Head of Academic Affairs at Queen's University Belfast and held several posts at Ulster University, as well as teaching and managerial posts in the (UK) North Eastern Education Board. He originally qualified as a Chartered Company Secretary (ACIS) with (what is now) Aviva Insurance Company and held several posts in the NI Court Service. He also holds a BSc (Hons) in Economics and Politics and a BA (Hons) in Business Studies; PG Dip. Law; MSc in Management; Grad. Cert. in Education; and an Ed.D in Higher Education Management. Roy chaired the Irish Higher Education Quality Network Group in 2013 and has been a member of Quality Review Panels at institutional, unit and programme level, both at home and overseas. Previously he was an international reviewer for QAA Scotland and is a current reviewer for QAA for the IQR and QRV review processes. Roy was a member of the 2017 QAA team which reviewed UK TNE provision in Ireland.</p>



**Professor Jürg Christener**, Director of the School of Engineering at the University of Applied Sciences Northwestern Switzerland, Windisch. Jürg has been director of the University of Applied Sciences for Engineering in Northwest Switzerland (FHNW) since 2006. He worked as an engineer until switching to the University of Applied Sciences in Northwest Switzerland in 1995, where he worked as a lecturer, vice president and finally director in the area of engineering. He is president of the association NaTech-Education and president of the foundation board of the Summermatter Foundation.