

Ysgoloriaethau Sgiliau Economi Gwybodaeth Knowledge Economy Skills Scholarships



WHY CHOOSE KESS 2 EAST

Each project is specifically designed to meet your company's needs. The project is then carried out by a dedicated student at MRes, MPhil or PhD level, who is supported by both the company and the relevant University. Here are just some of the benefits of participating:

- The opportunity to test claims, perceptions and experiences regarding your product, service or brand.
- Research that you can shape, with the support of an academic, to suit your company needs.
- Position your organisation as a voice of authority and market leader in your sector
- A dedicated student, supervised by an academic, to work on an area specific to your business.
- Very low entry cost for the potential return your project could bring.

KESS 2 East is the sister project of KESS 2, a major pan-Wales operation supported by European Social Funds (ESF) through the Welsh Government. KESS 2 links companies and organisations with academic expertise in the Higher Education sector in Wales to undertake collaborative research projects. A range of companies and organisations can participate, including Micro companies, SMEs, Large companies, Third Sector and Social Enterprises. Eligibility restrictions apply, please speak to our team for further information.

COMPANY CASH CONTRIBUTIONS: PhD SCHOLARSHIPS

Organisation Type	No. of Employees	Year 1 Cohort (Oct. 2018 start) PhD x3	Year 2 Cohort (Oct. 2019 start) PhD x3	
Micro	<10	£5,500	£5,500	
Small	<50	£5,500	£5,500	
Medium	<250	£6,000	£6,000	
Large	>250	£6,500	£6,500	
Large International / Multinational / Global / Transnational Company	N/A	£7,000	£7,000	
Third Sector	-	Dependent on Organisation Type / size as above	Dependent on Organisation Type / size as above	
Social Enterprise	-	Dependent on Organisation Type / size as above	Dependent on Organisation Type / size as above	
Public Sector	-	Dependent on Organisation Type / size as above	Dependent on Organisation Type / size as above	

All Cash Contributions are subject to VAT (Company Partners should seek advice from their Finance Department)

The research undertaken through a KESS 2 East PhD, MPhil or MRes project must fit with one of the Welsh Government's four Grand Challenge Areas which are:

LIFE SCIENCES & HEALTH

Example project: Development of innovative technologies in women's health for clinical diagnosis of infertility and gynaecological cancer

ADVANCED ENGINEERING & MATERIALS

Example project: Development of products for controlled releasing topical and transdermal drugs using nano/micro-encapsulation and micro-needles

LOWCARBON, ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT Example project: Breeding blight resistant potatoes

ICT & THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

Example project: Global digital tourism practice and economic development for UNESCO World Heritage Sites

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF A KESS 2 COMPANY PARTNER?

- That you have a base within the East Wales area - please speak to our team for further eligibility information.
- That you can supervise your student whilst on placement within your company for a minimum of 30 days per year (flexible depending on the project)
- That you are able to participate in quarterly progress meetings and complete progress reports

COMPANY CASH CONTRIBUTIONS: RESEARCH MASTERS SCHOLARSHIPS

Organisation Type	No. of Employees	Year 1 Cohort (Oct. 2018 start) MRes x1	Year 2 Cohort (Oct. 2019 start) MRes x1	Year 3 Cohort (Oct. 2020 start) MRes x1	Year 4 Cohort (Oct. 2021 start) MRes x1
Micro	<10	£5,500	£5,500	£5,500	£5,500
Small	<50	£5,500	£5,500	£5,500	£5,500
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Project IPR results and any Intellectual Property arising from a KESS 2 project will be owned by the relevant University. Background Information used in connection with the KESS 2 project will remain the property of the party introducing it and will be subject to confidentiality obligations. The relevant University will grant the company partner the first option for either an exclusive or non-exclusive licence to use the Intellectual Property or other Project IPR Results as negotiated between the parties involved.

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