

# **Business Engagement**

# **Knowledge Transfer Secondment (KTS) Scheme**

Fact sheet

A KTS provides funding to help exploit research through the movement of skilled people both into, and out of, the University of Birmingham through secondments.

#### The benefits to your organisation

- The services of a highly qualified researcher, technical officer and/or direct access to senior academic expertise
  to work on a project of mutual interest
- Access to the very latest technological advances emerging from the research base
- The opportunity to develop a long-term partnership with the University of Birmingham and find out more about the wide range of services available for business

#### The objective

The KTS scheme supports projects in the engineering, physical and biomedical sciences, looking to:

- progress the results of previous/current research towards application
- address an organisation's challenges through collaborative research
- access specialist equipment and/or skilled technicians

## Secondment and funding models

Secondments OUT of the University	Secondments INTO the University
The KTS will provide:	The KTS will provide:
<ul> <li>up to 75% of the outward secondees' salaries, superannuation and NI contributions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>up to 75% of the inward secondees' salaries, exclusive of pension and NI contributions</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>reasonable travel and subsistence costs as necessary to support the secondee(s)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>reasonable travel and subsistence costs as necessary to support the secondee(s)</li> </ul>
- up to 50% of the costs of consumables	- reasonable research consumables
You should provide:	You should provide:
<ul> <li>25% or more of the secondees' salaries, superannuation and NI contributions</li> </ul>	- 25% or more of the secondees' salaries, and 100% of their pension and NI contributions
<ul> <li>appropriate infrastructure and equipment to enable the secondees' project work</li> </ul>	
- 50% or more of the cost of consumables	

### **Eligibility and rules**

- Companies, government departments, NHS, charities and other not- for-profit organisations are eligible
- Projects will run from between 6 weeks and 2 years and may have one or multiple secondees
- Secondments may be full or part-time, with a minimum 10% FTE (part time secondments will receive pro-rata funding)
- Commercial and secondment agreements must be in place before secondments can commence
- Deadlines occur quarterly

#### Learn more

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