UNITECH Engineering Student Exchange gets underway

This September saw the School of Engineering’s first participation in the UNITECH Student Exchange Programme, a unique partnership between some of Europe’s most prestigious technical universities and some of the continents leading engineering companies. UNITECH International is based in Zurich, Switzerland and its aim is to prepare qualified engineering students for their professional future. At the core of UNITECH activities is an exchange period for students at a partner university with technical and management-orientated courses followed by an internship with one of the Corporate Partners. The year is completed with three UNITECH Joint Modules which focus on the acquisition of specific business know-how, social competence and the capacity for multicultural understanding. This combination of practical experience, the Joint Modules and study abroad is unique in Europe. Following completion of the programme, students also become members of the UNITECH Alumni Association enabling them to maintain a network of peers across the European engineering sector. Twelve students from the Engineering and Engineering with Management courses here in TCD have been accepted on to the programme this year while another nine students from Milan, Zurich, Delft, Aachen and Gothenburg will study for one or two semesters at TCD. Academic Director for the Programme at TCD, Professor Brian Broderick, emphasises that “this is an exciting new venture for Trinity Engineering as it brings together two priority areas for the development of our Engineering programmes - collaboration with leading industrial partners and the promotion of student mobility through European student exchange networks. On behalf of the School of Engineering, I would like to wish all participants every success for the year ahead”.

TCD Engineering students attend the Gala Dinner event during the UNITECH Programme Start Up Week in Zurich

UNITECH students prepare for the beginning of lectures at TCD