

Wexford academic wins PhD award

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A WEXFORD-BASED academic, operating from Dublin Institute of Technology was recently presented with the 2013 James Cooper Memorial Cup for writing the best PhD thesis on a supply chain management (SCM) topic.

Dr. Edward Sweeney, who works in DIT's National Institute for Transport and Logistics carried out his Doctoral research on the implementation of SCM and logistics theory in Ireland, which was carried out at the University of Hull Logistics Institute under the supervision of Prof. David Grant and Prof. John Mangan.

The prize, named in memory of Professor James Cooper, was inaugurated in 2000 and is awarded annually by the UK-based Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) to Doctoral graduates of UK or Irish universities for "research that makes an original contribution to the field and is directly relevant to the management of the end-to-end supply chain."

The prize was presented at an event in Birmingham which Dr. Sweeney attended with his wife, well-known Wexford mezzo-soprano Joyce Byrne. He will soon move to Birmingham where he will take up a role in the Logistics and Engineering section at Aston University.



Prof. John Mangan, Dr. Edward Sweeney and his wife Joyce Byrne, and Prof. David Grant at the presentation of the James Cooper Memorial Cup in Birmingham recently.