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Ireland's National Music Education Programme  
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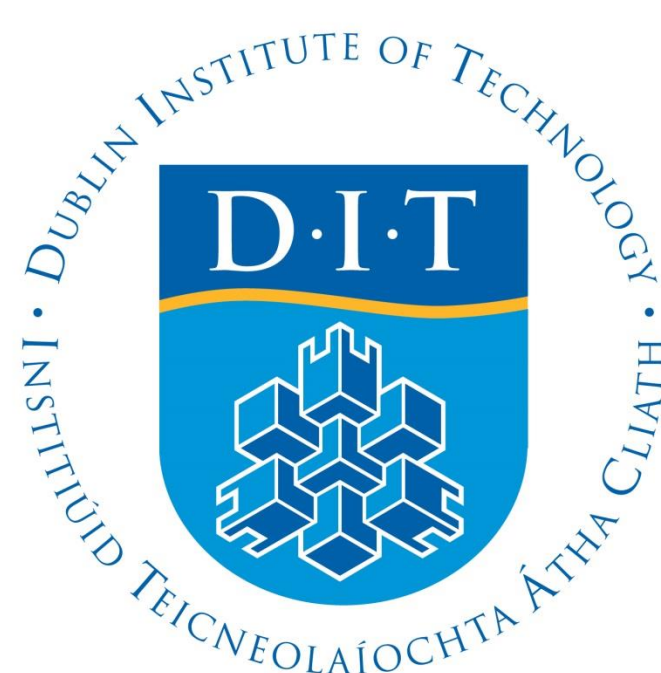
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**Primary National Research Partner**  
*Developing Diversity in  
Performance Music Education*

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The various Higher Education Institutes work in partnership with Music Generation in a variety of ways, including; Supporting Research Initiatives, Providing Advice and Expertise, Local Music Education Partnership Membership, Partnership Funding, Continuous Professional Development, Access to Rehearsal, Performance, Conference & Training Venues, Access to Students for Work Experience and/or Employment Opportunities, Delivery of Tuition Programmes.

Music Generation is Ireland's National Music Education Programme that helps children and young people access high quality performance music education in their local area. Initiated by Music Network and seed funded by a €7m philanthropic donation from U2 (€5m) and The Ireland Funds (€2m), Music Generation works with Local Music Education Partnerships (MEPs) who co-fund the programme. Building upon original pilot programmes in Donegal and Dublin City, Music Generation is now established in Carlow, Clare, Cork City, Laois, Louth, Limerick City, Mayo, Offaly/Westmeath, Sligo, South Dublin and Wicklow. To date some 18,500 children and young people have engaged in the programme and employment opportunities have been created for up to 230 musicians. Music Generation works closely with the Department of Education and Skills who will begin to co-fund the programme with MEPs from July 2014 as the philanthropic funding is phased out. Music Generation is enabling the implementation of a wider national strategy for music education *A National System of Local Music Education Services: Report of a Feasibility Study*, developed by by Music Network and co-commissioned by the Departments of Education and Arts.

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