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Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by Dublin City University of certain assets of St. Patrick's College Drumcondra, Mater Dei Institute of Education and The Church of Ireland College of Education

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The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has today cleared the proposed transaction whereby Dublin City University would acquire sole control of certain assets, principally constituting third-level teacher education facilities, of St. Patrick's College Drumcondra, Mater Dei Institute of Education and The Church of Ireland College of Education. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002 (as amended) on 29 June 2016.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the Determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

Additional Information

Dublin City University is a university established in 1989, located in Glasnevin, just north of Dublin city. DCU delivers more than 150 programmes to over 12,000 students across its four faculties, namely, Humanities and Social Sciences, Science and Health, Engineering and Computing and DCU Business School.

St. Patrick's College Drumcondra is a teacher education institute with a campus in Drumcondra, Dublin 9. It is one of the oldest third-level educational institutions in the State and specialising in the area of primary teacher education since its foundation in 1875.

Mater Dei Institute of Education runs a campus at Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3, and was established in 1966 as an institute for the training and formation of teachers for secondary schools.

The Church of Ireland College of Education operates a campus at 96 Upper Rathmines Road, Dublin 6. It is a publicly-funded teacher education facility which was established in 1811.