



Lero wins Google Global Award to encourage girls to take up computing



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Lero has been named by Google as one of the global winners of the 2015 RISE Awards. Google's RISE programme, which began in 2010, is designed to support organisations that encourage girls and underrepresented students in extracurricular computer science programmes. This year Google will contribute \$1.5m to 37 organisations in 17 countries. Lero will utilise its \$17,000 award to promote and organise computing summer camps at the University of Limerick aimed specifically at female secondary students from the age of 14 plus.

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Lero has won a software development contract with the European Space Agency. Worth €400,000, Lero will control €300,000 with the balance earmarked for a collaborator in Gothenburg, Sweden. This is Lero's third contract with ESA, a linkup which is helping to develop the centre's reputation for engagement with space-related research activity.

These kinds of contracts are extremely valuable to Ireland, says Lero director and professor of software engineering at University of Limerick Prof Mike Hinchey. "Ireland has been successful in getting ESA contracts. This is good for the economy but is also valuable for training researchers and they in turn are valuable to industries outside of space science. It is a great opportunity for Ireland, and there is still an opportunity for Ireland to advance in this area," says Hinchey.

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Prof Mike Hinchey

Dr Sean Baker appointed chairman of Lero governance committee



Dr Sean Baker, a co-founder of IONA Technologies plc, has been appointed chairman of the Governance Committee of Lero, the Irish Software Research Centre. In 2013 Dr Baker was named as the Irish Software Association's 'Person of the Year' in recognition of his contribution to the software industry.

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