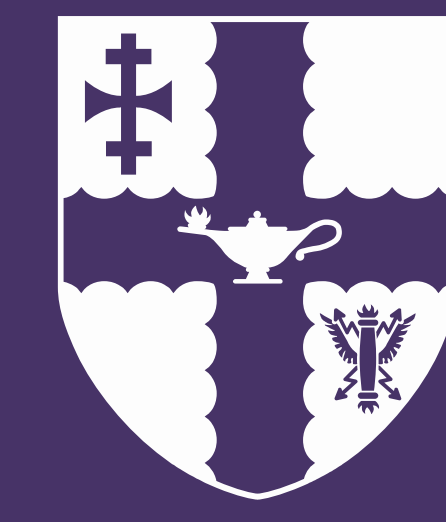


'The Transition Zone': a unique approach to the development of postgraduate researchers



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EPSRC CENTRE for
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Introduction

The **EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training in Embedded Intelligence** welcomed its first cohort of PhD students in 2014. The CDT brings together expertise from Loughborough University and Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh to tackle industrially relevant challenges and train postgraduate researchers. There is a need for researchers who are technically excellent AND have the competence and confidence to thrive in a business environment, understanding how and why their research matters to industry.

The 'Transition Zone'

Designed as a scaffold to students personal and professional development. The three pillars of **leadership, enterprise and entrepreneurship** and **personal business model** provide a structure for a combination of taught training courses, and experiential learning.

From the start of their studies students are introduced to tools and techniques such as skills audit, business model canvas and peer to peer coaching to shape their own transition through the 4 year programme.



Transition Zone

Transition Week



Orientation

Enterprise



Leadership and Management

Summer School



Coaching

Why the Institute of Leadership and Management (ILM)?

- UK's leading provider of leadership coaching and management qualifications and training.
- Becoming an approved ILM centre enables us to deliver a range of modules and qualifications to support students' development and staff members at the co-sponsoring company.
- Content is mapped against ILM modules and assessments providing a structure and focus for learning.
- Students gain access to resources, tools and networks available through ILM.
- CDT-EI students gain an international-recognised leadership and management qualification during their PhD studies.
- Students rapidly develop an appreciation of their company co-sponsor and sector.