



PSG Institute of Technology and Applied Research Neelambur, Coimbatore

Fostering International Collaboration: Interaction with the Delegation from Queen's University Belfast, United Kingdom



A distinguished delegation from Queen's University Belfast, United Kingdom, visited PSG Institute of Technology and Applied Research on 30 July 2026. The delegation comprised **Prof. David Rooney**, Professor of Chemical Engineering and Dean of Internationalisation and Reputation, Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences; **Dr. Jonathan Browning**, Senior Lecturer and Director of Postgraduate Taught, School of Electronics, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science; **Prof. Haresh Manyar**, Professor of Chemical Engineering and Director of Internationalisation, School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering; and **Ms. Kathy Brennan**, Senior Partnerships Manager (Africa, MENA, Central and South Asia), International Partnerships. An interactive meeting was held in the Board Room with the Queen's University Belfast delegation, Dr. N. Saravanakumar, Principal, PSG iTech, Dr. P. Manoj Kumar, Professor and Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Dr. P. Biji, Professor and Head, Department of Chemistry and Nanoscience & Technology, PSGIAS, and a few faculty members of PSG iTech. The discussions focused on research collaboration, student internship opportunities at Queen's University Belfast, and avenues for pursuing postgraduate, Ph.D., and postdoctoral programmes with fellowship opportunities. Prof. David Rooney delivered a presentation on Queen's University Belfast, highlighting the university's research strengths, international collaborations, and academic opportunities. This was followed by an interactive session with faculty members at the Mechanical Engineering Seminar Hall. The discussions explored potential collaborative research in areas such as aerospace, semiconductors, next-generation photonics, cybersecurity and artificial intelligence, advanced composites, computational modelling, smart infrastructure, hydrogen technologies, and fuel cells. The visit provided a valuable platform for knowledge sharing and laid the foundation for future collaborations in research, faculty and student exchange, and international academic partnerships between PSG iTech and Queen's University Belfast.