



Media release

New appointment is just the medicine for CENSIS

CENSIS, the Scottish Innovation Centre for Sensor and Imaging Systems, has added to its business development offering with the appointment of medical technology expert, Dr Stephen Milne.

Recruited from the Digital Health and Care Institute, Stephen joins CENSIS as a business development manager, building on the Innovation Centre's seven-strong business development and marketing team. With a wealth of experience in medical technology, he complements the team's existing expertise in a range of industries; from oil and gas and subsea to automotive, pharmaceuticals and logistics.

After obtaining a European MEng in Electronic and Electrical Engineering at the University of Glasgow, Stephen began his career in roles at well-known technology and engineering firms, Agilent Technologies and Freescale Semiconductor.

During his Doctorate within the Medical Devices Doctoral Training Centre at the University of Strathclyde, he turned his attention to medical technology, developing a Bluetooth sensor device to analyse hydration levels through markers contained in sweat. Stephen also led on an international research project in Qatar exploring analytical tools for wound care.

More recently, he was awarded a Saltire Fellowship, an accolade which is part of a first-class executive leadership programme designed to grow and connect talent driving the Scottish economy. During the course, he spent time at Babson College in Boston, the top-rated US business school for entrepreneurship.

Mark Begbie, Business Development Director at CENSIS, said: "With an impressive track record in research, product innovation and strong links in academia, Stephen is a valuable new addition to our business development team. His experience in applying sensor technology to enhance medical practice in the UK and overseas will add another string to our bow, enabling us to look at further opportunities for the different applications of sensors in healthcare."

Dr Stephen Milne commented: "I truly believe Scotland has an edge when it comes to medicine and I am excited to be joining an already dynamic team at CENSIS. It's a great time to be part of the Innovation Centre, with a number of unique projects underway. I look forward to working with businesses in the health and life science sectors to help them realise the benefits of sensor and imaging systems technology."

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1. About CENSIS

CENSIS is the Scottish Centre for Sensors and Imaging Systems, which aims to bring together commercial innovation and academic research, to drive economic activity in Scotland. Established in April 2013 with an initial £10 million funding, it expects to deliver collaborative R&D projects and assist Scotland's 170 companies in the industry which, between them, contribute £2.6 billion to the economy. It is funded by the Scottish Funding Council, with additional support from the Scottish Government, Scottish Enterprise and Highlands & Islands Enterprise.

2. About Innovation Centres

The Innovation Centres, which were launched in 2014 and in the latter part of 2013, sit within the construction industry, oil and gas, stratified medicine, digital health, industrial bio-tech, and sensors and imaging. Each Centre aims to establish bonds between Scotland's universities and their respective industry sectors, translating the knowledge and expertise into commercially viable products and companies to benefit the country's economy.