

Protected Disclosures Act 2014

Form PDA-2

Annual Report of Statistics - External Reports made or transmitted under sections 7, 7A, 10C and 10D of the Act

Section 22(1) of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 requires every public body to make an annual report, no later than 1 March each year, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery & Reform on the number of protected disclosures made to the public body in respect of the immediately preceding calendar year.

This table must be completed and returned to the Minister even if no protected disclosures have been received or are on hand in the calendar year that is the subject of this report.

The information provided in this table should cover ONLY reports made by workers to prescribed persons using the EXTERNAL reporting channels established under section 72A of the Act or transmitted under sections 74(3)(b), 10C(1)(b) and 10D(1)(b) of the Act. For internal reports received under section 6 of the Act, please use Form PDA-1.

Completed reports should be sent to: [INSERT EMAIL ADDRESS] by 1 March each year.

Detailed guidance on the completion of this form is set in [INSERT SECTION] of the Statutory Guidance on the operation of the Protected Disclosures Act for public bodies and prescribed persons, published on [DATE] and available from: www.gov.ie/protected-disclosures.

1 Identification
1.1 Name of Prescribed Person: Atlantic Technological University
1.2 Calendar year covered by this report: 2023

2 Reports received in calendar year
2.1 Of the reports received in the calendar year that is the subject of this report, how many were:
2.1.1 Received via the external reporting channel established under section 72B of the Act? 0
2.1.2 Transmitted by another prescribed person under section 74(3)(b) of the Act? 0
2.1.3 Transmitted by the Protected Disclosures Commissioner under section 10C(1)(b) of the Act? 0
2.1.4 Transmitted by the Protected Disclosures Commissioner under section 10D(1)(b) of the Act? 0
2.1.5 Total number of reports received 0

3 Assessment of reports
3.1 Of the total number of reports received in the calendar year, how many were:
3.1.1 Awaiting completion of assessment at year end? 0
3.1.2 Assessed as warranting further follow up? 0
3.1.3 Transmitted to another prescribed person or the Protected Disclosures Commissioner? 0
3.1.4 Closed because the report was clearly minor? 0
3.1.5 Closed because it was a repetitive report containing no meaningful new information? 0
3.1.6 Referred to another more relevant procedure? 0
3.1.7 Assessed as warranting no further follow up? 0

4 Investigation of reports
4.1 How many investigations were opened in the calendar year? 0
4.2 How many open investigations were carried over from the previous year? 0
4.3 How many investigations were closed in the calendar year? 0
4.4 How many investigations remained open at the end of the calendar year? 0
4.5 Of the number of investigations reported as still open in response to Q4.4, how many are:
4.5.1 Open less than 1 year? 0
4.5.2 Open more than 1 year but less than 3 years? 0
4.5.3 Open more than 3 years but less than 5 years? 0
4.5.4 Open 5 or more years? 0
4.6 What was the average length of the investigations closed in the calendar year? 0
4.7 What was the median length of the investigations closed in the calendar year? 0

5 Matters Investigated
5.1 Of the investigations opened in calendar year reported in response to Q4.1, how many involved:
5.1.1 Criminal offences? 0
5.1.2 Breaches of a legal obligation? 0
5.1.3 Misconduct of justice? 0
5.1.4 Endangerment of health and safety? 0
5.1.5 Damage to the environment? 0
5.1.6 Unlawful or improper use of public funds? 0
5.1.7 Acts or omissions that are oppressive, discriminatory or grossly negligent or constitute gross mismanagement? 0
5.1.8 Breaches of the EU law within the scope of Article 2 of Directive (EU) 2019/1937 (the Whistleblowing Directive)? 0
5.1.9 Concealment or destruction of information tending to show any matter falling within items 5.1.1 to 5.1.8? 0

6 Matters Investigated - Breaches of EU law
6.1 Of the investigations reported as opened in response to Q5.1.8 (Breaches of EU law), how many involved breaches of:
6.1.1 Public procurement? 0
6.1.2 Financial services, products and markets, and prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing? 0
6.1.3 Product safety and compliance? 0
6.1.4 Transport safety? 0
6.1.5 Protection of the environment? 0
6.1.6 Radiation protection and nuclear safety? 0
6.1.7 Food and feed safety and animal health and welfare? 0
6.1.8 Public health? 0
6.1.9 Consumer protection? 0
6.1.10 Protection of privacy and personal data and security of networks and information systems? 0
6.1.11 The financial interests of the EU? 0
6.1.12 The functioning of the EU Internal Market? 0

7 Proceedings Initiated
7.1 How many proceedings were initiated on foot of investigations in the calendar year? 0
7.2 How many cases were referred to another body to initiate proceedings in the calendar year? 0
7.3 What was the average length (in weeks) of the proceedings that concluded in the calendar year? 0
7.4 What was the median length (in weeks) of the proceedings that concluded in the calendar year? 0

8 Subject of proceedings initiated
8.1 Of the proceedings initiated or referred to another body in the calendar year reported in response to Q7.1, how many involved:
8.1.1 Criminal offences? 0
8.1.2 Breaches of a legal obligation? 0
8.1.3 Misconduct of justice? 0
8.1.4 Endangerment of health and safety? 0
8.1.5 Damage to the environment? 0
8.1.6 Unlawful or improper use of public funds? 0
8.1.7 Acts or omissions that are oppressive, discriminatory or grossly negligent or constitute gross mismanagement? 0
8.1.8 Breaches of the EU law within the scope of Article 2 of Directive (EU) 2019/1937 (the Whistleblowing Directive)? 0
8.1.9 Concealment or destruction of evidence of any of the above wrongdoing? 0

9 Subject of proceedings initiated - Breaches of EU law
9.1 Of the proceedings reported as initiated in response to Q8.1.8 (Breaches of EU law), how many involved breaches of:
9.1.1 Public procurement? 0
9.1.2 Financial services, products and markets, and prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing? 0
9.1.3 Product safety and compliance? 0
9.1.4 Transport safety? 0
9.1.5 Protection of the environment? 0
9.1.6 Radiation protection and nuclear safety? 0
9.1.7 Food and feed safety and animal health and welfare? 0
9.1.8 Public health? 0
9.1.9 Consumer protection? 0
9.1.10 Protection of privacy and personal data and security of networks and information systems? 0
9.1.11 The financial interests of the EU? 0
9.1.12 The functioning of the EU Internal Market? 0

10 Outcome of proceedings
10.1 Of the proceedings reported as initiated how many resulted in:
10.1.1 Criminal prosecution? 0
10.1.2 Fines or other financial penalties? 0
10.1.3 Recovery of lost funds? 0
10.1.4 Award of damages? 0
10.1.5 Other enforcement action? 0
10.1.6 No outcome? 0
10.2 Of the proceedings reported as initiated, what (where relevant) is the estimated financial damage arising from the wrongdoing reported? € -
10.3 Of the proceedings reported as initiated, what (where relevant) is the total value of fines and/or other financial penalties imposed as a result of these proceedings? € -
10.4 Of the proceedings reported as initiated, what (where relevant) is the estimated amount of funds recovered as a result of proceedings? € -

11 Anonymous reports
11.1 Of the total number of reports received in response to Q2, how many were made anonymously? 0
11.2 How many investigations were opened in response to anonymous reports in the calendar year? 0
11.3 How many proceedings were opened in response to anonymous reports in the calendar year? 0
11.4 How many anonymous reporting persons subsequently disclosed their identity in the calendar year? 0