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Dear Panagiotis

Vice Chancellor's Early Career Researcher Development Awards 2017-18

The Vice Chancellor's Early Career Researcher Development Awards are highly competitive, prestigious grants, given for high quality proposals to achieve excellent research outcomes from emerging research stars. I am delighted to confirm that your application was successful and that you have been awarded £12,640 for your research '**An Adaptive, User-driven and Privacy-award Recommendation System for Online App Stores**'.

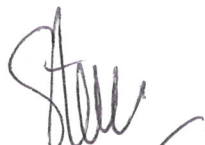
The Panel felt that this was 'a solid application from an individual who is well-positioned to use the award to springboard into externally-funded research'. Please note that the panel agreed to fund a reduced award - the proposed extended visit to Japan was felt not to be fully justified and so non-pay costs have been reduced by £1,450 accordingly.

Please note the award conditions appended to this letter.

This is one of 23 awards made this year to early career researchers in excellent and emerging areas of research at UWE, and we hope that this will, in due course, lead to significant impact, drive knowledge exchange and progress your research career. If you would like to receive further feedback on your application, please contact your Associate Dean (R&KE), Professor Glenn Lyons.

I would like to invite you to a reception for all new VC ECR Award holders on Monday 19th June from 12.15 to 13.15 in Room 2E25 (just off One Zone). I hope that you will be able to attend. An Outlook invitation will be sent to you shortly.

Many congratulations on this award and my best wishes for your research. I look forward to hearing about the outcomes from your project.



Professor Steven West
Vice-Chancellor, President and Chief Executive Officer

Cc Professor Glenn Lyons, Associate Dean (R&KE), FET
Jane Berry, Head of Department (Acting), Computer Science and Creative
Dr Zaheer Khan, Research Mentor

Conditions of the award:

As the holder of a Vice Chancellor's Early Career Researcher Development Award you will be expected to attend career development activities provided at various points in the academic year and you should also aim to take part in other appropriate training and development opportunities over the course of your Award. We will contact you during the year for an update on your progress, and continuation of project grants will be conditional on satisfactory progress. Your project should be completed and funds spent by 31 July 2018. You will be required to provide and present a final report which will include an account of the use of funds, the direct outputs from the grant and your future research plans.

All projects are expected to generate a substantial bid to an external funder to continue the research and build your research career. Support in identifying sources of funds and developing bids will be provided by RBI if required.

Please ensure that you have familiarised yourself with the University's Code of Good Research Conduct, and in particular please consider whether you need to apply for research ethics approval and ensure that you allow sufficient time to do this.

We are intending to organise an Early Career Researcher conference in the autumn when some of this year's VC ECR award holders will be presenting their work. I hope you will be able to attend. We will also use this as an opportunity to bring the VC ECR award holders together to identify any further support they may need and enable them to discuss their projects.