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### **ROYALS CAMPUS WILL BOOST EAST LONDON REGENERATION**

**More than 700 permanent jobs would be created by the development of a new university campus in East London's Royal Docks, a study by management consultants Touche Ross has revealed. The project would sustain an additional 450 full-time construction jobs per year over the projected six years of construction.**

**The Royals University College, proposed for a 25 acre site on the north side of the Royal Albert Dock, could "create a flagship project for the Thames Gateway region capable of making a significant contribution to the regeneration of the area", the report concludes.**

**The study was commissioned by the consortium backing the scheme to investigate the likely economic impact of the College on East London. It confirms that the University College would not only be a large employer and spender in its own right but would also benefit local communities "on a wide range of fronts", including education and training opportunities for local people.**

**The consortium includes four universities led by the University of East London, the London Docklands Development Corporation (LDDC), LETEC (London East Training & Enterprise Council) and the London Borough of Newham.**

**The College could ultimately generate an estimated total annual income of £21.5 million, based on a gradual build-up over five years to 3,350 full time and almost 1,900 part-time students plus up to 700 training places funded by LETEC.**

**The projected cost of the academic buildings is £31 million, with an additional £19 million required to build student residences together with retail, community and leisure facilities. Touche Ross predict that the project will generate direct and secondary spending of more than £200 million over a 20 year period (at current values).**

**Spending by staff, students and visitors to the College would generate a further 500 permanent jobs in the local area as well as 200 full-time equivalent permanent teaching posts.**

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New companies would be attracted to the area, stimulating the local economy even further. An adjacent 25 acre site is currently being marketed for the development of a Science and Technology Park which could generate between 350 and 500 additional jobs and a level of local spending comparable to the College itself.

Existing local businesses are also expected to benefit, particularly those in activities offered by the College - such as business technology, media and health - through direct access to technology transfer facilities, joint development projects and training and advisory programmes.

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#### NOTE TO EDITORS

- \* **Funding**  
A bid to the Government Office for London for an allocation from last year's Single Regeneration Budget (SRB) was unsuccessful. A second bid is currently being prepared for submission for funding the Technology Institute, the cornerstone of the venture. Other funding is being sought from private and public sources both in the UK and mainland Europe.
  
- \* **The Consortium**  
The consortium members are the University of East London, Queen Mary & Westfield College (University of London), London Guildhall University and the City University, the London Docklands Development Corporation, the London Borough of Newham and LETEC (London East Training & Enterprise Council).