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## THE-ICE Research Grant Scheme (RGS) 2023 Recipient

## **Mr Leonard Cseh**

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Mr Leonard Cseh is responsible for developing professional standards and employability within University of Derby's student body. He works with internal and external partners to provide their students with real world learning opportunities to develop their academic and professional skills. Leonard's industry experience includes extended employment, over 16 years, in private country clubs, Michelin starred properties and country house hotels in management positions in the UK, Italy and USA.

He has published papers in several peer reviewed journals, and has submitted and had accepted, papers to research conferences on flow state enhancing culinary arts

programmes; and another paper on Real World Learning in Culinary Arts programmes. Leonard delivers modules across the institution's suite of undergraduate and post graduate hospitality programmes, ranging from sustainable operations to innovation and facilities within the service sector. He is a senior Fellow of the HEA and the Institute of Hospitality.

Leonard is responsible for programme leadership of MBA Global (Shipping, Hospitality & MBA) for their collaborative partners in Malta, Greece, Qatar, Geneva, and Barcelona. He is also programme leader for UG International Hospitality Management with responsibility for provision in the UK, Qatar, Greece, and London. Leonard is also link tutor for the MBA programme at Domain Academy in Malta. Leonard's duties for the last several years have included working on the university employability agenda, where he has worked with UK, European, and US based employers to develop employability strategies to support student learning.

Leonard is an external examiner to other Higher Education Institution's, and reviews sample scripts from UG & PG programmes delivered in the UK and across global partners. This is to ensure that staff maintain nationally (and internationally) comparable standards in undergraduate, postgraduate taught and postgraduate research degree programmes. His current research activities are linked to Transnational Education which he anticipates beginning a doctoral research programme from September 2023.