

## IT BUSINESS PARTNERS SUPPORTING RESEARCH

The IT Business Partners are your link to the **specialist support available within IT Services.** They can **help you** when considering your research needs and having early conversations will be particularly **beneficial for you** ahead of your grant preparation or other collaborations to:

- Help us understand what you require for your research and identify if IT Services can support your IT needs.
- Ensure when you engage with your supplier or planning your research that IT security and compliance has been considered so that the **University's** minimum security baseline will be met. This could take some time so early conversations will save time further down the line or may help you to make an informed decision about alternative options.
- Ensure you have considered and identified **all IT costs**, including ongoing support costs for the lifetime of the project/grant (IT Services are unable to support any third-party supplier work).
- Discuss data storage, management and security.
- Advise what you need to do if you **change your scope** pre-or post-award.
- Discuss post-project requirements and grant regulations, particularly for data disposal/retention and associated costs.
- Consider timescales relating to IT Services resource, processes or third-party engagement and factor in realistic timescales as these could impact on your planned research award start/end dates.

Please contact the team direct at itbusinesspartnering@liverpool.ac.uk

