

n EUCEN news

E d i t o r i a l

Welcome to the first issue of EUCENews, the new communication tool of EUCEN.

EUCENews is the voice of the members. By now around 135 universities have joined the network. You all have exciting ideas. You are involved in research and development projects. New courses are organised. You need new partners. This is the place where you can communicate news and be informed about what other members are doing and how UCE is evolving.

EUCENews will be published three times a year with seven main sections. **What's on** brings you news from the Steering Committee. **Conferences** tell you about major annual events. **Welcome** introduces new members and associates. **Calling EU** provides key information from Brussels. **Focus on** will highlight national debates and european developments. **Market place** provides an opportunity for members to look for partners or offer their services. **Member's info** is the place to tell others about innovator projects or activities you have been or will be involved in. And last but not least **Late news** is a place for last minute information.

EUCENews will be successful. Members will actively participate and contribute. The editorial team is ready to receive messages and suggestions at any time (see last page). Get in touch soon!

The Editorial Board

The most recent meetings were in London on 20-21 June and by video conference on 3 October. The next will be in December 1997.

New treasurer

Filip Santy is the new Treasurer. He is based at the Kortrijk Campus of the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
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Thank you

Thanks to EUCEN Assistants: Lyonel Chalant, Christian Exl, Paulo Gusmo and Helena Velosa. We wish them all good luck in their future careers.

Communication Group

EUCEN has a new Communication Group chaired by Marjatta Häti-Korkeila and reporting to the Steering Committee. It will act as the Editorial Board for this Newsletter (see back page for details) and will also be responsible for developing the whole communication and marketing strategy of EUCEN including for example the Journal, the Website and Conference Proceedings.

Santander Group

Victor de Kosinsky has joined the Executive board of the Santander Group as the representative of EUCEN.

ODL

Alfredo Soiero will be attending the International Council for Open and Distance Learning in Lisbon 29-31 October 1997 on behalf of EUCEN.

Collaboration

EUCEN goes East. In a few days over the Easter holiday, EUCEN was able to propose two experts in Continuing Education to visit Uzbekistan. Unfortunately, they were not ready to receive us but as a result we were invited to propose a team to Tashkent and it looks as though this will now happen in the near future.

Expertise

EUCEN has registered as a source of expertise in research and consultancy services in the field of education, training and youth with DGXXII. We have also registered with CEDEFOP as experts in Vocational Education and Training.

Latin America

EUCEN is planning to meet the newly formed Latin American network of universities for continuing education -RECLA- in Turin, 12-14 May 1998. Watch out for further information if you would like to participate. Information about the meeting will be sent to EUCEN representative.

Thenuece

The Network in University Continuing Education continues to be successful. It is the first time that national reports on university continuing education have been produced and collected together from all the countries of Europe.

National links

EUCEN has now have formal links with 5 national networks.
Finland - Yliopistojen täydennyskoulutuskeskusten johtajien neuvosto.
France - Conférence des Directeurs de services universitaires de formation continue.
Germany - Arbeitskreis Universität Erwachsenenbildung (AUE).
Switzerland - Groupe de travail des services de formation continue universitaire
UK - Universities Association for Continuing Education (UACE)

**Competition - collaboration:
a challenge for UCE**

Next

**Dublin, Ireland -
15-16 October**

EU Networks
conference including
our Network:TheNuce
Further information:
avsoeiro@garfield.
fe.up.pt

**Dublin, Ireland -
17-19 October**

14th EUCEN
conference:
Encouraging Creativity
and Innovation
Further information:
conference
secretariat
Scpdu@Ulster.ac.uk

**Orebro, Sweden -
13-16 May 1998**

15th EUCEN
conference:
Pedagogics and
Practice in Lifelong
Learning
Further information:
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**Warsaw, Poland -
Mid September 1998**

16th EUCEN
conference
Further information:
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1999
Reykjavik, Iceland
Joensuu, Finland

2000
London, England
Hannover, Germany

Lausanne, Switzerland - April 1997, 13th EUCEN conference: A great success! 115 people attended from 21 countries and collaboration won the day! Ricardo Petrella got the event off to a lively start with a very provocative contribution. He convincingly challenged what has become the conventional wisdom that competition is both inevitable and desirable in the modern world. We then heard numerous examples of successful cooperation between member universities and enterprises. And we thank the 5 Swiss Universities (Fribourg, Geneva, Lausanne, Neuchâtel and the EPFL) who together organised the conference, for giving us a shining example of the theme.

Conference proceedings are available on the Web:
<http://www-sfc.unil.ch./EUCEN/Proceedings-13th-Conf>



**Continuing Education for
Professionals**

Catania, Italy - Autumn 1996, 12th EUCEN conference: The conference proceedings have now been published and distributed. If you have not received your copy or you would like additional copies contact EUCEN General Secretariat:

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conferences

**Aachen University of Technology
(RWTH), Germany**

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BTW offers a range of courses in science and technology but also acts as a focal point for the whole region in research and development projects and in the collection and exchange of information between science and industry

**University of Zurich
Switzerland**

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The University of Zurich offers continuing education for professionals in the fields of economy, psychology, computer sciences, languages, health etc as well as transdisciplinary projects.

**Sibelius Academy,
Helsinki, Finland**

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Sibelius Academy is the only postgraduate music academy in Finland. It offers a wide range of courses for singers and musicians but also for those working in recording, production and music journalism.

**Welcome
to all new members!
We look forward to
receiving 10 lines from
each of you
highlighting the
activities
or services in
continuing education
you would especially
like us
all to know about.**

F r a n c e Validation des acquis

The Directorate for Higher Education at the Ministry of Education has adopted an action plan to develop and promote the accreditation of prior learning, APL (validation des acquis professionnels, VAP) in universities across France. This includes training sessions for teachers and other personnel in universities, particularly in continuing education, and consultancy days in which universities can have the use of experts to help them work out their specific problems. The whole programme is organised by a Working Party which is chaired by Michel Feutrie Information: Michel Feutrie michel.feutrie@univ-lille1.fr

F i n l a n d Private ? Public ?

A big debate has been going on over the last year since the Ministry of Education set up a Working Group to consider whether continuing education should be operated on the principles of a private company and separated from the rest of the universities' activities. The conclusion is that continuing education is one of the main tasks of a university and should therefore stay within but should also be more self financing and businesslike.

Visits

The Finnish Directors of university continuing education go on a study visit each year to another country. Previous visits have been to the Netherlands, France, Ireland, USA, UK and Canada. This year they are going to Germany. We look forward to receiving a post card.

K A L E I D O S C O P E

This programme is the only one which aims to encourage **artistic and cultural** project and promote knowledge and dissemination of culture and cultural life.
Call for applications OJ C 253 pp4-7
Closing date: **1 December 1997**
Further information: DG X/D1.Culture Unit
Fax: +32 2 299 9238

B A S E

BASE is a Socrates project supported by DGXXII. It has produced a paper catalogue and CD-rom containing **informations on 350 European multimedia publishers**. The CD-rom includes : information about the production companies with examples of their products, a detailed analysis of national trends in Germany, England, Spain, France, Greece, Italy and Portugal with an overview of the European market as a whole - a catalogue of 900 CD roms, organised by topic, language, and publishers. With a detailed description of each item (title, type, objectives, content, languages available, configuration, price etc.

further information :

ORAVEP, 6, bd St Denis F-75001 Paris

Guildford Educational Services Limited, 32 Castel Street. Guilford, Surrey GU1 3 UW. UK



E S P R I T

ESPRIT is launching a new initiative : **information technology applied to training in industry**.

The topics proposed are : individuals learning, group, learning, the organisation of training of company level
Three type of projects will be possible :

- ☐ the development of validation and integration
- ☐ research and development projects
- ☐ demonstration projects.

A budget of 25 MECU is planned for this programme

Further information :

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REPRESENTATION

EUCEN is represented on the Task Force Educational Software and Multimedia by Elizabeth Royston of UCL.

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Reports from the Task Force can be found on the <http://www.echo.lu>

CONSULTANTS

Consultancy services in the field of Industrial Relations:
Call for expressions of interest OJ S 157. An invitation to tender for a wide range of consultancy services - open until 1 August 2000. Further information from: DG V - Employment, Industrial Relations and Social Affairs.
Fax: +32 2 296 6049

CORDIS

Don't forget a good source of free information about the EU is Cordis Focus published twice a month.

Further information:
fax +352 4301 32084

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Executive management
for hotel and catering
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WANTED

Illetrisme (recherche
et ingénierie de
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Extension of further
and higher continuing
education to excluded
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PROJECT

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WANTED

Open and distance
learning, with reference
to adult learners
/exluded groups
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Spanish and English as a
foreign language for
adults, small group of
different levels
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PROGRAMME

PARTNERS IN

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learning participation
in continuing
education.
Lifelong learning in
small states European
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education and training
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WANTED

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RESEARCH

Formation des adultes

The Universities of Strasbourg and Nancy are involved in the organisation of a conference in January 1998 in Strasbourg: **La Formation des adultes entre utopies et pragmatismes?** Further information from: <http://www.ulp.u-strasbg.fr>

Publication

The Ministry of Education in Finland has just published a book on the **principles and development of the Open University**, in English. The full reference is: Open University in Finland, by Lotta Parjanen, ISBN 951-53-1286-8 Available from the Ministry of Education in Helsinki.

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for sending
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board 15th
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Language trainers

The LEONARDO project for **Language trainers**, coordinated by the University of Bristol has now been completed. Some exciting insights came from the exchange visits between the partners.

The final report is available on <http://www.bris.ac.uk/Depts/ContEd/EUCEN/EL>

Management of Technology

The Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne and the University of Lausanne have created a new programme: Management of Technology.

It is an **interdisciplinary-programme** enabling people from different backgrounds to create new ventures crossing the traditional boundaries between engineering and business cultures. The training includes practical work in a company and courses in Lausanne and in the USA. Further information from: <http://www.epfl.ch/mot/index.htm>

UACE conference

The annual conference of the national association for university continuing education (UACE) was held outside the UK for the first time: in Dublin, Ireland - a very appropriate place for the theme of the conference: Partnership for Development. Members were addressed by the former Irish President, Mary Robinson, who presented her vision of how lifelong learning can make a greater contribution to equality and regeneration both locally and globally.

Victor de Kosinsky presented EUCEN and several participants asked for more information so we expect some new members from this event.

member's info



was created in 1991 to represent interests of Europe's universities in the field of continuing education now has over 135 member institutions. Commissioner Edith Cresson is the current Chancellor.

EUCEN's activities

include
networking lobbying
publishing
collaborating.

EUCEN has an active presence on Internet including the electronic publication of the European Journal of Continuing Education

See our Web Site
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