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Abstract

The need for stronger links between engineering schools and industry is discussed. The role of postgraduate courses and of short courses in developing those links is emphasized.

A postgraduate MSc course on Structural Engineering, organized by the Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Porto, starting October 1981, is presented, and the previous experience of this Department in the field is described.

The curriculum of this postgraduate course is compared with curricula of similar courses of foreign universities, and the collaboration of academics from British, French, and American universities is emphasized.

A short review of initiatives of this Department in the field of short courses is carried out.

The relevance of the initiatives in the context of the present situation of Portugal is discussed, particularly taking into account the future membership of the EEC.

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