

International Conference on e-Learning and the Knowledge Society e-Learning'09

On August 31 and September 01 the University of Applied Sciences - Berlin hosted the fifth in turn **International Conference on e-Learning and the Knowledge Society e-Learning'09**. Patrons of the conference are the European Commission through its Life-Long Learning Programme. Only papers with two favourable reviews from members of the Programme Committee, which includes leading scientists from around the Europe, were accepted.

The Plenary Session was opened with a greeting address from the Vice President of the University of Applied Sciences - Prof. Dr Hans-Herwig Atzorn.



The Plenary Session comprised of the following papers:

- The New Generations of Students and the Future of e-Learning in Higher Education
Aneliya Ivanova, Angel Smrikarov
- Enterprise Information Retrieval
Leon Rothkrantz



After the Plenary Session the participants took a tour around the University of Applied Sciences, and had a social evening at the AGA'S restaurant.



The papers - a total of 45 - were allocated in four sections:

- e-Learning – Innovations and Trends - 11;
- e-Learning – Solutions - 10;
- Knowledge Society - 10;
- Poster Session - 14;

Scientists from 23 European countries participated in the conference with papers or as listeners.



Following nominations by the section chairpersons, the Programme Committee awarded "**BEST PAPER**" crystal prizes and honorary diplomas to the authors of the plenary reports as well as the following papers:

Section 1: "e-Learning – Innovations and Trends"

- Influence of Personality on Information Diffusion in e-Learning Networks
Wladimir Bodrow, Markus Helfert, Martin Steinicke
- Assessment of the Emotional States of Students during e-Learning
Leon Rothkrantz, Dragos Datcu, Iulia Chiriacescu, Alin Chitu

Section 2: "e-Learning – Solutions"

- Meta-Cognitive Tool Development to Improve e-Learning Environment
Dilek Karahoca, Adem Karahoca, Ilker Yengin, Huseyin Uzunboylu, Ali Güngör
- A Computer-Based Approach for Software Engineering Teaching
Violeta Bozhikova, Nadezhda Ruskova

Section 3: "Knowledge Society"

- Semantic Application Integration by Learning Ontologies
Bojan Cestnik, Stojan Košti
- Experience of Continuous Expansion of Adaptive Knowledge Assessment System's Functionality based on Testing Results
Janis Grundspenkis

The prizes were provided by the Conference sponsors and were handed out by Prof. W. Bodrow. The awarded papers will be proposed for publishing in the "Automatica and Informatics" Scientific Journal.



The Coordinator of the ETN TRICE expressed his gratitude to the hosts and organizers of the conference – the partners from the University of Applied Sciences – Berlin, and the company COMHARD GmbH.



Thanks were rendered personally to Prof. Wladimir Bodrow – Co-Chair of the Programme Committee and to Mr. Robert Fisher – Co-Chair of the Organizing Committee, for their efforts to make the event successful.



All the participants and guests of the conference share the opinion that its main goal "to intensify the information exchange of the results in theoretical research and practical developments in the field of e-Learning and m-Learning" has been widely achieved.

The proceedings have been published on paper as well as electronically on the conference Web site – <http://www.elearningconf09.comhard.eu/>. All the papers are written in English, which is a premise for their popularization, referencing and quoting by other authors.

The organization of ***e-Learning'10*** is already on the way. It will take place on August 30 and 31, 2010, in the city of Riga. More information about this conference is available at: <http://www.elearningconf10.eu/>. Scientists from all European countries, members of the **European Thematic Network for Teaching, Research and Innovations in Computing Education**, are expected to join in the conference proceedings.