



European Civil Engineering Education and Training Association

EUCEET Association

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Dear colleague,

As you know our application for a new EUCEET project (SSIGE) has not been successful. The major criticism was that the proposal was not innovative enough. I agree with this judgment for part of the proposal. Some issues that we proposed were indeed very similar to what has already been done during EUCEET and also in other projects, as they mention EUGENE (e.g. attractiveness, Bologna follow up, enhancing mobility), but I am convinced that some topics were innovative e.g.:

- Theme A3: *“Innovative themes in civil engineering programmes: energy saving, intelligent structures and systems, sustainable use and re-use of natural resources a.o.”*, lead partner: City University London, that I proposed in Patras and Paris.

- Theme B3: *“Increasing the awareness of advances in engineering education research: create an e-hub for civil engineering educators”*, lead partner: National Technical University of Athens, proposed by Prof. Marina Pantazidou.

-Theme A2: *“Implementing learning outcomes and student-centered methodologies in civil engineering programmes following the Tuning approach”*, lead partner: Technical University of Civil Engineering Bucharest, proposed by Prof. Iacint Manoliu.

Therefore we could consider the resubmit a better proposal on *“Innovation in civil engineering education”*.

To prepare such proposal we could devote a seminar in the morning of the GA in Pisa to *“Innovation in civil engineering education”*.

The seminar could consist of 2 parts.

In the first part, 3 presentations of 30' each on innovative aspects in civil engineering education will be made.

- I will present the proposal that I made on innovation in civil engineering curricula.
- Prof. Marina Pantazidou will make a presentation with the title *“Engineering Education Research meets Engineering Instruction: Innovations in Civil Engineering Education”*.
- Prof. F. Fantozzi and Prof. F. Leccese from Pisa University will make the presentation on *“Role of Building Physics in the Civil Engineering Curricula”*.

In the second part of the seminar, short contributions (5-10') from participants are expected.

In the afternoon a plenary discussion or brain storming with the EUCEET members on the subject of *“innovation in engineering education”* will take place. All this should provide the material to prepare a new application.

The programme in the afternoon will continue with the formal GA.

The agenda of the General Assembly will be sent to the members by the end of this month.

Many thanks for your support.

With best regards,

Prof. Jean Berlamont

President of the EUCEET Association