Network of Higher Education Institutions

SPACE EUROPEAN NETWORK FOR BUSINESS STUDIES AND LANGUAGES
WHAT IS SPACE NETWORK?

A European/ international network of predominantly professional HEI’s including universities & VET schools servicing researchers, teachers and students on levels 5, 6 and 7, in the field of

· Business
· Languages
· Entrepreneurship
· Hospitality
· Tourism
SPACE network was created in 1989. We started as an Erasmus ICP (Interuniversity Cooperation Project), in which only some of our members could officially benefit from EU funding, namely those that had university or semi-university status.

The system of ICP continued to exist till 1998, which means that for a period of 8/9 years the network was supported by EU money, paying for staff and student exchange, and which enabled us to survive at low costs for the member institutions. It also gave us an official status within these institutions, and explains why in SPACE we now have this odd mix of post-secondary institutions next to Universities of Applied Sciences and full-fledged universities, through their business faculties.
It provides:

• participation in a wide range of prestigious projects
• assistance in the submission & management of European projects
• new teaching & learning methods
• conceptual & applied research/innovation
• a space for sharing & dissemination of new teaching and learning materials & methodologies, research & innovation, outcomes of projects
GENERAL ACTIVITIES

► Annual General Meeting and Conference
► Annual project meeting in autumn
► Annual publication of Journal of advances in higher education
► Special Committee Meetings
► Monthly Skype Meetings
► Networking
► Involvement in Projects
► Sharing courses & teaching techniques (workshops, e-learning,...)
► News letters
Advantages of belonging to an international network:

✓ Find opportunities to raise your profile & build connections
✓ Surround yourself with positive, uplifting people that help you to grow & thrive
✓ Get fresh ideas & perspectives
✓ Work & innovate together
ADVANTAGES OF BELONGING TO AN INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

✓ Receive advice & support from peers with different cultural backgrounds
✓ Shared knowledge = expanded knowledge
✓ Learn to see things from different perspectives & avoid pitfalls
ADVANTAGES OF BEING A MEMBER OF SPACE NETWORK

Conference

- Reduced Conference fee for members: €400 or €350 (early bird)
- Have one representative of your institution present at the AGM for proposals
- Possibility to hold the next Conference at your institution

Projects

- Professional assistance in European Higher Education projects
- Priority invitations to be a partner in projects of SPACE
ADVANTAGES OF BEING A MEMBER OF SPACE NETWORK

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- Access to the electronic learning, information and exchange platform
- Find new teaching materials, courses, etc. or share your own materials

Website

- Have your events, initiatives, etc. announced on the SPACE website under “News” and reach a broad audience
ADVANTAGES OF BEING A MEMBER OF SPACE NETWORK

Other networks

- Since SPACE also has a connection with other networks (ex: EURASHE), this allows members to have a voice in those networks as well, even not being a member there

Extras

- EBC*L – European Business Competence License
- SQORE – case competitions
- Open to new ideas/ initiatives
- ...

## OTHER NETWORKS & ORGANIZATIONS
Sharing, Collaborating, Participating

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MANAGEMENT BODIES: THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- Represents all members: **1 vote per member institution**
- Associate members can attend as observers
- Meets once a year at the Annual General Meeting
- Responsible for the modification of the statutes, the admission and removal of members and the approval of accounts and budgets
 MANAGEMENT BODIES: THE COUNCIL

• Comprises the members of the Board, the Committee/Section Chairs and 1 national representative from each member country: **1 vote per country**
• Associate members can attend as an observer without voting right
• Meets at least once a year
• A forum for discussion of the Association’s strategic policy and a link between the national committees and the Board
• The role of the Council is to prepare the General Assembly and to defend the interest of the members in his/her country
MANAGEMENT BODIES: THE BOARD

- President of SPACE network
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3 Keynote speakers

2 Workshops

CONFERENCE APRIL 2017 – PORTO, PORTUGAL
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13 Paper presentations, including 1 from Brasil and 1 from Russia

Gala dinner in a typical ‘O Fado’ restaurant
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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