



EADTU Working Conference 2005

Towards Lisbon 2010:

Collaboration for Innovative Content in Lifelong Open and Flexible Learning

for deans, programme directors,
teaching staff and policy makers

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The EADTU Working Conference 2005 is dedicated to:

- **innovative course content**
- **collaboration at the Bachelor and Master level**
- **lifelong and flexible learning**
- **course content in an e-learning context**

The 2005 Conference will therefore be a working and meeting place with delegates of European universities, interested in bilateral or multilateral cooperation.

This EADTU Conference will be hosted by "Il Network per l'Universita Ovunque" (**Nettuno**) in Rome. Nettuno is a unique and extended Network University offering education through state-of-the-art technology, utilising the Internet as well as television. Its education is characterised by high quality and advanced multimedia integration. Its structure includes 34 supplying universities.

A participant will be enabled to:

- share innovative concepts for curriculum and course development and cooperation in a variety of disciplines and within a LOF-learning and e-learning context
- share new approaches with regard to employability, flexibility, virtual mobility, credit transfer, joint certificates/degrees and quality for bachelor and master programmes aimed at LOF-learning and e-learning
- network for the development of bilateral or multiple partnerships/consortia for joint courses or programmes by discipline

- participate in keynote sessions on LOF-learning by HE-institutions, National and European Politicians and Businesses on: LOF-learning, employability, on- and off-campus open and flexible learning, joint actions, virtual mobility, Bachelor/Master implementation, quality assurance and accreditation

Conference target groups:

- Deans, programme directors and staff of bachelor and master programmes, interested in open and flexible learning approaches higher education and educational co-operation
- Rectors, vice-rectors, principles for education, innovation and international relations
- R&D experts dealing with curriculum and course development and collaborative approaches in higher education
- Educational support services
- E-learning operators that can facilitate processes of course and programme co-operation and content management

Improve your course content

Participants have the opportunity to touch ground amongst peers and gain momentum for reaching your institutional goals: improving course content and quality to attract lifelong learners, meeting strategic partners for advanced academic networking, collaboration in any form and intensity you wish.



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Joint initiatives for joint success

Workshops in parallel sessions by discipline within which ample opportunities for cooperation and collaboration between educational institutions can be explored and exploited. These workshops are chaired by deans of member organisations and chairs of EADTU's Academic Networks.

Standards of excellence in e-learning

Assessing the quality of your e-learning programmes.

How to make lifelong learning work for you

In to-the-point keynote presentations, lifelong learning will be highlighted from the view of experts in the field as well as involved policy makers. Attention will be given to the relation on-campus / off-campus schemes.

Prime subjects are

- *Academic cooperation:*

Joint course and curriculum development, multimedia integration and networked learning, capacity sharing by integration of staff and students, joint degrees, virtual mobility, domestic & foreign diploma recognition, complementarities of expertise for curriculum co-operation, LOF learning, cooperation for a better regional, national and European position.

- *Institutional and international competitiveness:*

Participation / accessibility in higher education, employability, retention, regional and national market share, student attractiveness, marketing, stakeholder relations, international projects, quality assurance & accreditation.

Widening participation

This year's Conference is a prolongation of EADTU's conferences to contribute to the creation of a European Area of Higher Education. EADTU takes it up as a major challenge and regards the organisation of its 2005 Working Conference as an essential stimulus for the awareness of the [Bologna process](#) and its continuation through the [Lisbon strategies](#).

According to the Lisbon strategy, the EU wants to be the world leading knowledge-based economy by 2010. It foresees in the formulation of a European line of action in which lifelong learning as an important component, is given high priority. The emphasis on the importance of lifelong learning and knowledge in economic life endorses that EU member states must achieve a substantial increase and widening of participation in higher education.

The educational system is challenged to boost its performance to levels never witnessed before.

Programme

On the programme are: keynote presentations, parallel tracks on collaborative actions and discipline-oriented workshops.

Programme Committee

The chair of the international Programme Committee (PC) is Prof. Maria Amato Garito, the General Director of [Nettuno](#), which hosts this year's conference. The PC includes EADTU Board members, deans and chairs of Academic Networks.

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