



The First CGU- WACE
Joint International Symposium
&

WACE's Seventh International Symposium
on Work Integrated Learning

***Challenging Higher Education:
Developing Enterprising Graduates
for a Changing World of Work***

***Madrid, Spain
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in conjunction with Universidad Politécnica de Madrid



Call for Abstracts

Paper, Panel & Poster Sessions

INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION

The First International Symposium sponsored by the Compostela Group of Universities (CGU) and the World Association for Cooperative Education (WACE) for faculty researchers, policy makers, WIL practitioners and Industry & Government Executives.

In the present changing world of work, it is essential to integrate the classroom into the workplace to achieve relevance in higher education and its international dimension, while also emphasizing the need for more entrepreneurial education. Through the different panels and sessions of the International Symposium, the participants will have the opportunity to explore how these goals can be achieved, both by learning from each other's experience and more accurately linking WIL to globalisation.

WACE

The World Association for Cooperative Education is an international organization devoted to promoting Work Integrated Learning (WIL). WACE unites academic, government, and corporate leaders in 50 countries to examine the impact of WIL on global workforce development. WACE has nearly 700 members representing over 150 institutions and communicates with over 2,500 WIL colleagues. WACE implements annual conferences, symposia, and institutes attracting nearly 1,000 participants. WACE advances WIL by: Publishing Books, Conducting Research, Providing WIL Consultancy, Presenting International Symposia, Developing Workshops & Institutes, Planning World and Regional Conferences, Supporting an International Network of WIL Professionals, and Co-sponsoring the *Journal for Cooperative Education & Internships*.

CGU

The Compostela Group of Universities is a large, prominent, open and inclusive network of more than 70 universities of 26 countries worldwide whose overarching goal is to facilitate and promote cooperation in the higher education sector. It achieves this by acting as platform to foster and support projects among its members as well as by participating in activities as an entity in its own right. At present, it develops and finances working groups on different areas of interest, such as multi-linguism and multiculturalism, European studies, or gender issues; activities such as the STELLA, a programme for motilities of non-academic staff among its member institutions; and participates as coordinator or partner in a number of EC projects, such as Tempus-MEDA, SOCRATES thematic networks, GRUNDTVIG training courses or ERASMUS MUNDUS.

BREAK OUT SESSION INFORMATION

The First CGU – WACE Joint International Symposium & WACE's Seventh International Symposium on Work Integrated Learning has been developed around **three foci: Policy, Practice & Pedagogy, and Research**, which will comprise the content of the break out sessions.

❖ **Paper Sessions**

Paper presentations, with one or two presenters, will be scheduled for 60 minutes with indicatively 45 minutes of presentation and 15 minutes of discussion.

Please submit your abstract (max. of 250 words), denoting a Policy, Practice & Pedagogy, or Research focus, and your personal details using the [Abstract Submission Form](#) (please find form via the "The First CGU-WACE Joint International Symposium & WACE's 7th International Symposium on Work Integrated Learning" link on our website, www.waceinc.org)

❖ **Paper Panel Sessions**

Panels, with three or more presenters, will be scheduled for 60 minutes.

Please submit a panel abstract (max. of 250 words), denoting a Policy, Practice & Pedagogy, or Research focus, and panelists' personal details using the [Abstract Submission Form](#) (please use instructions above)

❖ **Poster Sessions**

One 45 minute session in large room which accommodates a significant number of presenters to simultaneously display and discuss their posters. Each Poster Presenter will prepare a poster which addresses one of the International Symposium's foci. Delegates will walk around the room visiting these stations.

Schedule for Abstracts, Papers, and Registration

- Deadline for all abstracts: July 1, 2008
- Feedback on acceptances: August 15, 2008
- Deadline for full papers (optional as per presenter(s)): October 15, 2008
- Deadline for Presenters' Registration: October 1, 2008
- Deadline for Early Registration: October 1, 2008
- Registration: After October 1, 2008

As we are dedicated to providing the best, most beneficial International Symposium for you and your colleagues, please do not hesitate to contact **Ms. Michelle Lennox, WACE Director**, with any questions, suggestions, or comments about the call or any other aspect of the International Symposium. You may also find information by contacting the Secretariat of the CGU.

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We are looking forward to seeing you in Madrid!

Thank you