Dialogue with members - 2023

“Reviewing and adjusting our journey”
Informatics Europe, from 2005 to 2023

• **2005:** 1st ECSS, a Dept. Heads & Deans gathering aiming to advance quality teaching and research in Europe.

• **2006:** founded as a non-profit membership association of institutions; membership extends to all researchers of the institution.

• **2023:** a community of European leaders in Informatics Research and Education.

We represent the public & private research community on informatics* in Europe and neighbouring countries.

* Informatics is the preferred term in Europe for what is known as Computing or Computer Science in other parts of the world.
Our Strength: leverage variety to shape a concerted European Informatics future ... 

Mission

Find concerted positions and act on shared priorities in Education, Research, and the Social Impact of informatics, by fostering unity in the variety of its member institutions and promoting pan-European collaboration.
Empowering our members along 5 dimensions

• Create opportunities for joint initiatives and knowledge exchange

• Advocate for Informatics in European policy discussions.

• Promote quality standards and best practices

• Foster ethical and responsible Informatics teaching and research.

• Nurture talent, assuring a pipeline of diverse leaders with broad understanding of the discipline.
IE Activities, aligned with IE mission

ECSS
Working Groups
Publications
Bulletin
social media
Webinars
Job portal

Policy Recommendations
National Informatics Assoc. WG
I4All - Informatics in Schools
EUGAIN – Gender Diversity
Open Science WG
Rome Declaration
Open Citations Letter
Increasing Membership HLA

Ethics4EU ⇒ Inclusion4EU
WIRE ⇒ D&I WG
EUGAIN
Ethics WG
Green ICT WG
Publications

Awards
Publications
EU Projects
Webinars & videos
ITiCSE Steering Cmte.
Department Evaluation Service
Data portal & Data Analysis & Reporting WG

Best Dissertation Award
Leadership courses
Job Platform
CV Repository
ECSS
ECR WS
177 members, 34 countries, 50K+ researchers*

The more we are the louder our voice!

*Assuming an average of 7 pp/research group and 10, 20 resp. 50 research groups per small, medium resp. large institution. # members and countries as of 10.10.23.
Informatics Europe relevance persists

Some achievements are only possible when acting as a community.

Most Informatics leaders across Europe face similar challenges.

and it thrives with and through us!
Informatics Europe can go as far as our collective ambitions take it!

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Meet IE Working Groups’ chairs today; join a WG and contribute!

Jean-Marc Jézéquel
Policy recommendations

Michael E. Caspersen

Dymphna O’Sullivan

Marco Aiello
Green ICT

Simona Motogna

Manuel Carro
Open Science

Enrico Nardelli
Education Research

Gordana Dodig-Crnkovic
Ethics

Přemek Brada
Data Analysis & Reporting

Elisabetta Di Nitto
Diversity

https://www.informatics-europe.org/join-us/active-working-groups.html
Make a difference, join our Board of Directors!!

https://www.informatics-europe.org/about/board/board-director-nominations.html
Follow updates, like and share!
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Adjusting the journey towards IE mission

- Working Groups
- Department Evaluation
- Leadership Courses
- ECR WS
- CV Repository
- ECSS
IE Working Groups shape our Activities & Agenda
Knowledge exchange and concerted positions brought forwards

Some examples
- Education ⇒ I4All, COST Action
- WIRE ⇒ EUGAIN COST Action
  ⇒ Webinars, Booklets,
  ⇒ D&I WG
- Ethics ⇒ 2 Erasmus+, webinars
- Open Science ⇒ 2023 Statement
- DA&R ⇒ Data Portal, ACM Journal
- All WG ⇒ WS during ECSS
  ⇒ Publications

Is your institution active in IE Working Groups? Why?

https://www.informatics-europe.org/join-us/active-working-groups.html
Unleashing the Full Potential of WGs
Community feedback

- Personal / institutional interest on current WGs
- Need of new WGs
- Active engagement
- Collaboration / activities booster

Approach Jean Marc during the break to share further feedback and help us steer IE!
IE Department Evaluation Service
Charting a Sustainable Success Path of Continuous Improvement

• International Positioning & Benchmark
• Complement to National Accreditation Agencies
• Well-Defined Protocol, but Flexible and Customizable
• International Peer-Review
• Transparency and Neutrality
• Beyond Research Results
• Comprehensive Insights

https://www.informatics-europe.org/services/department-evaluation.html
IE Department Evaluation Service

Structured evaluation outcome, incl. actionable recommendations

- Identifying Weaknesses & Strengths
- Prioritizing Improvement Areas
- Assessing Progress and Adjusting Strategy
- Engaging and Empowering Department Members on Continuous Improvement
- Enhancing the Department’s Vision, Road Map and Action Plan

https://www.informatics-europe.org/services/department-evaluation.html
IE Department Evaluation Service
by the community, for the community ⇒ for YOUR Department

- Both, Need and Expertise are in the DNA of IE
- Few Evaluations done so far, but Very Good Feedback

- Will your department be the next one evaluated?

Approach Elisabetta if interested in the service as customer, evaluation reviewer or activity supporter in any way.

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Academic Leadership Courses
For, with, by Computer Scientists

Evidence-based leadership practices to **create positive academic cultures**

In which people can **thrive together** and do great work **in research, education & impact on society**

“[The course] really **changed the way I think about my work**. It cannot be said enough: this course was **the best course I have ever taken**.”

[Online course participant]
Academic Leadership Courses

Three Solutions to boost your institution’s culture

**Online**
(Spring 2024)

- Individuals
- New & emerging leaders
- 7 x 2hr sessions, fortnightly
- In-between work

**Bespoke**
(On request)

- Teams
- All leadership levels
- Customized program
- Individual & team work

**Residential**
(on-hold)

- Individuals
- Senior / established leaders
- 4-day residential course
- Indoor / Outdoors / personal time

https://www.informatics-europe.org/events/academic-leadership-development.html
Academic Leadership Courses
Community feedback

Join at menti.com 2574 6766

Gregor looks forward to further exchanging on how to best tailor our courses to the community needs!
Offer for Early Career Researchers
Broadening perspectives of tomorrow’s Informatics Leaders

ECR WS

Excellent Research Results

Mobility (Job Portal, CV Repository)

Best Dissertation Award

Research community and Networking
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• Does IE Offer fit the purpose?
• Is your institution sending participants to ECR WS? Why?
• Any additional idea to broaden the research perspective of ECRs?
• Willing to join Dimka in building a WG to boost related activities?

Dimka looks forward to exchange on how to best nurture leaders with broad understanding of the discipline
CV Repository
Pan-European opportunities for talents, employers & IE

Applicants
• International visibility
• Exclusive opportunities
• Values alignment

IE Members & Sponsors
• Top talent
• Streamlined Search
• Brand recognition – socially engaged employer

IE community
• Visibility among future leaders
• Increased awareness of IE-related topics in private sector
• Financial sustainability

https://www.informatics-europe.org/services/cv-repository.html
Unleashing full potential requires community support

546 CVs, from 24 countries. An average of 3.4 applicants / IE member
CV Repository – from launch to cruise mode

Community feedback

• Further dissemination among students
• Fostered usage by IE members
• Engagement with new recruiters

Approach Enrico and Nuria to share your input on how to transition the initiative from launch to cruise-mode.
Reviewing & adjusting also ECSS journey
Evolving from a **CS** to an **Informatics Leaders** summit

2005 – 2023
European Computer Science Summit

2024+
European Informatics Leaders Summit

- In alignment with IE’s evolution
- Strengthening ECSS openness
- Highlighting its strategic focus vs scientific conferences
Let’s celebrate together our 20th Edition!!
Join ECSS 2024 for free
Help us grow and raise our voice even louder!

- Bring in new Informatics Europe members.
- Successful referrer will receive complimentary registration for the next ECSS event.
ECSS 2025+: Positively contribute to IE community and enhance your institution’ recognition

https://www.informatics-europe.org/ecss/about/hosting-opportunities.html
Exchange continues during coffee break ... and dinner!