



INFORMATICS EUROPE

Setting the Pace for Informatics Research
and Education in Europe



INTRODUCING INFORMATICS EUROPE

Informatics Europe represents the academic and research community in Informatics in Europe and neighbouring countries. Bringing together university departments and research laboratories, it creates a strong common voice to safeguard, shape and stimulate quality research and teaching in Informatics in Europe.

**Our common cause:
fostering quality
research and education
in Informatics**

OUR GOALS

Informatics is a major enabler of technology innovation - key to the future of Europe's economy. It also is a distinct science, characterised by its own concepts, methods and body of knowledge. With its members, Informatics Europe works to define and promote common policies and tackle common issues. Our goals are to:

- Foster quality of research in Informatics
- Foster quality of education in Informatics
- Foster knowledge transfer between academia and industry and society
- Engage with society on the nature and impact of Informatics
- Promote quality standards and best practices in research, education, and knowledge transfer
- Foster relations between academia and government and public institutions
- Foster co-operation with organisations having complementary goals.

Informatics Europe is a non-profit organisation based in Switzerland.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES

FORUM FOR EXCHANGE

Informatics Europe offers its members multiple platforms to discuss, reflect and act on common priorities.

EUROPEAN COMPUTER SCIENCE SUMMIT (ECSS)

Meet and mingle with leading thinkers in the field

This annual summit is the meeting place for anyone interested in strategic issues and future trends related to teaching, research and policy in Informatics. With speakers from amongst the world's most distinguished academics, industry leaders and decision makers in the field, the event never fails to inspire and stimulate.

PRE-SUMMIT WORKSHOP FOR DEANS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Learn directly from the experience of your peers

Preceding the ECSS, this workshop gathers deans, department heads and research directors to discuss critical issues and share best practices related to the management of research and higher education in Informatics.

WORKING GROUPS

Shape the future

Working groups allow members to get actively involved and influence the agenda that will shape the future of research and education in Informatics. Current working groups include:

- Data Collection and Reporting
- Ethics
- Informatics Education
- Research Evaluation
- Women in Informatics Research & Education.

DATA & INSIGHTS

Create a sound knowledge base

Informatics Europe delivers ground-breaking work in collecting and publishing reliable data, expert insights and guidelines that bring a Europe-wide perspective for informed and effective decision making.

QUEST FOR QUALITY

DEPARTMENT EVALUATION

Raise your game

To foster quality research, Informatics Europe offers assessment of an institution's research activities in Informatics, Computing and IT, conducted by internationally recognised researchers in the field with experience in evaluation. The evaluation does not involve ranking or rating. Instead, it offers practical recommendations for improving the quality and the impact of the research carried out.

BEST PRACTICES IN EDUCATION AWARD

Promote excellence

Every year, Informatics Europe presents the Best Practices in Education Award to recognise outstanding European educational initiatives that have improved the quality of Informatics teaching and the attractiveness of the discipline.

MINERVA INFORMATICS EQUALITY AWARD

Encourage & support gender equality

Since 2016, Informatics Europe presents the Minerva Informatics Equality Award to recognise European initiatives that have encouraged and supported the careers of women in Informatics research and education.

ONLINE RESOURCES

Gain visibility

Informatics Europe helps members to attract talent and gain international visibility:

- **Research & Education Directory** – the only one of its kind, it lists research departments and institutes in Informatics, Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Computing, IT, ICT across Europe, with details of degrees offered, research groups and activities.
- **Job Platform** – lists open scientific positions in Informatics, Computer Science, IT and related fields.
- **LinkedIn Discussion Group** – connects over 1000 worldwide professors and researchers in Informatics.

JOIN INFORMATICS EUROPE TO:

- Participate in top-level international dialogue on strategic management issues with leaders of university departments, faculties and research labs in Informatics
- Learn through exchanging insights and experiences with your peers
- Gain a Europe-wide perspective on important challenges for the Informatics discipline
- Get guidance and guidelines on advancing quality teaching and research
- Contribute to raising the profile and voice of the Informatics research and academic community in Europe



“It’s important for us to be a member of Informatics Europe; on the one hand, because of the insightful reports we receive; on the other, because it helps build valuable relationships with other department heads, deans and others, particularly at the European Computer Science Summit.”

Jens Christian Godskesen, IT University of Copenhagen

MEMBERSHIP

“Informatics Europe is the only place where deans and senior academics meet their peers to discuss critical issues and shape the future of the discipline. Ten years ago, we were all struggling individually, in each department, in each country. Informatics Europe has given us a common voice to ensure that Europe takes the right course in Informatics Research and Education. It’s a cause that matters to us all.”

Bertrand Meyer, ETH Zurich

“Informatics Europe has given our department an invaluable platform for meeting colleagues, for sharing ideas and experiences, for learning about new developments and for staying on par with the best of standards in our discipline.”

Jan van Leeuwen, Utrecht University

Membership in Informatics Europe is institutional and covers all faculty of the member institution. For details on the membership scheme and fees, please visit our membership page on www.informatics-europe.org.



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