

Editorial

Readers will be pleased to learn that the World Institute for Engineering and Technology Education (WIETE) has stepped up its efforts to expand the international activities for academics involved in engineering and technology education. The 3rd World Conference on Technology and Engineering Education was held between 8 and 11 September 2014 at the Technological Education Institute of Piraeus, Piraeus-Athens, Greece, a partner/member institution of the WIETE. It provided the opportunity for participants to present their research papers, which were later published in the World Transactions for Engineering and Technology Education (WTE&TE), Vol.12, No.3. In February this year, the WIETE held its 6th Annual Conference on Engineering and Technology Education in Bangkok, Thailand, with the Conference papers being published before the Conference in the WTE&TE, Vol.12, No. 4.

Currently, preparations are well-advanced for the 4th World Conference on Technology and Engineering Education, under the theme *Innovative Design and Education*, to take place at the Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava, Slovakia, between 2 and 5 September 2015, with a good number of paper proposals already having been received. It is envisaged that high quality papers presented at the Conference will be published in the World Transactions for Engineering and Technology Education (WTE&TE), Vol.13, No.3. Professor R. Špaček, Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Architecture of the host University will be the Guest Editor of this issue. I am sure that the Conference organisers will still be able to accept late paper proposals as they come in, and I would certainly encourage our members, associates and sympathisers to consider this wonderful opportunity to attend the Conference and present their papers (see next page).

The WIETE recently concluded negotiations with the Commonwealth Science and Technology Academy for Research (C-STAR), Chennai, India, a partner/member institution of the WIETE, to be joint organiser of the 7th WIETE Annual Conference on Engineering and Technology Education there. The Conference will be held between 15 and 20 February 2016, with Anna University, a large public academic institution in Chennai, India, becoming a co-sponsor and providing the venue for the Conference. It is anticipated that the forthcoming Conference will generate good quality articles worthy of being published in the World Transactions for Engineering and Technology Education (WTE&TE).

In the meantime, this present issue of the GJEE, designated as Vol.17, No.1, presents six high quality articles by authors based in Australia, Malaysia, Poland and the United States of America. In these papers, the authors present their work and achievements in research and development in engineering education.

In concluding this editorial, I would like to thank the authors of these articles for their willingness to share their achievements with other likeminded colleagues, the international referees for their assessment of the articles, and the Editorial Team, consisting of Dr Dianne Q. Nguyen, Mrs Dorota I. Pudlowski and Dr Ian R. Dobson for their support and assistance in the publication of this issue.

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