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## **Guest Editorial**

The Mediterranean Centre for Engineering and Technology Education (MCETE) was established as a *satellite* centre of the World Institute for Engineering and Technology Education (WIETE), in September 2010. Its aim is to support the cooperation and further development of engineering and technology education within this independent global network of individuals and institutions concerned with quality. The particular focus of the MCETE is on the Mediterranean countries.

Several significant objectives are being pursued in order to cultivate the knowledge and skills essential for high quality engineering and technology education. These include the organisation of regional seminars and conferences, assistance in holding regional forums to discuss problems in the internationalisation of engineering and technology education, and promoting quality assurance in this area.

The 7th WIETE Annual Conference on Engineering and Technology Education/4th Mediterranean Seminar on Engineering and Technology Education will be held in Athens, Greece, in April 2016. In order to meet the objectives, submission of research papers on recent trends and challenges in the field of educational methodology and its applications were invited. The aim is to provide a platform for educators, engineers, academicians and industrial professionals to present their research results and development activities in engineering and technology education.

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