

EUPEN 2001 5th Anniversary Forum

The Fifth European Physics Education Network (EUPEN) anniversary forum will be held in Severinstrasse 199 D-50676 Koln on 6-8 September 2001.

The forum will present, discuss and explore the inquiries of the four EUPEN working groups. It will also discuss research and development work covering physics education, emphasizing new initiatives in physics and multimedia teaching and learning.

The themes and strands of the forum consist of the following: 1. Quality assurance and evaluation in physics curricula (a scent of physics); 2. First and

second cycle physics degrees in the context of the Bologna Declaration; 3. Networking opportunities for specialization in physics; 4. Trends in physics student enrolment and destination (a scent of physics and a scent for physics) and; 5. Innovations in physics and (multimedia) teaching and learning.

Some keynote speakers in the HE convergence process in Europe are: Dr. Guy Haug, Prof. M. Huber, Prof. U. Titulaer, Prof. G. 't Hooft and, Sir Peter Williams.

GIREP Conference 2002

The GIREP Conference will be held on August 4 to 9, 2002 in Lund University.

Traditional physics is no longer attracting many students as it used to do, but the same physics is applied successfully in new exciting fields. To attract the younger generation we believe that we have to allow for new approaches in physics education.

We hope that during the GIREP conference in Lund we will together find useful concepts. We are hoping for more contributions in the fields of: Biophysics, Space Physics, Physics and Music, Environmental Physics, Physics and Sports, Physics of Peacekeeping, Medical Physics and Econophysics.

We hope that this conference will reform the physics curriculum. During the process we should keep in mind that our most important task is marketing physics for new generation and new target groups.

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