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HOW DO WE WORK?



- Strong background in active membership
- Meeting place: an influential "hub" in lively networks.
- Functions, activities in synergy:
 - membership,
 - conferences,
 - policy,
 - project work



KEYWORDS: QUALITY AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Conferences
 - EDEN conferences: major academic and professional events in Europe;
- European Journal of Open, Distance and E-learning (EURODL)
- Fellow Awards
 - EDEN Fellow and Senior Fellow Respected scheme of recognition

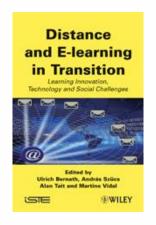


The EDEN Book:
 Distance and E-learning in Transition
 Learning Innovation, Technology and Social Challenges

 Selection of best papers of the EDEN Conferences









MEMBERSHIP



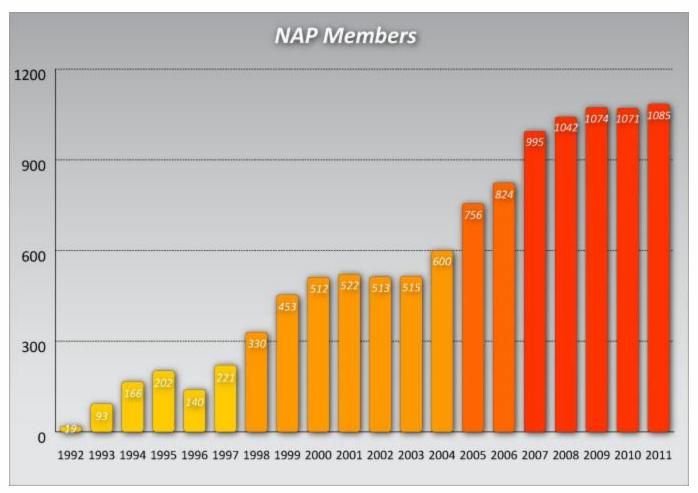
- Varied, active, developing community
- EDEN Membership in 2011:
 - 195 institutional members, 1150 individuals in the Network of Academics and Professionals,
 - Altogether 56 countries
- Over 400 institutions represented in the membership
- 35 institutions joined EDEN in the last year
 135 new members in NAP

Institutional membership

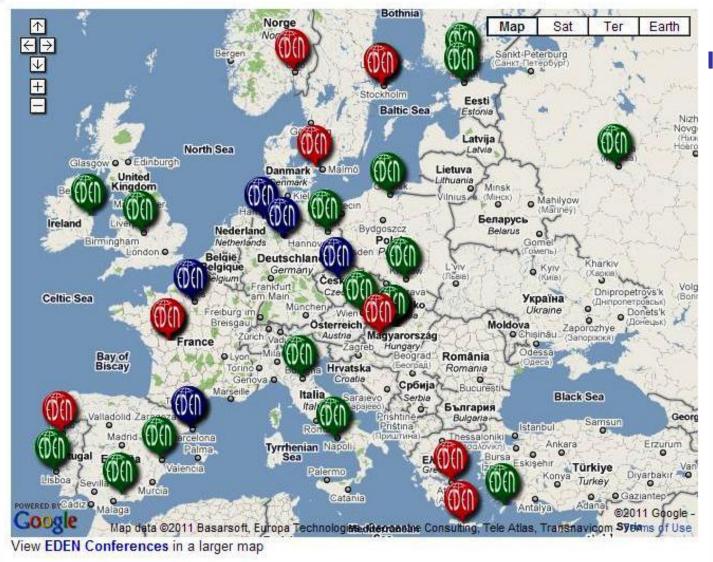




NAP members







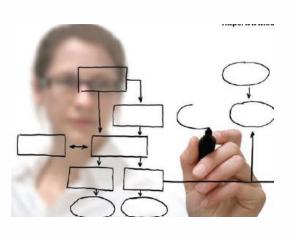
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European projects

- 2010 -2011: EDEN in eight EU projects, with efficient "service packages"
- Conferences: meeting points, venues of workshops and seminars.
- Good performance in dissemination and exploitation recognised by the EU
- September 2011: eight new projects with EDEN as partner
- September 2012: twelve new projects with EDEN as partner



EU PROJECT WORK



- Focus on innovative, strategic projects
- The EDEN potential acknowledged and utilised in EU programmes
- In the past 8 years: EDEN collaborated with 168 institutions in projects



Where is the more e-learning research needed?

Macro level:

- On the systemic and social roles of education in the society.
- On the role of culture, intercultural communication and cultural differences in global distance/e-learning programmes
- On co-operation among institutions
- Comparative research on learning systems

Meso level:

- Leadership in distance education and e-learning
- Management of change and innovation
 - Effectiveness of managerial interventions,
 - diversity management
- Economics of e-learning
- Methodology support of learners
- Change of users' habits
- Faculty support, teachers' professional development
- Quality assurance





THE PROGRESS IN 2010-2012



- Maturity of EDEN's profile and strategic activities
- New Executive Committee, with new elan and committment!
- Professional development enhanced content and impact of conferences
- Membership services new portal of the Network of Academics and Professionals (NAP)
- New web site
- Good achievements in organisation development and academic-professional-policy impact
- European experience and know-how in valuable perspective



WHAT NEXT?



- Keep the momentum: develop EDEN in range of size and impact
- Improve further the membership services for collaboration and engagement
- Strenghten academic value and professional competence
- Valorise the new web services and NAP Portal
- Encourage and recognise excellence:
 EDEN Fellow Scheme, EURODL, Best Research awards
- Maintain the good branding of the Association

Look forward to a next modernisation wave in EDEN!