



ECEL 2010



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Keynote Speaker: Prof. Juan Carlos Burguillo, University of Vigo, Spain

"Using Intelligent Technologies to Support e-Learning"

CALL FOR PAPERS, Case Studies, Work in Progress/Posters, PhD Research, Round Table Proposals, non-academic Contributions and Product Demonstrations

Mini Track: Evaluating Virtual Learning Environments

Track Chair: [Neal Sumner](#), City University London, UK

With the advent of web2.0 tools and other new technologies, as well as changes to the VLE software, many institutions are now considering whether to continue to invest in VLEs or whether to develop other technologies. Are VLEs still relevant? Do they serve a specific purpose for staff and students that is not met by newer technologies? How can institutions be responsive and flexible to utilise the benefits of new technologies when these are constantly changing. This strand considers different institutional approaches to evaluating VLEs as well as examples of models and frameworks for the introduction of new technologies.

Research issues as follows are of special interest:

- Advantages and disadvantages of VLEs – flexible tool or technological straitjacket?
- How to evaluate the institutional VLE
- VLE Integration with other IT systems
- Beyond the VLE – what tools are used in HE
- VLEs and pedagogical frameworks
- Other Topics

Submission details:

Abstract details: The Abstract should be a minimum of 300 and no more than 500 words including up to five keywords and keyphrases to be received by **15 April 2010**. Please read the abstract guidelines section of the website before submitting.

Submission: Online at <http://academic-conferences.org/ecel/ecel2010/ecel10-abstract-submission.htm> Please ensure that you complete all relevant sections of the form, including the conference track the abstract is intended for, the proposed title for the paper, the full names (first name and surname, not initials) and email addresses of all authors and a postal address and telephone number for at least one contact author. Please indicate clearly if the contact author is not the lead author.

This call for papers and full details about the conference can be found online at:

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Full paper: Only required when the abstract has been selected and not to be more than 5,000 words including abstract, keywords and references (the Harvard referencing rules need to be followed). Submission date will be no later than **3 June 2010**. Papers should be submitted as .doc or .rtf file attachments by email to the Conference Manager, Julia Hawkins_at julia@academic-conferences.org

The selection panel of the conference committee will consider all abstracts received by the submission deadline to ensure that the proposed paper is relevant to the Conference. The authors of abstracts that describe a relevant paper will receive a notification of abstract selection. All full papers will be double-blind reviewed by members of the conference committee to ensure an adequate standard, that the proposed subject of their abstract has been followed, that the paper is of a suitable length, the standard of English is adequate and the paper is appropriately referenced. For authors whose first language is not English we request that you have your work proofread preferably by a native English speaker prior to submission (or at least a fluent English speaker) – papers may be rejected due to a poor standard of English. Papers that are accepted will be published in the conference proceedings providing at least one author registers and presents the work at the Conference (see the registration section of the conference website for more information about registration).

Due to the large number of papers expected for this conference, the committee only allows an author to present one paper. Therefore if multiple papers are accepted for presentation different co-authors need to present each paper. Please direct enquiries to Julia Hawkins at julia@academic-conferences.org

Important dates:

Abstract submission deadline:	15 April 2010
Notification of abstract acceptance:	22 April 2010
Full paper due for review:	3 June 2010
Notification of paper acceptance:	12 August 2010
Earlybird registration closes:	26 August 2010
Final paper due (with any changes):	9 September 2010
Final author registration date:	30 September 2010

Publication opportunity

Papers accepted for the conference will be published in the conference proceedings, subject to [author registration](#). Selected papers from the Conference will be considered for publication in a special issue of the Electronic Journal of E-Learning. (<http://ejel.org>).

Conference and Journal Accreditations

The ECEL conference proceedings are:

- listed in the Thomson Reuters ISI Index to Social Sciences & Humanities Proceedings (ISSHP)
- listed in the Thomson Reuters ISI Index to Social Sciences & Humanities Proceedings (ISSHP/ISI Proceedings).
- indexed by the Institution of Engineering and Technology in the UK.

The Electronic Journal of E-Learning (EJEL) is:

- rated level 1 in the Danish Government bibliometric lists.
- ranked by the Australian Business Deans Council list
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