

Register for 61(18) CEPIS Council, nominate candidates for election & more -

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61(18) CEPIS Council: Registration & Candidate Nomination Now Open

The [registration](#) for the 61(18) CEPIS Council Meeting is now open. This Council will take place in Berlin, Germany, on 29 November 2017, from 09:00 to 16:30 approximately. A welcome reception will be held in the hotel on the evening prior to the Council meeting, from 19:00 – 22:00. The draft agenda of the Council meeting, as well

as additional documentation, will soon be circulated. The minutes of the previous Council meeting can be found in the [Members' Area](#) of the CEPIS website.

At the meeting, two Members of the CEPIS Board of Directors will be elected. You are kindly invited to nominate candidates for the election: the deadline for nominations is **Saturday 29 September**. The nomination form and other relevant information is available on the 61(18) Council page in the Members' Area of the CEPIS website.

[Register here](#)

Questionnaire on Membership, Personnel and Revenue Data Still Open

We would like to thank those Members who have already submitted the information on their Member Societies' membership numbers and prices, personnel and revenue distributed by email on 18 May 2018. We would be very grateful to those who have not yet done so to send the data to info@cepis.org by 5 October 2018. This information will feed into the discussion on membership attraction and retention solutions at the 61(18) CEPIS Council meeting in Berlin on 29 November 2018. The provided data will be treated as confidential and not shared with any third parties, apart from the CEPIS Secretariat and Member Society representatives. If you would like us to resend the questionnaire, or have any concerns, do not hesitate to contact Erika Gutmane.

ITPE Digital Competence Expert Group Meeting to be held on October 24 in Brussels

The upcoming ITPE 'Digital Competence Expert Group Meeting' is set to be held on October 24 in Brussels. The session will focus on the benefits and challenges related to applying the European e-Competence Framework in practice, as well as the opportunities of the Erasmus+ programme for developing projects related to IT professionalism. As a follow-up to the last ITPE meeting in June, an update about the ongoing TC428 projects will also be presented.

Mary Cleary of the Irish Computer Society will chair the event. It will begin with a welcome address by André Richier from the European Commission. Other speakers will include Harald De Vries, Programme Manager at Explain, Floor Scheffer, Senior Business Consultant at Tata Steel and Yazid Isli, Socio Director at Hominem.

ITPE to co-organise session on IT professionalism with Belgian technology industry

association, Agoria, on October 25, 2018

On October 25, 2018, the Belgian association of technology companies, Agoria, will hold its annual event with a session dedicated to the digital transformation of industry and IT professionalism.

CEPIS Secretary General, Austėja Trinkunaite, will discuss IT professionalism and introduce ITPE to Belgian stakeholders. Jutta Breyer, of the CEN European Committee for Standardisation, will present current developments and practical applicability of the e-CF. They will be joined by Jeroen Franssen from Agoria, who will provide the Belgian perspective on the challenges related to market digitalisation. His presentation will be based on a nation-wide survey that highlights current and future skills needed in the Belgian labour market.

A total of 16 parallel sessions are planned for the event, which together aim to give a broad overview of the latest regulatory and standardisation developments at regional, national and European level. Entry for the session 'Labour Market and Digitisation' will be free for CEPIS and ITPE members - if you wish to attend, please contact the CEPIS secretariat for more information. Learn more about the session [here](#).

This event is scheduled in line with the ITPE Digital Competence Expert group's meeting, which will take place in Brussels on 24 October.

Save the date: ICS organises IT Architects Conference 2018

The Irish Computer Society's (ICS) annual conference, the **IT Architects Conference 2018**, will take place at the **Aviva Stadium on 21st September 2018**.

This year's topic is **Digital Architecture**, which encapsulates the core concepts of digital disruption and architecture, bringing together technology, processes and people. We recommend this conference to qualified IT architects, CIOs, and heads of IT staff.

Attending this conference will give you an opportunity to hear of cutting edge developments and to network with speakers and like-minded delegates.

For more information about the programme please check the [event website](#) or [contact ICS](#) for registration and sponsorship packages.

ICS has a broad membership base with members from a range of sectors within the profession. It runs a series of national annual conferences for IT societies within ICS. The conferences cover themes such as IT Leadership, IT Architecture, IT Service Management, Data Protection, Health Informatics, Public Sector and so on.

Check out [the ICS website](#) for future events.

ICDL highlighted in UNESCO

report as example of an international digital competence framework

A new report by UNESCO has highlighted the ICDL programme as a significant example of a digital skills framework around the world. 'A Global Framework of Reference on Digital Literacy Skills for Indicator 4.4.2' was published with the aim of providing a basis for an indicator of the, "Percentage of youth/adults who have achieved at least a minimum level of proficiency in digital literacy skills", under the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals.

The report identifies existing frameworks for identifying digital competences at local, national and international levels, and has made use of the European Union's DigComp 2.0 framework. In identifying frameworks, the report highlights ICDL as an example of a framework in a number of countries, noting that 177 ICDL learning outcomes map to the DigComp framework. This reinforces ICDL Foundation's own work to map ICDL modules to DigComp.

The full report can be downloaded from [the website of UNESCO](#) and more information about DigComp can be found at ecdl.org/digcomp.

Proposal passes in European Parliament for new regulation regarding ENISA and the 'Cybersecurity Act'

The proposal presented in the European Parliament for a regulation of the Council on ENISA, the 'EU Cybersecurity Agency', repealing Regulation (EU) 526/2013, and on Information and Communication Technology cybersecurity certification ('Cybersecurity Act') has been passed.

The resolution calls for more resources to be allocated to ENISA given the increasing cybersecurity threats and challenges the Union is facing, while it also supporting the need for a standardised EU-wide certification, providing common cybersecurity requirements and evaluation criteria across national markets and sectors.

The full document can be found on the [European Parliament's website](#).

The CEPIS Working Group on Legal and Security Issues (LSI SIN) presented their paper on 'Best practices for a journey towards secure cyberspace' earlier this year, which may be found on [CEPIS' website](#).

European Commission publishes final report of the ET

2020 Working Group 2016 – 2018 on Adult Learning

The final report, “Promoting adult learning in the workplace”, has been released by the Education and Training Working Group on Adult Learning 2016-2018. The role of this group was to identify policies that promote and support workplace learning of adults, covering:

- adults struggling with reading, writing, making simple calculations and using digital tools;
- adults with medium skills in need of up-skilling.

The new report presents the outcomes of its work and identifies key messages for policy development along with case studies to inspire new thinking.

See the full report on the [Commission's website](#).

New call for tenders: “High-tech skills for industry: fostering new services and jobs creation”

A call for tenders to conclude a service contract in the context of ‘High Tech skills for Industry’ has been issued by the European Commission. It requests the contractor to collect and analyse data to provide a long-term agenda for the creation of new services and jobs enabled by new technologies, as well as identifying best practices and proposing supporting actions. The deadline for submissions is Friday October 26, 2018.

Further information can be found on the [European Commission's website](#).

European Commission calls for expert group on Business-to-Government data sharing

The European Commission is setting up an Expert Group on access to and re-use of private sector data for public interest purposes, bringing together independent experts to discuss business-to-government (B2G) data-sharing principles and to provide advice on future policy and funding initiatives.

The group’s main tasks will be to identify good practices on B2G data sharing in order to contribute to more efficient and better public service delivery and more reliable an evidence-based policy-making, as well as assessing the legal, economic and technical obstacles preventing B2G data sharing, and giving recommendations to the Commission on how to further develop its B2G data sharing policy.

The conclusions and recommendations will be published in a report that can be used as

input for possible future Commission initiatives on B2G data sharing.

The full article can be found on the [Commission's website](#).

Upcoming Events

14 September 2018 CEPIS Legal and Security Issues SIN meeting. Brussels, Belgium.

21 September 2018 CEPIS Computing in Schools SIN Meeting. Frankfurt, Germany.

21 September 2018 [IT Architects 2018](#). Dublin, Ireland.

26-27 September 2018 [INFORMATIK 2018](#). Berlin, Germany.

6-21 October 2018 [EU Code Week](#). Europe-wide.

11 October 2018 [e-CF Alliance Final Conference](#). Brussels, Belgium

24 October 2018 ITPE Digital Competence Expert Group Meeting. Brussels, Belgium

25 October 2018 [Labour market and Digitisation-session with Agoria](#). Brussels, Belgium

15 November 2018 Digital Transformation and IT Professionalism. Brussels, Belgium

29 November 2018 61(18) CEPIS Council Meeting. Berlin, Germany.

4-6 December 2018 [ICT 2018](#). Vienna, Austria.