

OBJECTIVES



As underlined by the **LISBON SUMMIT**, **engineers play a leading role for the competitiveness of European Industry** and are indispensable for turning emerging scientific knowledge into **state-of-the-art technology**.

This conference will study the adequacy of "supply & demand" of engineers in Europe and is aimed at all those who have an interest in the **Engineering Profession** :

- ✓ Industrial companies and their federations
- ✓ Universities and other institutions of higher education in Engineering
- ✓ The engineers themselves (long or short cycle) and their representatives

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Place

The Palace of Academies
Rue Ducale / Hertogsstraat, 1
B-1000 BRUSSELS (*Belgium*)

Transportation

Train : Central Station
Metro (line 2) : Trône / Troon
Car park : Porte de Namur / Naamsepoort

Registration fee : 125 €

University Professor & equivalent : 75 €
Student : 25 €

Dinner : 60 €

Registration form

You can register on-line (www.seii.org/IRTC)
or fill in the attached registration form and
send it by fax to : + 32 - (0)2 - 502.98.31

Accommodation

The UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION (200 m away
from the Palace of Academies) can provide
accommodation if necessary. Prices : from
75 € to 115 € for a single room, from 105 to
145 € for a double room.

Tel : + 32 - (0)2 - 545.04.00

Other information

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*European Society for
Engineers and
Industrialists*

International Round Table Conference

**Under the Patronage of His Royal
Highness Prince Philippe**

***What Engineers for a
competitive Europe ?***

9th & 10th November 2007



Brussels – The Palace of Academies

This conference is organized by the

European Society for Engineers and Industrialists (SEII)

in cooperation with :

- **CLAIU-EU** : *Council of Associations of long cycles Engineers of a University or a Higher School of Engineers of the European Union*
- **FEANI** : *European Federation of National Engineering Associations*
- **SEFI** : *European Society for Engineering Education*

The following programme has been set up with the help and the support of the following companies and institutions :

- **From Industry** : Business Europe, Solvay, Suez-Electrabel
- **From the Academic World** : Universities of Brussels (ULB & VUB), Leuven (KUL), Louvain-la-Neuve (UCL), Liège (ULg) and Mons (FPMs), the Royal Military School, SEFI and BACAS.
- **From Engineering Associations** : FABI, KVIV, VIK, UFIIB, CLAIU-EU and FEANI

Friday November 9th afternoon

- 13.00** Welcome of the participants
- 14.00** Introduction to the conference, by **Mr Michel VAN HECKE**, President of **SEII**
- 14.15 FIRST SESSION :**
Expectations of European Industry
- ☑ Introduction by the chairman of the session, **Prof. Ir Emile PEETERS**, President of **CLAIU-EU**
 - ☑ **Mr Michel DE VLAMINCK**, Talent Manager SEE, **SUEZ** Energy Europe : *Build, manage and develop a career as an engineer at the heart of Suez Energy Europe*
 - ☑ **Mrs Christine TAHON**, Strategic Business Unit Manager, **SOLVAY** Group : *Engineers : ready for the management of the future ?*
 - ☑ **Mr Philippe VIVIEN**, Senior Vice President Human Resources, **AREVA** : *Title not yet specified*
 - ☑ **Mr Jean-Marie GINION**, President of **IBA** Group : *Making a scientific career attractive is a current company mission*
 - ☑ **Mr Edwin BÜCHTER**, CEO of **CLEAN-LASER-SYSTEME** GmbH : *What engineering skills does a high tech company need for world wide success ?*

- 19.00 DINNER** : Speaker of honour : **Professor André JAUMOTTE**, Emeritus Rector of ULB and Honorary President of CAPAS

Saturday November 10th morning

- 09.00** Welcome of the participants
- 09.20 SECOND SESSION :**
How to meet those expectations
- ☑ Introduction by the chairman of the session
 - ☑ **Prof. Francesco MAFFIOLI**, **Politecnico di Milano**, former President of SEFI & coordinator of the TREE project : *Socrates-Erasmus Thematic Networks and the expectations of European industry in Engineering Education*
 - ☑ **Prof. Daniel GRIMM**, former Vice President of **École Centrale Paris** : *"Ingénieur – Engineer" : two words leading to many misunderstandings*
 - ☑ **Mr Willi FUCHS**, President of **FEANI** : *The shortage of engineers in Europe : present situation & possible solutions*
 - ☑ **Prof. Miroslav VLCEK**, Vice-rector for international relation, **Czech Technical University Prague** : *Engineers : do we need early stage researchers ?*

- 13.00 CLOSING COCKTAIL**

Both sessions will be followed by an interactive discussion between the audience and a panel composed of the speakers and some other personalities