FEIS 2018 - International Symposium on the Future of Education in Information Science

Pisa, 10-11 September 2018

Organizers' report

The EINFOSE multiplier event E5 has been named "FEIS 2018 - International Symposium on the Future of Education in Information Science". It took place in Pisa, Italy, on 10th and 11th September 2018.

Organization. The organization of the event started more than 12 months before it. The organization comprised:

- the setup and maintenance of a web site: http://feis2018.di.unipi.it/
- the definition of three Call for Papers: a preliminary one, a final one, and an updated one;
- the selection of a Program Committee for peer reviewing of submitted papers;
- the actual peer reviewing and selection process;
- the production of preliminary proceedings of papers, made available to participants at the URL: http://einfose.ffos.hr/feis-2018/proceedings;
- the invitation of four top-level Keynote Speakers:
 - Prof. David Bawden (City, University of London, UK)
 - prof. Leif Kajberg (Royal School of Library and Information Science, Denmark)
 - prof. Gary Marchionini (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA)
 - prof. Anna Maria Tammaro (University of Parma, Italy).
- the definition of a Call for Scholarship, which offered 10 scholarships to students for supporting their participation to FEIS 2018 for up to 500 euro each;
- the selection of applications to scholarships: 10 out of 18 applications were selected;
- the search for sponsors;
- the design and print of flyers, poster, rolls-up, program, and other material;
- the local organization of the event (registration management, location, catering, social events, poster sessions, video-recording, photos, privacy consent, wi-fi support, participant package preparation, etc.)

Program. The final program of FEIS 2018 comprised:

- EINFOSE project presentation, by the EINFISE coordinator;
- Presentation of the EINFOSE recommendations for entry requirements and harmonization of learning outcomes, and general discussion with the audience;
- four invited lectures (see above);
- a panel entitled "In search of a balance among human, technology, and information dimensions in creating a new curriculum", with moderator:
 - Javed Mostafa (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and editor-in-chief of the Journal of the Association for Information Science & Technology – ASIS&T)

and with panelists:

- Gary Marchionini (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA)
- Fidelia Ibekwe SanJuan (University of Aix-Marseille, France)
- David Bawden (City, University London, UK)
- Sanda Erdelez (Simmons College, USA)
- Tatjana Aparac-Jelušić (EINFOSE coordinator, University of Osijek, Croatia);
- 18 oral presentations of accepted papers;

- 8 poster presentation of accepted papers;
- 7 poster presentations of EINFOSE partners on their Information Science study programs;
- two social events: guided tour of the Monumental Camposanto and Farewell Dinner.

Participants. There were 93 registered participants to FEIS 2018, plus 10-15 other people listening to only a few sessions (e.g., panel), for a total of 100+ actual participants. There were 25 students, 10 of which with scholarships. Regarding nationality of participants, we had:

- 38 Italians, whose 27 from Pisa and 11 from other cities;
- 10 Croatian,
- 9 Germans,
- 6 Americans,
- 3 Swedish,
- 3 Spanish,
- 3 Russian,
- and the remaining 21 participants from Lithuania, Austria, Bulgaria, Poland, Norway, Bosnia, UK, Canada, Australia.

In this sense, FEIS 2018 was a truly International event. The registry with attendance signatures of participants is scanned and attached to this report.

Photo and video-recording. Photo taken at FEIS 2018 are available to participants from the URL: (https://drive.google.com/open?id=1ENycBqArX4qJtFa3UPPgGd7pRvUhTrc0. The event was video-recorder by the University of Pisa media event unit. The post-produced video will be made publicly available at http://mediaeventi.unipi.it/category/feis-einfose-2018/160.