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Professor Jorge I. Vélez-Arocho, Ph.D. Rector, University of Puerto Rico ICE 2006 General Chair Mayagüez, Puerto Rico

Dear Professor Vélez-Arocho:

I would like to congratulate you and all your co-workers on the occasion of opening the International Conference on Engineering Education, ICEE-2006, organized at the University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez.

We appreciate very much your involvement in the iNEER network activities and especially with respect to ICEE and ICEER conferences organization. We remember active participation of you and your colleagues in the past ICEE and ICEER conferences and your important input towards the globalization and impact of these events from the engineering education and research perspective. We are sure that your extraordinary enthusiasm, professionalism and creativeness served exceptionally well the international networking and collaboration in the engineering education and research field.

As past ICEE conference organizer I understand how much effort you put into the ICEE 2006 organization and I am sure that this conference is going to be one of the most successful events for the engineering education community.

Please accept my deepest congratulations!

Sincerely yours,

Wojciech Zieliński

Rector, The Silesian University of Technology



Professor Jorge Velez-Arocho , Ph.D. Rector
University of Puerto Rico
Mayaguez, Puerto Rico

July 12,2006

Dear Professor Velez-Arocho:

On behalf of the Institute of Engineering Taiwan, I have the great pleasure to express my congratulations to you and your associates on the opening of ICEE-2006. Under your leadeship, the long-time dedication of your colleagues at UPRM not only has advanced the engineering education in Puerto Rico but also built and strengthened the international partnership. We are honored to be part of the iNEER community to congratulate your great achievements and wish the conference very successful and fruitful. Congratulations again and best regards,

Sincerely, Che-Ho Wei President, Institute of Engineering Education Taiwan.



Professor Jorge Velez-Arocho, Ph,D Rector, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez – Puerto Rico General Chair, ICEE 2006 Puerto Rico - USA

On behalf of PUC-Rio, ABENGE – the Brazilian Society for Engineering Education and iNEER, I have the great pleasure to express my congratulations to you and your associates on the opening of ICEE-2006.

We recognize that international collaboration development in the Engineering field is an important initiative related to your personal history as Director of CoHemis, a great push to the hemisphere integration by Schools of Engineering and Industry.

It is also remarkable your performance and firm direction as Rector of University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, towards the engineering education development, in particular, by hosting and homing the ICEE-2006.

Accept our best wishes for the success of the event. With my respects and congratulations.

Sincerely,

Luiz Carlos Scavarda do Carmo Vice Rector of Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro PUC-Rio July, 2006





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July 24, 2006

Professor Jorge Velez-Arocho, PhD Rector, University of Puerto Rico General Chair, ICEE 2006 May aguez, Puerto Rico

Dear Professor Velez-Arocho

We are delighted at this opportunity to visit Puerto Rico and congratulate you and your colleagues for having the ICEE 2006 Conference in such a picturesque setting.

You have generously provided a venue for the world community of Engineering educators and researchers to meet, network, exchange their experiences, share their enthusiasm and inspire each other with the excellence of their contributions — in the true spirit of globalised learning and in the very tradition of iNEER sponsored events.

International partnerships are a key to future progress and ICEE has an important role in the process.

Thank you for having us here, congratulations and best wishes!

Sincerely,







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July 11, 2006

Professor Jorge Vélez-Arocho Rector, University of Puerto Rico General Chair, ICEE-2006 Puerto Rico, USA

Dear Professor Vélez:

Serving as a member of the International Steering Committee of ICEE and a Board Member of iNEER, I have the great pleasure to express my gratitude to you and your colleagues, for your dedication to the accomplishments of ICEE-2006.

As researchers and educators in scientific fields, we are clearly aware of the importance to keep pace with the latest information uncovered in every corner around the world. This event sustains a precious opportunity for experts of engineering education with various backgrounds to share their valuable experiences in leading the domain to its advance and success. I appreciate your contribution to this assembly.

Congratulations to the success of the ICEE-2006 and sincerest wishes for a better strengthened partnership among forum participants.

With my respect and heartiest regards,

Shan-Hwei Ou, Ph. D.

Professor of Hydraulic and Ocean Engineering Vice President, National Cheng Kung University

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July 24, 2006

Professor Jorge Velez-Arocho Rector University of Puerto Rico General Chair, ICEE-2006 San Juan, Puerto Rico

Dear Professor Velez-Arocho,

We consider it great honour to congratulate you and your colleagues on the opening of ICEE-2006.

We appreciate your kind invitation to join the ICEE activities because they are very important for the University of Pécs and Budapest University of Technology and Economics, which are going to host ICEE-2008 in Hungary. Under the leadership of Rector Velez-Arocho, ICEE-2006 is entitled to continue the tradition of the INEER community to impart past experiences and promote future progress through new mutual relationships in engineering education. You and your colleagues in the INEER network build important international relationships. We all recognize that we live in a new age of engineering and scientific discovery and we are pushed for time. Engineering and science is growing more complex and interdisciplinary and the dividing lines between disciplines are growing indistinct. International collaboration is a key to future advancement.

We believe ICEE-2006 will be a special occasion to convey the concept of mutual progress through international relationship.

Congratulations and best regards.

Sincerely,



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Professor Jorge Velez-Arocho, Ph.D., Rector, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico

Dear Professor Velez-Arocho,

I would like to congratulate you and all our colleagues on the opening ICEE 2006.

You and our colleagues in the iNEER network are making very good job, establishing and developing international cooperation in the important area of Engineering Education. Development of technology is key factor in development of civilization, and everybody know the role good educated engineers in the development of technology. It means, that increasing of engineering education excellence we push together development of civilization. Your personal effort in this area and the valuable contribution of you and of your co-workers during organization of ICEE 2006 Conference is therefore very important factor in development of civilization.

I wish the conference will be successful and fruitful.

With my respect and best regards

Former Rector of the AGH University of Science and Technology Krakow, Poland





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July 24, 2006

Professor Jorge Velez-Arocho Rector, University of Puerto Rico General Chair, ICEE-2006 San Juan. Puerto Rico

Dear Professor Velez-Arocho:

I'm very pleased to congratulate you and your work team on the opening of ICEE-2006. I hope that this Conference will meet everybody's expectations and, knowing you and your people, I'm sure that this hope will be surely reached.

As you may remember, from your visit to our University some years ago, we are very interested in fostering and improving international partnership between academic institutions, and these kinds of venues are the ideal place to do so. The globalization process stimulate us to increase and improve the links between our universities, specially within our continent and language.

I appreciate very much your kind invitation to participate at the ICEE-2006, specially having in mind that this will be a perfect occasion for learning how to organize such an important event, as we will do in 2010. It is a great privilege for me to be part of this outstanding event organized by the University of Puerto Rico.

In times where new and larger fears threats our civilization, the mutual and cooperative work of scientists and educators from all over the world, gives us a hope of freedom and peace. Subjects such us ethics, information, technology, access, democracy are definitively related with which we are doing in our classrooms and laboratories. There's no doubt that we are in the place where the knowledge society was born and from where it feeds and grows. That's the reason why we have an enormous responsibility and a compromise with the future.

Once again, my sincerest congratulations on behalf of the UTN, and my best wishes for you and everybody in this Conference.

Best regards,

Uriel Cukierman





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July 10, 2006

Professor Jorge VELEZ-AROCHO
Rector of the University of Puerto Rico
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Dear Professor Velez-Arocho,

We congratulate you and your associates on behalf of my University of Žilina in Slovakia on the opening of ICEE-2006 Conference.

Your University is ranking as the leading engineering and sciences institution of the Caribbean. Since the founding in 1911, the university has undergone several reforms and successful expansion steps for meeting the challenges posed by rapidly changing social and economic environment.

As a most important educational institution, your University is continuously responsible for preparing an academic elite and the next generation of scientists. Its contribution to scientific and intellectual progress is also considerable.

We appreciate your involvement to iNEER network, the representative organisation, promoting the development of a coherent system of education and research at the international level, acknowledging the diversity of the partners.

Congratulations on your achievement and best wishes for next activities.

 $Yours\ since rely$

Prof . Ing. Ján Bujňák, PhD Rector



Letter of Congratulation ICEE 2006 San Juan, Puerto Rico

Professor Richard Barnett

President and Vice-Chancellor University of Ulster
Northern Ireland
UNITED KINGDOM



14 July 2006

Professor Dr. Jorge Velez-Arocho Chancellor University of Puerto Rico Mayaguez, Puerto Rico U.S.A

Dear Chancellor

International Conference on Engineering Education (ICEE 2006) Puerto Rico, 23-28 July 2006

I write to congratulate you, the University of Puerto Rico, and the members of the organizing committee of this year's ICEE 2006 Conference. As the delegates gather in Puerto Rico this summer, you have shown a commitment to the advancement of engineering education across countries throughout the world. I note the theme of your conference is "Education, Research and Development: Fostering Economic Growth" with presentations covering a wide range of science, engineering and technology education and research themes.

By striving to inform and improve the experience of scientists and engineers all over the world ICEE has set its aims high. As the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ulster I have the privilege of engaging with leaders from different sectors every day, and I am impressed by the extensive nature of your network and the services the International Network in Engineering, Education and Research (iNEER) offers to the global engineering community. I wish you every success in continuing to achieve your mission and vision and continuing to provide the best services possible to all members of the engineering community.

The organizers of your conference have, I know, put a tremendous amount of time, energy and expertise into planning what is sure to be an informative and rewarding few days. On behalf of the senior management team of the University of Ulster, I extend my congratulations to everyone involved with ICEE 2006.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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RICHARD BARNETT Professor

President and Vice-Chancellor





VSB - Technical University of Ostrava Prof. Tomáš Čermák, Ph.D.

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Dear Professor Velez-Arocho,

allow me to congratulate you and your associates on the opening of ICEE 2006 on behalf of my VSB – Technical University of Ostrava, Czech Republic, which was one from founding members ICEE and hosting university of ICEE 1999 and ICEER 2004. I belive, that my congratulation could be adressed also on behalf of the iNEER Board.

I am sure that ICEE 2006 will help to develope basic idea of iNEER Network—
idea of mutual progress through international partnership. New age of information and
communication technologies and global economy have opened the world of science and
engineering for process of international collaboration between partners from different
nations, history and culture. Engineering today is much more interdisciplinary and more
complex than was yesterday and the progress of engineering is the most important factor of
improving quality of human life.

I am sure, that what you prepare at ICEE 2006 will be further step in successful story on international character of engineering education and research in last decades.

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Once more my best congratulations and regards!

Yours sincerely

Professor Jorge Velez-Arocho

Rector of UPRM

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