

Four iNEER Members Join iNEER Board

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Today, on behalf of the iNEER Board, Professor Tomas Cermak - Chair of the iNEER Board and formerly Rector of VSB Technical University of Ostrava, Ostrava, Czech Republic - announces the induction of and welcomes four members of the iNEER community into the iNEER Board.

The iNEER Board is responsible for planning and implementation of the policy of iNEER; it implements its mission and objectives of iNEER through the iNEER Secretariat.

The professional background of each of the new Board members is summarized (alphabetically) below.

Olli Mertanen, Ph.D.



- Received the Doctor of Science in Engineering from Tampere University of Technology, Finland in 1995
- 1986-1997: Held various professional positions at LM Ericsson Corporation, Phillips Corporation, City of Tampere, Computec Ltd, and Tampere University of Technology
- Director of Education since 2000 and Vice Rector since 2004 at Turku University of Applied Sciences, Turku, Finland
- Key driver behind the ICEE-2012 conference held in Turku, Finland; General Chair of ICEE-2012
- Active in many national and international networks, e.g. iNEER and the Association of Engineering Education Directors (Finland)

Igor Pleve, Ph.D.



- Professor and Rector, Saratov State Technical University, Russia (one of top 12 STUs)
- Graduated from history faculty of N.G. Chernyshevsky Saratov State University, 1980
- Candidate in History, 1986; Doctor degree in History, 1999
- Author of more than 50 publications
- Deputy Head of International Association of Russian Germans history and culture researchers; Academician, Public Academy of Sciences of the Russian Germans; Honorable worker, Russian Federation of Higher Education
- As Rector of Gagarin Saratov State Technical University since 2008, reformed engineering education and implemented two-level system of education oriented to Bologna requirements

Frode Eika Sandnes, Ph.D.



- Professor, Pro-Rector, at Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences in Norway (3rd largest higher education institution in Norway)
- Member, iNEER – ISC
- Involved in organizing nearly 50 international conferences including the ISC of several ICEE conferences
- Editorial member of Journal of Systems and Software, Human-centric Computing and Information Sciences, etc.
- Published extensively in technical and engineering education journals

- Research interests: human computer interaction, multimedia processing and engineering education

James Uhomoibhi, Ph.D.



- General Chair, ICEE-2011 Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK
 - Recipient, iNEER Achievement Award, 2011
 - Visiting Professor of Computer Science and IT, Igbinedion University Okada, and Visiting Professor of Physics, Ambrose Alli University Ekpoma, Nigeria
 - Faculty e-Learning Coordinator and Head of STEM Education Research Group, University of Ulster
 - First degree in Physics from Nigeria, BPhil degree in Italy, and MSc and PhD from Queen's University, Belfast, UK
 - Chartered Physicist and a member of the Institute of Physics in the UK
 - Research interests: technology integration in education, remote and virtual laboratories
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