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EUROPEAN LEARNING STYLES INFORMATION NETWORK (EL SIN)

10TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE – 13TH TO 15TH JUNE 2005

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT, UNIVERSITY OF SURREY, UK

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The University of Surrey's School of Management (SoM) is pleased to host the 10th Annual Conference of the European Learning Styles Information Network (EL SIN2005). The conference is an international forum for the exchange of knowledge relating to theory, research and practice in the field of styles and strategies of learning and thinking.

Call for Papers

EL SIN2005 welcomes submissions that focus on key issues such as:

- *Theory of styles and strategies of learning and thinking
- *The nature of the style construct
- *Approaches to the measurement of styles and strategies
- *Implications of styles and strategies for the design of learning environments (including virtual and e-learning)
- *Implications of styles and strategies for education at all levels and for business organisations of all types
- *Styles and human performance
- *Critical perspectives on styles and strategies

This is not intended to be an exhaustive list. Papers can be empirical or theoretical/conceptual. The key criteria for EL SIN2005 are that submissions should be conceptually, theoretically and methodologically sound, and also that they have something interesting, relevant and original to say about styles and strategies of learning and thinking. **These are the criteria upon which submissions will be assessed.**

Submissions & Deadlines

Abstracts should be no longer than 500 words and submitted in Word format as an email attachment to: l.patton@surrey.ac.uk

- **Deadline for submission of abstract:** 30th January 2005
- **Deadline for acceptance of abstract:** 27th February 2005

Once accepted, full papers should be no longer than 5000 words and submitted in Word format as an email attachment to: l.patton@surrey.ac.uk. Formatting guidelines for full papers will be made available to authors on acceptance of their abstract.

- **Deadline for submission of full paper:** 24th April 2005
- **Deadline for registration:** 23rd May 2005

Please note: It will not be possible to include in the conference proceedings any papers not received by 24th April 2005.

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Best Paper Award

There will be an ELSIN2005 Best Paper Award. The Best Paper will be chosen from those received by the 24th April 2005.

Conference Special Issue of *Education + Training*

We are pleased to announce that there will be a special issue of the journal *Education + Training* in 2006 based upon a selection of papers from the Conference. More information may be found at: <http://www.emeraldinsight.com/>

Conference Web

The conference website can be found at:

<http://www.som.surrey.ac.uk/SOM/Research/ResearchConferencesElsin.asp>

The European Learning Styles Information Network (EL SIN) is an association of academics, researchers and practitioners in the fields of education, psychology, business and management who are interested in the theory and application of styles and strategies of learning and thinking. One of ELSIN's greatest strengths is its inter-disciplinarity and we are always seeking to broaden our base.

EL SIN came into existence ten years ago during the first conference at the University of Birmingham's School of Education organised as a response to emerging interest in issues relating to individual differences learning and cognition and their relationship with performance in educational and occupational contexts.

Find out more about ELSIN and previous conferences by visiting the website: www.elsinnet.org.uk

Proceedings of ELSIN2005

Proceedings will take the form of the refereed abstracts bound into hard copy. Full papers will be available on CD.

Keynote speakers



Dr Bill Lucas is a sought after speaker, facilitator and strategist. His clients include the UK government, Lloyds TSB, Microsoft, NHSU, the NHS Modernisation Agency, the National College of School Leadership, Job Centre Plus, the Probation Service, JCB, Select Education, Staffordshire University, various Learning and Skills Councils and local authorities, and the Australian National Training Authority. Bill is an expert in lifelong learning, change, communication, leadership and the operation of the mind. Bill was the first CEO of the Campaign for Learning (which attracted recognition and accolades from all quarters under the five years of his leadership) and where he created the national awareness raising events - Learning at Work Day and Family Learning Weekend. Bill appears regularly on TV and radio, including The Moral Maze, Newsnight, Night Waves, The Learning Curve, Start the Week and Woman's Hour. In 2001, he was the international guest of Australia's Adult Learners' Week, touring the continent with his irrepressible message about the importance of lifelong learning. He was a key-note speaker at this year's CIPD HRD event at Olympia. Bill is a regular contributor to the national press and is the author and co-author of more than 50 books. His books have been translated into Spanish, Russian, Bulgarian, Korean, Chinese, Portuguese and Arabic. His recent titles include *Power up your mind; learn faster work smarter* (a best-selling book for managers); *Be Creative; essential steps to revitalise your life and work* (written for the BBC with Guy Claxton); *Help your child to succeed: the essential guide for parents* (one of the fastest selling titles in schools at the moment), *Teaching pupils how to learn: research, practice and INSET resources* (describing, with Toby Greany and Jill Rodd, the ground-breaking research of the Campaign for Learning) and *Schools in the Learning Age* (with Toby Greany).

Bill's latest book, due in Spring 2005 is *Discover your hidden talents; the essential guide to lifelong learning*.



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Dr Peter Honey is a chartered psychologist and founder of Peter Honey Publications Ltd. He has worked for Ford Motor Company and British Airways and as a consultant to organisations such as the Bank of England, AstraZeneca, the Automobile Association, ICI and ICL. He is a Fellow of the RSA, the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development, the Institute of Management Consultants and the Institute of Training and Occupational Learning. He was a founder member of the distinguished group that produced *A Declaration on Learning*, is a Patron of the Campaign for Learning and a Trustee of the Lifelong Learning Foundation and the Prisoners' Education Trust. Peter Honey is a dedicated lifelong learner and has written numerous articles (he has a regular column in *Training Journal*) as well as over 20 books, including: *The Manual of Learning Styles* (with Alan Mumford), *Developing Interactive Skills* (with Neil Rackham), *Peter Honey's 21 Questionnaires for Personal Development*, *Explore Your Values*, *How To Manage Your Learning Environment* (with Alan Mumford), *101 Ways To Develop Your People, Without Really Trying!*, *Problem People and How to Manage Them* and *Improve Your People Skills*. In the early 1980's Peter Honey Publishing Ltd was founded to distribute these and other self-managed learning resources. The company markets manuals for trainers and booklets for learners and three electronic development tools - *The Learning Styles Questionnaire*, *The Learning Series* and *The Behaviour Series*. These applications are fully interactive and help individuals and organisations to focus on developing the capabilities that deliver sustained excellent performance. Peter Honey is married, has four children and lives in Berkshire. In his spare time he paints watercolours, makes soups and writes songs. His first album is a CD called *Songs of Life and Learning*.

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