The planned Swiss Virtual Campus

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1.1 „History“

Swiss Virtual Campus

Information and Communication Technologies

"Distance Learning"
## 1.2 Study group „FU.NT“  
(„Formation universitaire et nouvelles technologies“)

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Dr. Franziska B. Marti  
2nd International Conference on  
NEW LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES  
Berne, 8-30/31-1999
1.3 Message
about the Support of Education, Research and Technology
in the Years 2000 - 2003 by the Swiss Federal Government

Support of new information and communication
technologies with the prospect of the Swiss Virtual
Campus

(www.admin.ch/bbw/)
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Public

For everybody? Interaction

Benefits

Costs

Collaboration

Innovation

FUN

Students

Didactics

Technology

Pedagogics

Methodologies

Funding Institutions

Methodologies

Project Partners
2.2 General Expectations
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WIN-WIN-WIN Situation for

Students - Faculty - Society

through an improved educational system
3. State of the Preparatory Phase of the planned Program

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3.1 Process oriented Organization of the planned Swiss Virtual Campus

**Preparation**
- Commission: Preparatory work for the call for papers

**Execution**
- Steering Committee: • Evaluation • Allocation • Information
- FOES: Controlling + Revision
- Commission: Accompanying the Program
- SUC/FOES: Call(s) for papers

**Realization**
- SUC: Program-Management
- FOES: • Implementation • Consequences
3.2 Intended Goals

- Distance and face-to-face education at the universities
- Reinforcement of the collaboration among the universities
- Development of high quality didactic material
### 3.3 Provisional Timetable

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3.4 Financial Planning

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4. Planned Call for Papers

4.1 Structure of the Program
4.2 Conditions of Participation and Instructions
4.3 Selection Procedure
4.4 Requirements and Selection Criteria for Projects
4.1 Structure of the Program

Projects:
- Development of distance learning courses within a regular curriculum (to be attendable via internet)
- Partners of normally 3 universities (optional with partners of industry and/or private institutions)
- Interdisciplinary team

Mandates:
- legal themes
  - economical questions
  - technical questions
  - Credit point system
4.2 Conditions of Participation and Instructions

Proposals in German, French or English:

- max. 6 pages incl. summary, project-description with goals and milestones, budget
- Partners, project-leader
- Support within each home institution
- Expected products and/or benefits for the program
4.3 Selection Procedure

Steering committee:

• Evaluation of the proposals

• Selection and further instructions

• Submission of full proposals by the selected applicants
4.4 Requirements and Selection Criteria for Projects

- Collaboration of several universities
- Common informatic tools on stable platforms
- Support within each home institution
- Didactical and pedagogical innovation potential
- Potential of application and development of the planned courses
- Affordability and user-friendliness of the hard- and software
5. Outlook

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