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## INTRODUCTION

### **2d International Conference of Institutional Evaluation Techniques in Education, ICIETE 2006**

**ICIETE 2006** is the second conference on Institutional Evaluation Techniques in Education, to be held on Samos Island Greece, June 30 - July 3, 2006. It represents an effort to a rather important scientific field. Without any doubt is a difficult but at the same time interesting task.

**ICIETE 2006** will seek to address the new perspectives of education and training systems imposed by their ever-changing role in an evolving multi cultural social environment. Aiming at a competitive and dynamic Knowledge - based society, capable of sustaining economic growth combined with social cohesion, European education should in advance focus on teacher/trainer competence and evaluation of educational systems as a whole.

Providing keynote speakers, plenary sessions and workshops, the conference will provide participants with a forum for intensive interdisciplinary interaction and collegial debate. Those attending **ICIETE Samos 2006** will acquire an excellent overview of current thinking and practices in applications of evaluation to education. Thematic streams will include alternative processes, procedures, techniques and tools for creating learning environments and teacher capabilities competent with the twenty-first century demands in education. The wide range of topics and high level of discussions will surely guarantee a very successful conference.

At this point we would like to express our special thanks to all who have contributed to the organization and scientific contents of the conference. First of all we would like to thank the authors of the articles that are going to be presented to **ICIETE 2006**. Their contribution is crucial and guarantees a venue for a number of discussions. Then we would like to thank the reviewers and the members of the scientific committee and specially Professor Orlik for his numerous contributions. Finally we would like to thank the staff at the Research and Training Institute of the East Aegean.

On behalf the Organizing Committee we welcome you to Samos Island and to **ICIETE 2006**.

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