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**Title**: Successful Integration of Key Competences in Curriculums Training Collegiate Tutors

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Type of Presentation: (check or1_ active paper (15-30 min) poster session (60 min) advanced workshop (45 m	round-table session (60 min)

#### **Short Description**

Experiences with an "IPEK - Train the Trainer" program for collegiate tutors and its influence on an active learning in engineering education and the development of key-qualifications

### Relevance to the Conference Theme, Strands, and/or CDIO Initiative

Please indicate (tick) the strand that the presentation most closely relates to.

Application of CDIO to a wide range of Curriculum and programme design

disciplines

The involvement of industry Technology-enhanced learning Development of professional Assessment of professional

competences

Design-implement experiences

Supporting sciences and CDIO

X Student involvement

competences

X Facilitating change in engineering

education

Evaluating the impact of CDIO

Programs

Active and experiential learning

#### Abstract (maximum one A4 sheet)

Industrial employers increasingly expect engineering students to graduate from university not only having professional skills but also having key competences obtaining personal, social and methodological competencies. Typically, these expected competencies deal with teamwork, team interaction, leadership or methods for problem solving, creativity or project management.

In order to transfer these industrial demands into learning objectives, the Institute of Product Development (IPEK) developed the Karlsruhe Education Model for Product Development. This model comprises three courses on different level focusing on machine elements on basic level, on machine design (methodology) on intermediate level and finally on integrated product development (processes and management) on highest level.

The machine design course is placed in the earliest phases of the curricula and is therefore a good chance and a challenge to develop key competences in all students of mechanical engineering - currently about nearly 800 Students. The course is divided into three parts comprising lectures, tutorials and workshops. Developing and training key-competences in the sence of a special coaching happens in the workshops where students form teams of five members in order to fulfil a small, but complex design task with project character. Nearly 80 collegiate tutors are supporting experienced scientists of the institute in the coaching process. According to a "Train the Trainer" – model the tutors are trained on three tailored weekend courses, containing for example how learning happens, methods to design tutorials, groupprocesses, conflict solving and the assessment of students. The in parallel running current tutorials and workshops are used as test benches accompanied by supervisions. Training and Supervision is guided by a pedagogic Institute belonging to the university. The proposal describes the "IPEK - Train the Trainer" program for collegiate tutors and how this is influencing an active learning in engineering education and the development of key-qualifications

#### **Active presentation techniques**

Describe one or two ways in which you intend to engage the audience (for example, paired discussion, personal response using clickers or flash cards ...). This section is a decisive factor in the acceptance of your proposal and the amount of time you will be allocated.

multimedia based power point presentation with open discussion

## Facilities/equipment required (tick all those appropriate) X Computer projector (provided in all locations)

Overhead projector

Flip charts and pens
Clickers (personal response system)
Coloured flash cards

Post-it notes

Other (please describe)