

Preface

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The University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina", as we know is the oldest and the most important University in our country. This University, since its founding until now, after decades of existence, continues to be the mainstay of higher education in our country. Therefore, I am delighted that on behalf of our university, to welcome the opening and working of the 17th edition of NETTIES Conference, within the theme "Promotion of Innovation and ICT in the Progression of Economic Growth and Country Development".

I want to use this opportunity to thank International Association for eScience that chose our University as the main partner for organizing this edition of NETTIES in our university. I want to thank also my team, vice rectors, ORSP and other staff members, that made this seminar happen, by bringing in our university researchers from different countries of the world, to contribute in this conference.

I appreciate the fact that this edition of NETTIES conference supports the concept of interdisciplinarity. It gives the opportunity to discuss about law, ethics, philosophy, psychology, economy, engineering, or other fields that might be an interest field.

Let me congratulate all of you for being chosen as participants in this conference, especially those who came here from other countries, like Austria, Greece, China, Sweden, Ireland, Romania, UK and Russia, wishing you a warm welcome in Kosovo.

This conference gave the opportunity to spend three days at Prishtina, where an exchange of different academic views and cultural values were possible. Now all this is published in a special edition with an ISBN number. The conference created the opportunity of making new friends and explore Kosovo during an excursion.

I want to shortly introduce our university. As I mentioned above, UP is the leading institution of higher education in our country, as well in Albanian speaking countries. UP has around 45.000 students, 930 academic staff members, more than 350 administrative staff. In our university we cover all the disciplines in our 13 faculties and we have established many offices & centers.

We believe that the way to the success is where the work is based in values. Therefore, UP efforts are based on the values of higher education, as

- Integrity,
- Transparency,
- Equality,
- Accountability,
- Responsibility,
- Honesty and
- Public Responsibility (Duty).

I am congratulating the organizers for their impressive work for giving participants a useful conference to share different views and experiences in favor of elaborating the themes of this conference.

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