

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Venue

The Universidad Politécnica de Valencia is located to the north of the city of Valencia in a peaceful setting that borders with traditional farmland. It consists of nearly 60 buildings arranged in an orderly manner around the Agora, which is the centre of life on the campus. There are over 108,000 square meters of green spaces that house an open-air museum of sculpture.



Valentia Edetanorum - the city of Valencia - was founded in 138 BC. The city was dominated by the Romans during the Augustus Empire, the most significant in Valencian Roman history. This was followed by the Visigoth monarchy in the 6th century with the city coming under Arabic control in 712. It was during that time that Valencia became an important strategic and trading centre as a result of the development of agriculture.

The City of Arts and Sciences is a cultural entertainment centre with stunning architecture and great capacity to entertain, teach and excite by promoting public participation

The last international events held in Valencia, such as the 32nd America's Cup or the Formula 1 Street Circuit, serve as proof of the city's capacity to hold all types of events.



Valencia Airport is located in the nearby town of Manises, about 8 km away from the city. Flights arriving from major Spanish and European cities land there. Furthermore, Valencia connects with destinations all over the world through Madrid and Barcelona.

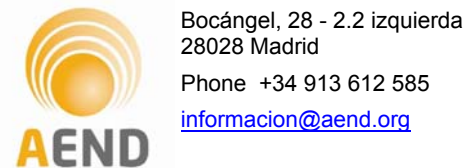
### Hotels

There will be special congress rates in NH hotels Las Artes (I y II), close to "The City of Arts and Sciences" area. To find all hotel reservation forms, please visit the website [www.end2011.upv.es](http://www.end2011.upv.es)

Enquiries: [information@certification2011.upv.es](mailto:information@certification2011.upv.es)

### Local Organization

#### Spanish Society for Non-Destructive Testing



#### Institute of Materials Technology of UPV



## Asociación Española de Ensayos No Destructivos (AEND) Spanish Society for Non-Destructive Testing

### Institute of Materials Technology of the Universidad Politécnica de Valencia

## Certification 2011. 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Certification and Standardization NDT Valencia 2011 June 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>



The certification of personnel is a need to ensure the technical competence of persons that perform the tests. This was solved long time ago.

Thus, with the appearance of ISO 9712 and EN 473 standards that are both in their third edition, the concept of certification bodies accredited according to the international standard EN / ISO 17024 and once established the different MRA, the international community is facing the challenge of establishing a global recognition.

It is not easy because there are important differences between different regions and there are many technical and political problems to solve.

The sixth International Conference on Certification and Standardisation in Non-Destructive Testing: CERTIFICATION 2011 is on its way from London 1993 followed by Birmingham 1996, Meriden 1999, Manchester 2004 and Berlin 2007 to offer a place for the discussion of new ideas and proposals. The speakers will be leaders in their respective fields and we can be sure that they will provide valuable information on new developments.

On this occasion it is also possible to attend the 12<sup>th</sup> Spanish Congress in NDT that which will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> after the CERTIFICATION 2011

#### THE CONFERENCE WILL BE OF INTEREST TO:

- quality and NDT management in industry
- accreditation bodies
- certification bodies
- NDT laboratories
- inspection bodies in all industrial sectors
- regulators in all fields where NDT is vital
- insurance bodies and classification societies
- NDT training and qualification organisations
- engineers involved in specifying NDT
- contributors to NDT and product standards
- specialists involved in setting up new certification systems and those engaged in the development of existing certification systems



## PARTICIPATION

### Exhibition

There will be an exhibition of NDT related products run concurrent to the congress. All shell scheme booths include

Electrical package  
Floor covering  
Company Name Board  
Company Profile in the final programme

Stands technical specifications, cost, and how to reserve them will be available on the conference website at [www.end2011.upv.es](http://www.end2011.upv.es)

### Sponsorship

Are you interested in becoming a CERTIFICATION 2011 sponsor?

In that case please contact the Conference Secretariat, [www.end2011.upv.es](http://www.end2011.upv.es)

### Abstract and Full Paper

Offers of Abstracts and full Papers are invited on all aspects of Non-Destructive Testing, including

- Standardization
- Regulation
- Round Robin trials
- NDT Personnel Certification
- Harmonization of qualification examinations
- Examination specimens
- Training
- NDT quality systems and personnel certification in industry
- Approval of NDT contractors
- Accreditation

All papers will be subjected to peer review by members of the International Scientific Advisory Committee

Abstracts (of no more than 250 words) and papers should be submitted using the electronic submission [www.end2011.upv.es](http://www.end2011.upv.es) until 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2010.

Key dates, guidelines for authors and how to submit a paper will be available on the conference website at [www.end2011.upv.es](http://www.end2011.upv.es)

The proceedings will be published as cd-rom and will be available at the conference

### Registration

For details and fees please visit the Conference website. The delegate registration fee covers the attendance at all sessions and exhibition, a proceedings CD, coffee breaks and lunches, [www.end2011.upv.es](http://www.end2011.upv.es)

### Deadlines

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| Submission of abstracts  | 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2010 |
| Information sent to authors about the acceptance of their papers | 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2011  |
| Submission of full papers  | 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2011    |