

ECBE ANNUAL CONFERENCE MADRID, MAY 25-27, 2018

Dear friends and colleagues,

It is a special pleasure to invite you to ECBE's conference in Madrid this year. The theme of the conference is "**developing global competencies in a changing world**". I am sure you will agree that this is a very topical issue, given the huge changes in the economic and political landscape which businesses are responding to at this time. The conference is open to both Members and non-Members. This invitation is going out to 1200 interested parties, so we expect a lively discussion with papers on a range of related topics. We are already in discussions with keynote speakers.

Attached to this message you will find an application form with details of hotel arrangements, conference costs and related events. In particular, I would also like to draw your attention to the **pre-conference seminar on May 24 – "quality assurance and student centred learning"** Schools preparing for or interested in accreditation will find this especially helpful. Please contact Bob Johnson, Chairman of the ECBE Board of Commissioners for more information (bob.johnson66@talktalk.net)

The conference is also the opportunity to hold our AGM and your attendance is particularly important this year to learn about (and, I hope, approve) changes in ECBE's governance and management structure.

Finally, we are still looking for colleagues who would like to present a paper. Your contact for this is our VP, Dmitry Kuzin (dvkuzin@inbox.ru). Dmitry will be writing to you separately with a call for papers.

I am hugely looking forward to welcoming you personally to Madrid, where the weather will be warm, the tapas tasty and the beer cold!

Best wishes



Ray Hilditch,
ECBE President 2017/18

