



# International Circle of Educational Institutes of Graphic-Media Technology & Management

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Anastasios E. Politis, Chairman of the IC

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Dear colleagues and friends, members of the IC:  
Here are the latest news from the activities of the International Circle

### The 54th IC Congress in Wuppertal, Germany



The 54th IC conference was held in Wuppertal, Germany on 18-20 September 2023. It was organized by the University of Wuppertal, again jointly with the 49th iarigai conference. The event was a very successful one, including 28 interesting scientific presentations (with 12 of them during the IC part of the conference), 4 keynotes and 62 participants from 12 countries.

During the third day of the conference, a Networking Day was organized by the University of Wuppertal, in collaboration with ESMA and SPS, which included ten table top exhibits, two keynote speakers, three live presentations by the researchers from the University of Wuppertal and three more live presentations of printing equipment at SPS TechnoScreen.

We, the members of the IC Advisory Committee, would like to thank the organizers from the University of Wuppertal for their great effort to organize a very successful event!



*Image 1: View of the IC conference, track 2*



*Image 2: The networking day event*



*Image 3: Group photography of the IC and iarigai participants at the conference*

## 54<sup>th</sup> IC conference – Proceedings are published

The proceedings of the 54<sup>th</sup> IC conference have been published in a digital form, and they have been distributed to the conference participants. The proceedings have been published by HELGRAMED - the Hellenic Union of Graphic Arts and Media Technology Engineers. They are uploaded at the IC website, see:

<https://www.internationalcircle.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/IC-Proceedings2023.pdf> .



Image 4: The cover of the 54<sup>th</sup> IC conference proceedings

## IC Participation at drupa 2024



Drupa is the world's most important exhibition for the printing industry. It is held in Düsseldorf and is expected to showcase all the recent important developments and cutting-edge innovations and trends in the printing industry. Drupa will take place from 28 May to 07 June 2024.

After a successful presence with a stand at drupa 2016 and the participation at virtual drupa in 2021, the IC advisory board and in particular Gunter Huebner and Anastasios Politis were quite active and managed to have a stand at drupa 2024.

After intensive consultation and discussions with Messe Düsseldorf, the International Circle has managed to book a stand of about 49 square meters in hall 7.0 (dna-drupa next age). The stand is dedicated to educational and research organizations (non-profit) in the printing and media sector and the International Circle is the main exhibitor. Partner universities have the opportunity to register as co-exhibitors until the end of 2023.

The management and staffing of the stand will be provided by HELGRAMED - Hellenic Association of Graphic Design and Media Technology Engineers. The chairman of the IC Anastasios Politis, is organizing the team of colleagues from Greece, who will work on the pavilion.

### **55th IC conference, 18-20 September 2024 in Zurich, Switzerland**

For 2024, the 55<sup>th</sup> IC conference will take place in Zurich, Switzerland, again jointly organized with iarigai. More information as well as the call for papers will be announced in in the following weeks.

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The IC advisory board would like to wish you a successful year-end race and a good preparation for the Christmas and holiday season, which comes as a complete surprise ;-).

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