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Politehnica University of Timisoara is synonym with professionalism in higher education, passion for technology, promoting of true values and regional development. In 2016, we had the pleasure of hosting and co-organizing the Smart Learning Ecosystems and Regional Development Conference. The three main topics of the conference – understanding influences, relations and models, abilities, skills and competences, and techno ecosystems – are of interest for our university, as they are in line with our strategical preoccupations. Therefore, we consider that any academic discussions and research concerning smart learning ecosystems and the development of new learning and teaching models, adapted to the needs of the millennials, are not only welcomed, but very much needed by universities throughout the world.

Politehnica University of Timisoara has always supported innovation, through creative thinking and team work, that is why we are now proud to be among the best universities in Romania and Eastern Europe.

After 96 years of existence, Politehnica University of Timisoara impresses through its many amphitheatres and classrooms, modern laboratories, student residences, canteens and student restaurants as well as through its modern sport complexes unequalled in Romania and in the neighbouring countries.

Politehnica University of Timisoara, nowadays, welcomes students and fellow researchers with a new library, opened in 2014, with new didactic and research laboratories, with a new sport complexes and synthetic grass – the most advanced from Romania.

Moreover, our university has always tried to find solutions to improve the chance of successful careers for our students and now it presents itself with a new system of practice in companies that allows a better gathering of practical competences and a good insertion on the labour market.

With the strength of tradition and the power of dynamism we shall find the means to adapt to the changes of the world.

I wish you success in your academic endeavour.