**DESIGNING THE FORMAT FOR**

**THE CDIO INTERNATIONAL FALL MEETING**

**Problem/Question**

The fall meeting of the CDIO initiative has been in place for some years now. The pandemic forced us the rethink the possibilities in a timely way. The CDIO Initiative is a global initiative and there are many issues that need to be addressed, both globally, regionally, and locally. In the past, the fall meeting was a fairly intensive two-day meeting, which was challenging to assist in presence if the meeting took place literally on the far side of the globe. Responding to the pandemic in 2020 the meeting was designed as an on-line relay event, where issues were discussed regionally, and then relayed to the next time-zone around the world. The event was labelled “Chase the Sun”, and was considered more proof of concept than clear success. The design was slightly modified and repeated in a similar format in the fall of 2021

The CDIO Council has decided to establish a working group in order to plan for the future (hopefully non-pandemic) fall meetings, building on the experiences from the last two year’s on-line events. Interested participants are invited to join us to discuss the possibilities, and establish a small working group to look further into the matter in order to deliver a recommendation about the future format of the Fall Meetings to the CDIO Council in the beginning of the fall.

**Leaders** (the persons who will evaluate the applications):

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**Things to be done before the physical conference**

The group will start working together remotely prior to the conference. They can also continue their work throughout the conference. Include an action list of what the selected working group members must do before the conference. Examples could be collection of data on national/institutional level, interviews with students at own institution, evaluation of understandability of the CDIO rubric at own institution, etc.

**Actions:**

1. Meet, prepare and develop discussion topics before the June international conference
2. Explore a list of activities, tools, conference formats, etc. to better structure CDIO fall conference output and optimize participant’s time.
3. Proposal to CDIO Council of the Fall 2022 Conference format.

**How will the finalization of the state-of-the-art paper be organized**?

Shortly after the conference this committee will submit a State-of-the-Art paper for inclusion in the proceedings (after review by the Program Committee).