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E-ATP Ready to Welcome In-Person & Virtual Conference Delegates

Registration and Sponsorship is open for the October 11 - 13, 2022 Hybrid Event



Join us in London or virtually 📀 11 - 13 October 2022

The Europe-ATP Steering Committee continues to look forward to hosting its first in-person conference since 2019 at the Radisson Blu Edwardian Heathrow hotel outside of Central London. With its programme set and its theme one of homecoming: E-ATP: The European Home For Assessment, plans are continuing to shape up as registration and sponsorship climbs. "There is a lot of optimism about this conference," noted 2022 E-ATP Chair Tim Burnett of Education Tech Consulting. "We are excited to be both online and in-person this year, I'm particularly looking forward to networking with colleagues face-to-face. We have lots to discuss as so much has changed in the assessment industry in Europe and beyond and I believe this event will be pivotal for the future of assessment." [Read More Here]

ATP Coalition Releases Two New Guidance Documents on Test Fraud



The ATP Test Content Infringement and Fraud Coalition, Chaired by Carl Bowman of CompTIA, has released two new guidance documents aimed at educating both test takers and testing organizations involved in high stakes testing about the prevalence of fraudulent testing practices, how to identify them, and how to combat them. [Read More Here]



ATP Launches New Award For 2023

Rising Leader Award to be Offered for Young Professionals

Board member and 2023 ATP Award Chair Amy Riker of Curriculum Associates announced the launching of a new ATP award focusing on young professionals. "The ATP Rising Leader award will recognize and honor a young professional who has made a significant impact in advancing the assessment industry within an organization or institution, advancing the knowledge and understanding of tests and/or services related to clinical, occupational, certification, licensure, educational or other similar uses; and has demonstrated a high level of professionalism and business ethics consistent with ATP's mission to promote and preserve the general value of testing and its value to society, in all its forms and uses," stated Riker in outlining the scope of the award. [Read More Here]



LEGAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Update on Privacy Laws

ATP's General Counsel Alan Thiemann recently reported that there is some optimism that there could be a new version of a self-certification approach for companies adhering to the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). A new approach would fill the void left On July 16, 2020, when the Court of Justice of the European Union issued a judgment

declaring the EU-U.S. Privacy Shield as "invalid". The EU-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework was intended to be a mechanism used by U.S.- based companies to comply with EU data protection requirements when transferring personal data from the European Union to the United States. That decision left US companies with no avenue to show compliance with the GDPR except for the use of Standard Contractual Clauses or Binding Business Rules. Subsequently, ATP has attempted to provide updates to its members on how to deal with transfers of personal data to the US. [Read More Here]



Innovations in Testing Planning Committee Looks Ahead to 2023: *Call for Papers Ends Friday, July 22*

Following a kick-off meeting held this spring in Dallas, Texas, 2023 Innovations Conference Chair Isabelle Gonthier of PSI announced the theme of next year's conference would be: **Better Together – Learning, Assessments, Outcomes.** A Call for Presentations was released shortly thereafter, with a deadline of Friday, July 22nd. The Conference is scheduled for March 12 – 15, 2023 in Dallas, TX at the Hilton Anatole.[<u>Read More Here</u>]



ATP's 2021- 2022 Annual Report Released *Report reflects both growth and stability*

ATP has released its Annual Report showing financial growth and stability in 2021 and looking ahead to 2022. As ATP CEO Dr. William G. Harris wrote in his letter to members, "In 2021 and the first half of 2022, ATP has continued to reflect both growth and

transformation, as exponential changes continue to impact our industry. Through the continued support of members and sponsors, including a generous anonymous donation, and the continuation of successful virtual programming, combined with fiscal responsibility, ATP entered 2022 in a solid financial position." [Read More Here]

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