

Dear Readers,

Due to the “A” Qualis National qualification of ETD - **Digital Thematic Education** by ANPEd, its team decided to celebrate the fact offering to our readers and collaborators, who contributed so much to achieve this goal, launching a special thematic number, ending the year of 2007. This time the Group of Studies and Research in Higher Education (GEPES) of UNICAMP Education Faculty is involved in the organization of the issue.

For this reason, the DOSSIERS section was dedicated to Studies and Research in Higher Education, with the inclusion of seven unpublished works, which deals with university reform, the Bologna process, skills, evaluation and higher education, plus, educational policy, with the collaboration of national and foreign authors.

In the first article, we have counted with the cooperation of Fátima Antunes, with *"The european higher education area toward a new educational order."* Then, Cássio Ricardo Fares Riedo and Elisabete Monteiro de Aguiar Pereira report on *"The Bologna process and its consequences in Italy."*

In the third case Maria Carmen López López highlights in his work *"The European higher education and its impact on the evaluation of teaching-learning process."* Antonio Bolívar wrote the fourth article on *"The planning out through competences of the higher education Bologna reform: a critical analysis."*

The author Carmen Célia Barradas Correia Bastos, reports on *"The Bologna process in European space and the Brazilian higher education reform."* Similarly, José Dias Sobrinho also refers to the *"The Bologna Process"*.

Ending the issue of the Journal, Mário Luiz Neves de Azevedo writes about *"The European system of higher education integration: from Rome to Bologna, or, from the economic integration to academic integration."*

We hope everyone has a great reading of the works presented!

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