European Ergonomists



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As the barriers to the movement of people within Europe were being removed over two decades ago, it became evident to the leaders of the European Ergonomics societies that some common agreement on the level of expertise of a competent ergonomist would be useful to both those wishing to use the services of ergonomists and those providing services.

The Centre for Registration of European Ergonomists (CREE) was established to administer a registration system for professional ergonomists based on the minimum requirements agreed by all member societies. Today CREE brings together the views of almost all the ergonomics societies within the area of the Council of Europe.

CREE is recognized by the International Ergonomics Association (IEA) and the Federation of European Ergonomics Societies (FEES) for certifying professional ergonomists.

CREE is made up of representatives from all the member societies and an elected administrative board. It grants the title "European Ergonomist", which may be shortened to Eur.Erg. In collaboration with the national professional bodies, CREE specifies the minimum standards of knowledge and practical experience necessary for professional practice and it registers all applicants as European Ergonomists who are assessed as meeting these criteria.

International Ergonomics Association
Dedicated to ergonomics development since 6th April, 1959 all around the world.

Federation of European Ergonomics Societies
Created in 2004 to enlarge the chance to influence the quality of life in Europe. FEES covers around 20 ergonomics societies in Europe.

HETPEP CREE official document
Issued from a professional work conducted in Europe between 1985 and 1992. HETPEP (Harmonising European Training Programmes for the Ergonomics Profession) was published in 1992.



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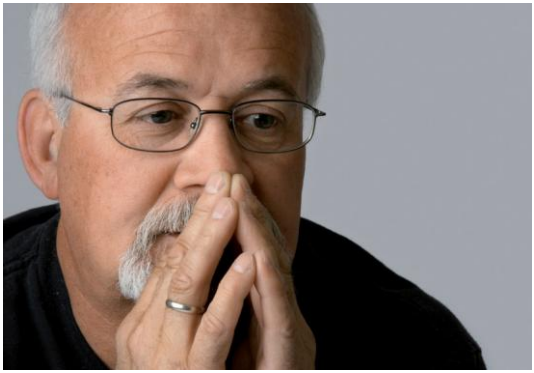
European Ergonomists can integrate knowledge and experience from a range of disciplines **to design products, processes, activities, organisations and environment** taking account of human characteristics, limitations, needs and capabilities to facilitate performance, health and well-being. They have all been peer-assessed as meeting the requirements of CREE.

Registered European Ergonomists have **demonstrated their experience** in taking full responsibility for the use and application of ergonomics knowledge and methods in practical situations over a period of at least three years following their ergonomics education.

European Ergonomists have agreed to abide by a professional **Code of Conduct**. Those working in applied research are equally as acceptable to CREE as those working in industry and commerce, government service or in private consultancies.

Registration is valid for a period of 5 years after which a review is required and demonstration of **professional development** is essential for renewal of the registration. This guarantees the continuous professional quality for the employer or client.





Why Register?

❖ As an ergonomist

Becoming a European Ergonomist is a way to

- Contribute to the recognition of professional ergonomics practice. Having a certification system helps the ergonomics community promote the greater inclusion of ergonomics in international projects and programmes.
- Connect you with other professionals and potential employers. You get informed about important international events.
- Provide with your Eur.Erg. title, evidence of your professional experience and recognition of your ergonomics competence. It facilitates working in other countries where your education may be unfamiliar to employers.

❖ As a company

Calling or asking for a registered European Ergonomist is a way to

- Quickly find suitable people for your job in your region (www.eurerg.eu).
- Get assurance that the ergonomist you employ is professionally competent for the job.
- Know that your ergonomist keeps up to date with professional developments.
- Ensure the professional ethics of the ergonomist you use.



How to register?

❖ To apply

Interested ergonomists should apply by completing an application in their own language to their national assessment board. Their addresses can be found on the CREE website.

❖ The registration steps

Applications must be submitted to the national assessment boards prior to CREE Council meetings which are held twice per year, usually in June and December.

The national assessment boards assess all applications and decide whether the candidates meet the minimum requirements set by CREE. Suitable applications are passed to CREE and undergo a final review at CREE Council meetings.

Shortly after the Council meetings, candidates are informed of the CREE decision by their national representative.

Successful candidates receive a certificate as a proof of their status. They can use the Eur.Erg. title as soon as they have been accepted by CREE and paid the necessary fees to the national board.

Requirements

Applicants should be able to demonstrate experience in taking full responsibility for the use and application of ergonomics knowledge and methods in practical situations over a period of at least three years following their ergonomics education. The minimum academic qualification requirement is three years of university level education.

Further details can be found on the CREE website

www.eurerg.eu

and for Germany on the national website:

ww.gesellschaft-fuer-arbeitswissenschaft.de/ausbildung-qualifizierung-kontakte_euro-ergonom-cree-gfa.htm

Registered Ergonomists throughout Europe



CREE was created in 1993 and has been registering ergonomists since 1995. Currently there are **more than 500 European ergonomists on the register**.

❖ Member Societies

In most countries of Europe, the ergonomics societies have chosen to participate in CREE in order to promote the practice of ergonomics.

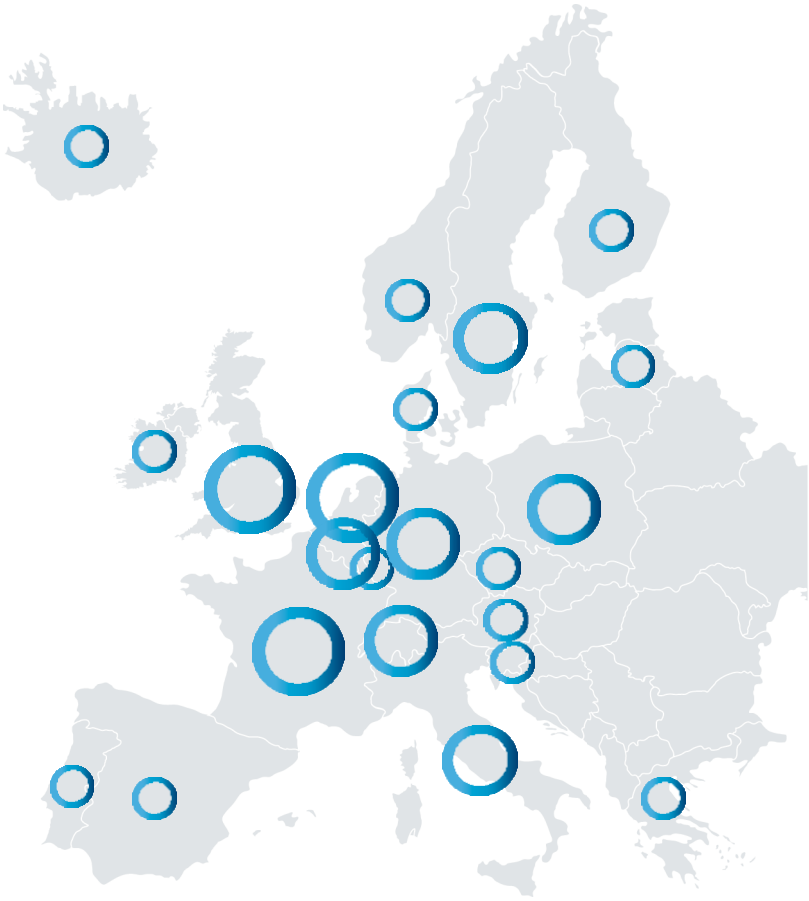
CREE members contribute to the development of the title and its recognition in Europe, for ergonomists and in ergonomics training programmes and courses.

❖ Diversity and broad practice in a nutshell

European ergonomists throughout Europe are represented in their different countries by ergonomists involved in the national ergonomics associations and bodies.

CREE is therefore deeply involved with the issues and concerns of professional ergonomists throughout Europe.

European Ergonomists represent variety and diversity of the practice of ergonomics in Europe. Integrating all that diversity into a common perspective is the major purpose of CREE.

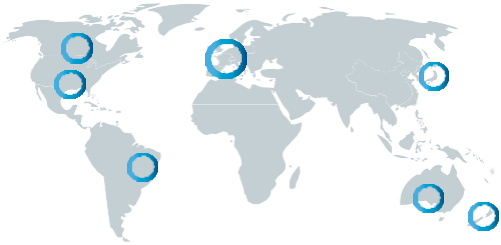


The following countries are represented CREE:

Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Lettland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland.

Accreditation bodies throughout the world

Several countries and regions of the world have set up a certification process for professional ergonomists. These accreditation are key to improving the competences of ergonomics profession by providing a high quality of services, based on a defined training and high standards of practice.



- Australia : www.ergonomics.org.au
- Brasil : www.abergo.org.br
- Canada : www.ace-ergocanada.ca
- Europe : www.eurerg.eu
- Japan : www.ergonomics.jp
- New Zealand : www.ergonomics.org.nz
- UK : www.ergonomics.org.uk
- USA : www.bcpe.org

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