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Abstract

The CARE Antenna Virtual Centre has been developed and deployed inside the European posrtal of the Antenna Research, at www.antennasvce.org.

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1. First CARE workshop

1.1. The CARE Antenna Virtual Centre development and architecture

The CARE Antenna Virtual Centre has been developed by ITL and deployed as part of the ACE VCE portal at www.antennasvce.org.

The Antenna Virtual Centre development took benefit from the latest Internet technologies (Web 2.0, Java J2EE, XML, JSP/ASP) applied during the design and the implementation of the portal software.

Security issues have been taken into account, to avoid intrusions on confidentialinformation, by the adoption of a secured access based on Username and Password mechanism.

The architecture of the Antennas Virtual Centre of Excellence has been conceived in order to support the researchers secondments, the CARE events, the Antenna Training Program and the dissemination of the CARE results. This structure will allow an easy upload of the antenna related information, including the latest news in antenna technology, scientific events, books advices, conferences, etc. in order to keep the European excellence on antenna research at the highest levels.

1.2. The services provided by the CARE Antenna Virtual Centre

Once entered in the CARE Antenna Virtual Centre, the researcher accesses the CARE virtual room, integrated inside the AntennasVCE portal, able to provide:

- the advertisement of the available CARE secondments for researchers;
- the information for applicants, both hosts and secondees, on CARE secondments;
- a common point of documents and knowledge exchange for the CARE hired researchers;
- a source of knowledge on Antenna Expert Groups and the Antenna Best Practice, with reports posted on this issue;
- the information about the Antenna Training Program courses, in collaboration with the European School of Antennas, with the registration support;
- the advertisement about the CARE workshops and other events;
- the spreading of the CARE results.

It is important to mention that the CARE Antenna Virtual Centre acts at different levels:

- 1) towards the citizen, in order to raise the awareness of the public, by a public set of web pages accessible without password
- 2) towards the scientific community, by distributing the state-of-the-art knowledge, by a dedicated section accessible to the Antenna Scientific Community by Username/Password
- 3) towards the industry, in order to create synergies in the manufacturing chain, by spreading information about brokerage events and potential collaborations across Europe on antenna applications.
- 4) towards the CARE project, in order to improve the teams synergy, by providing a data exchange infrastructure, a meeting management service, a team communication layer, etc.

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2. ANNEX1: CARE in the AntennasVCE homepage

The following figure shows the homepage of the European Association on Antennas and Propagation at www.antennasVCE.org, where the CARE project has been integrated to gie the maximum of visibility to the antenna scientific community.



Fig.1 - The Antennas VCE homepage

By clicking on the CARE logo or on the CARE title, both on the right, the public user can access to the CARE project information, subdivided by project Work Packages, as presented in Fig. 2, see next page A specific section on Secondments is available for applicants and for open positions, where the application

forms are available.

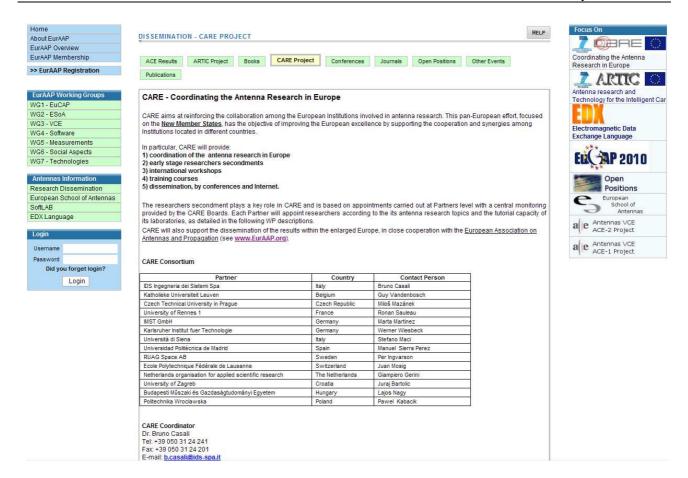


Fig.2 - The CARE section

By accessing the EurAAP portal as EurAAP members, registered at the same portal, a wider set of information is available, i.e. including the papers presented at the EuCAP Conferences.