

LACCEI 2020 VIRTUAL



The impact that the pandemic has had on all sectors has been unprecedented, especially in the international supply chain and changes in the social aspect. This situation has forced us to reinvent ourselves in one way or another, creating spaces for creativity and use of technological tools and virtual communications.

With this same character of facing this unique moment in our lives, LACCEI has decided to continue with its fundamental purpose of facilitating and promoting global collaboration for the continuous advancement of engineering, technology, education, research, practice and innovation, connecting Latin America and the Caribbean with the rest of the World.

This year LACCEI has reinvented itself by holding its International Multiconference for the first time, in a **totally virtual, interactive and synchronous** way, under a new proprietary online platform, where we will meet and share our experiences and work submitted for this 18th version of the LACCEI conference. The registration process remains open and membership rights are preserved for institutions that have renewed their membership for this year.

It is vitally important to note that all the papers approved and presented in the Virtual Conference will have the same validity for regular indexing. Then, the articles presented at the conference will be published in the LACCEI digital proceedings with ISBN, ISSN and additionally, the Full papers will have DOI and will be indexed by **SCOPUS** and other online open indexers.

We are sure that the easy navigation in the online platform and the different presentations and acts inherent to the event, will make this conference an extraordinary experience of contact and participation. We hope to see you soon, virtually, at **LACCEI 2020!!!**

MATILDA II LAUNCHING



The Argentinian Federal Council of Deans of Engineering (CONFEDI) and the Latin American and Caribbean Consortium of Engineering Institutions (LACCEI) announce the launch of Matilda and the Women in Engineering in Latin America 2. The appointment will be next Saturday, June 6, date in which Argentina celebrates its 150th anniversary of Engineering, as a tribute to engineering and engineering women from Latin America, and especially from Argentina.

This second book brings together 44 authors from ten countries who made their contribution in 39 articles (19 articles correspond to Argentina). It was edited by Ing. Roberto Giordano Lerena, from the FASTA University of Argentina, and Dr. Adriana Páez Pino, from the Sergio Arboleda University of Colombia, who expressed: *"It is necessary for women in engineering to have greater representation, be leaders, competitive, creative, resourceful, with competencies in emotional intelligence, and who demonstrate their feminine strengths. Engineering needs them. We are looking for them!"*

For LACCEI, this new book implies strengthening the establishment of gender issues in Latin America and the Caribbean and including them permanently in its work and dissemination agenda. In addition, it means a new project of regional scope in conjunction with CONFEDI, demonstrating the strength of inter-institutional cooperation.

Matilda 2 and the Women in Engineering in Latin America can be downloaded for free from www.confedi.org.ar