## **Educational Technology**

Call for Papers for the 2012 Conference

Educational technology is intended to improve education over what it would be without technology. Some of the claimed benefits are: Improved student motivation; wide participation; easy-to-access course materials; improved student writing; and subjects made easier to learn (Wikipedia).

Research based evidence is needed to confirm, practical demonstrations are appreciated, and critical voices will be needed to discuss over the topic. Special theme of the year is ?Education: Key Competences for the Future?. Presentations may be focused, but are certainly not limited, to future learning technologies, promising technology based learning and teaching platforms, Internet forums & social blogs, digital storytelling, podcasts, educational use of smart phones, information aggregators, social bookmarking and more. Academic playground (5-10 min practical demos) will be arranged, and also school visit, if possible.

Please submit your 300 word abstract no later than January 31st 2012 to <a href="mailto:kari.kumpulainen@chydenius.fi">kari.kumpulainen@chydenius.fi</a> and copy to <a href="mailto:kari.kumpulainen@oulu.fi">kari.kumpulainen@oulu.fi</a> (TIG leader).