SDL Survey and Introduction

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Universities within the SDL forum

1. TU Kaiserlautern Germany

2. Technical University Helsinki Finland

3. University of Texas Dallas USA

4. Malaga University Spain

5. University of Florence Italy

6. ENSSAT(Engineering School) France

7. Humboldt-Universität Berlin Germany

8. University of Ottawa Canada

9. ENST Bretagne Rennes France

Results

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		Yes	No
1	Does your university have any taught modules of SDL? If the answer to Q1 is no then go to Q7	9	
2.	Are some modules undergraduate?	9	0
3.	Are some modules post graduate?	5	4
4.	Is the content of the modules just about learning SDL?	The answers here were not well defined but 50/50	
5.	Are there some applications to which SDL is applied?	9	0
6.	To what areas of communications is SDL applied?	Types of protocols 5 Railway signalling 1 Automotive control 1 Automatic test case generation 1	
7.	Do you intend to teach SDL in the future?	9	0

Universities external to SDL forum

1. The University of Greenwich London UK

2. The Open University Milton Keynes UK

3. The University of Virginia USA

4. Technische Universität München Germany

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·1		Yes	No
1	Does your university have any taught modules of	2	2
	SDL? If the answer to Ql is no then go to $Q7$		
2.	Are some modules undergraduate?	2	
3.	Are some modules post graduate?	2	
4.	Is the content of the modules just about learning		2
	SDL?		
5.	Are there some applications to which SDL is	2	
	applied?		
6.	To what areas of communications is SDL applied?	Protocols	
7.	Do you intend to teach SDL in the future?	2	2

Conclusions

• Universities need to be encouraged to introduce broader programmes of SDL teaching and not confine its use to that of protocol engineering.

• Those Universities that teach SDL should be encouraged to publicise their activities.