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Defining a new research agenda for the learning design field
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The main activities carried out during my visit at the GSIC/EMIC research group – University of Valladolid (UVa), include:

1. Reciprocal *exchange of experiences*, ideas and projects between the researchers at the UVa and myself.
   In particular, at the beginning of the visit (June 30th, 2015) a *face to face session* was organized, where I introduced my institute and my personal research interests to the whole group. This allowed the researchers to get an idea of possible common topics.
   Then *individual meetings* were scheduled (with all the permanent staff and PhD students), during which we discussed our points of view and main research results and we shared information, etc.
   Among the others, closer interactions occurred especially with Prof. Yannis Dimitriadis, Prof. Juan Ignacio Asensio Pérez, Prof. Alejandra Martínez Monés.

2. *In depth study* of the ILDE platform for learning design (developed at UVa), to investigate the possibility to integrate the Pedagogical Planner and the 4Ts model (both conceived and developed by ITD) into the Spanish platform. This has been done through *several informal interactions*, and reading of literature suggested by my hosts, as well as through a number of skypes organized between myself, the GSIC/EMIC group and also with the technical staff at ITD, to discuss also the technical issues related to the integration. This work has already led to a preliminary technical integration between the two systems that has proved the feasibility of the project. The plan is to complete such integration in the following months and then finding experimental contexts where to test and validate the resulting overall system.

3. *Shared discussion* about the research agenda in the field of learning design; this has led to the drafting of a joint paper (authored by myself, Prof. Dimitriadis and

Prof. Pérez) which is going to be submitted to the *International Journal of CSCL* (ISI/JCR journal).

4. *Investigation of possible future collaborations*; in particular up to now this has led to the elaboration of a draft project proposal, which will be submitted for funding during the next call within the Erasmus+ European Programme. The proposal lays the basis on the work already done by the two research groups (see point 2.) and is aimed to carry it out, by building a complete system for learning design (LD), able to support the three main phases of the LD process (including Conceptualization, Authoring, and Implementation). Furthermore, during my visit a thread has been open, related to the possibility for the two institutions to share PhDs students. At the moment one research fellow working at ITD, is already applying for a PHDs at UVa; the resulting research programme will tackle again the same topic of the STM, namely the learning design research field.