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will help fill anticipated needs in the job market for employees with expertise in crop protection, animal health and food processing. (*Times Higher Education Supplement*, September 9, 1988)

● Brighton Polytechnic has introduced a Master of Engineering (MEng) degree. The program will help fill the need for industrial managers possessing a broad appreciation across the entire spectrum. The program will be open to students from the Bachelor of Engineering (BEng) programs in the areas of civil, electrical and electronic, mechanical, and production engineering. (*Times Higher Education Supplement*, August 12, 1988)

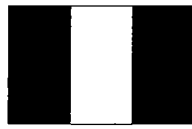
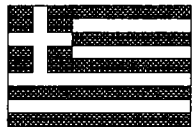
● Middlesex Polytechnic has instituted a new Bachelor of Science Honours program in environmental technology. The goal of this four-year sandwich course (a British term meaning cooperative study) is to meet in-

dustry demands for graduates who understand the interdependence of the environment and technology. (*Times Higher Education Supplement*, August 12, 1988)

USSR

● A university is to be established in Ulyanovsk, Lenin's hometown. Ulyanovsk was formerly known as Simbirsk. Lenin established the University of Simbirsk in 1920, but that institution was closed after the famine and devastation of the civil war. To honor Lenin after his death, the town was renamed Ulyanovsk after Lenin's original surname (Ulyanov), and the new university will be known as the University of Ulyanovsk. Initially, the university will operate as a subsidiary branch of Moscow University, becoming fully independent in 1992. (*Times Higher Education Supplement*, August 5, 1988)

IN BRIEF



Representatives of engineering organizations in the 12 member-states of the European Community (EC) met in Brussels this year and unanimously agreed upon a mutual standard for the highest levels of engineer to be recognized in each country. This was done so that engineers moving within the Community countries would not secure a title of higher standing than that to which they were entitled in their own country. All engineers in EC countries will now be placed in one of the two following categories: 1. Engineers with the highest level title in each country, as described below. 2. Other engineers not possessing the highest title of their own country.

HIGHEST LEVEL TITLES OF ENGINEER IN EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

BELGIUM ingénieur civil
 ingénieur agronome
 ingénieur chimiste & des
 industries agricoles
 (all abbreviated "ir")

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|-------------|---|
| DENMARK | civilingenior |
| GERMANY | diplom-ingénieur(THU)*/University) |
| GREECE | qualified engineer (translation) |
| SPAIN | ingenior superior |
| FRANCE | ingénieur diplômé |
| ITALY | ingegnere |
| IRELAND | chartered engineer |
| U.K. | chartered engineer |
| NETHERLANDS | ingénieur (abbreviation "ir") |
| PORTUGAL | engenheiro |
| LUXEMBURG | titles of the neighboring countries (no national university) |

Source: Prof. Dr.ir.L.Gelders
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Q & A

G. James Haas, Associate Director of Admissions, Indiana University, asked the **Swedish Fulbright Commission** to explain the nomenclature of the Swedish secondary school certificates.

The **slutbetyg** is the final certificate awarded to students who complete nine years of compulsory education. The **avgangsbetyg** is the certificate of completion of upper secondary education issued by schools or municipal and state adult education centers. In order to meet the requirements specific to the department they plan to join, applicants for admission to Swedish universities are often asked to take additional secondary-level courses. The successful completion of such courses leads to the award of a **betyg** in single secondary school subjects.

Joseph P. Capobianco, Registrar, CUNY, Queens College, asks: Is it true that the Republic of San Marino is developing its first university?

According to **Umberto Eco, internationally acclaimed semilogist, professor at the University of Bologna and author of *The Name of the Rose***, the answer is "yes." Writing in the September 4, 1988 issue of *L'Espresso*, Eco describes the steps being taken to realize this project after some twenty years of proposals. Although San Marino has been an important site for conferences and cultural gatherings, its citizens have had to go abroad (mostly to Italy) for university studies. While Eco explains that a full-fledged university will not rise overnight, he notes the following initiatives which he likens to the "humble origins" of universities:

- a recent agreement between San Marino and Italy, allowing Italian university professors to collaborate with the nascent university
- the institution of research and university-level teaching centers
- a summer program in history
- an international center for cognitive and semiotic studies.

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IN BRIEF CONTINUED

● Leeds University (England) and the University of Complutense (Spain) are collaborating on a program in politics and parliamentary studies. Leeds University is currently offering a program in which students spend six months working at the House of Commons and six months working in Congress in Washington, D.C. The new program with Spain will commence in 1991, with two students from Spain and two students from England exchanging

places. All four students will spend six months at the House of Commons and six months at the Cortes, the Spanish parliament. Emphasis will be placed on high-level language proficiency and an understanding of the political systems in the context of detailed historical background. (*Times Higher Education Supplement*, July 29, 1988)

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● At a meeting held in Luxembourg in June, representatives of the twelve-member nations of the European Community agreed to move toward the mutual recognition of most professional degrees. The agreement, which will take effect after 1990 following ratification by the European Parliament, covers almost 80 professions regulated by governments or the professions.

The new agreement stipulates that any diploma awarded in a member country after three or more years of higher education would be recognized and granted the same professional rights in all member countries, similar to the proposed accord on engineering qualifications (See page 4). Until this new accord, the recognition of professional degrees was subject to bilateral agreements, except for degrees in medicine and pharmacy, which already enjoy recognition throughout the European Community. (*Le Monde de l'Education*, September 1988)

Among this latter center's first activities will be a series of two-day workshops by internationally recognized scholars. Over the next two years, the center also will host scholarly meetings, conferences, debates and inter-disciplinary research.

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