

The ULL's Fundación Cepsa Chair of Energy Efficiency renews its collaboration for 2020

The director of Cepsa in the Canary Islands and representative of the Fundación Cepsa in the Islands, José Manuel Fernández-Sabugo, and the Rector of the University of La Laguna, Rosa Aguilar, have recently signed an addendum to the agreement with the Fundación Cepsa Chair of Innovation and Energy Efficiency to formalize the action plan envisaged for 2020.

This university chair is presided over by Andrea Brito, the Professor of Chemical Engineering at the University of La Laguna. Her tasks include preparing an industrial thesis on the coprocessing of oils and fats in the diesel hydrotreatment process, which will be jointly run by the Cepsa research center and the university institution's Heterogeneous Catalysis group.

This year's collaboration will also include not just support for the TeideSat student project, whose aim is to design, build, put into orbit and operate a nanosatellite based on the CubeSat standard, but also an attempt to bring the Internet of Things (IoT) closer to university and high school students.

The first call for entries for awards for best Bachelor's Thesis (TFG) and Master's Thesis (TFM) is about to be published with the ones which the chair, which is dependent on the Vice-Rector's Office for Culture and Social Participation, wishes to lend recognition to the theses whose subject matter relates to the university chair's goals.

The Vice-Rector of Culture and University Extension, Juan Albino Méndez, intends to extend this award next year to doctoral theses, as a means to providing greater scope to these unpublished works, which contribute new knowledge and are little appreciated socially.

Falling within this action framework too is the program for student interns, as well as the launch of a classroom dedicated to technology, simulation and energy, to which end the chair is seeking a location, which is expected to be on the Anchieta campus and open to every profile type. The idea is to create several work areas as well as innovative content out in the open.

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