



## **Tutors of Final Project Degree Profile Analysis in Telecommunications**

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A Master Thesis prepares students to tackle the transition from the theoretical knowledge acquired during engineering studies to the actual practice of the profession. In this process, the tutor plays a key role. The aim of this paper is to analyze the capabilities and shortcomings of mentors of Master Thesis in Telecommunications Engineering from the point of view of students. To this end, an online questionnaire has been developed which was made available to students of Master Thesis of the Telecommunications Engineering School of the Polytechnic University of Madrid. The results show that, regardless of department or area of knowledge in which the thesis is elaborated, the problems highlighted by the students are always related to the planning undertaken by tutors. This result leads to propose a number of recommendations in order to improve this particular aspect.