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UP-DATE ON THE WORK OF TPG C on QA

TPG B MEETING

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Composition of TPG C on QA

2021-2024

- Chaired by 3 co-chairs: Belgium/Flemish Community, Romania and Kazakhstan
- **50 members:** 43 countries + EC + 6 consultative members
- **Umbrella project: IMINQA** – Implementation and Innovation in Quality Assurance through Peer Learning

Coordinator: Ministry of Education and Training (BE/FL)

Partners: ARACIS (RO), ENQA, EQAR

Experts: Third co-chair (KZ) involved as expert. Three other experts from Belgium/FR, Romania and EUA.

Action plan of Thematic Peer Group C on QA

Thematic orientations

- Legislative framework in line with the ESG
- Internal quality assurance
- Enhancement-oriented use of the ESG
- The European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes
- Cross-border Quality Assurance
- *Quality assurance of micro-credentials*
- *Quality assurance of European Universities*
- *Digitalisation of quality assurance processes*

Work plan: <http://ehea.info/page-peer-group-C-QA>

- 35 countries OK, 2 countries partly filled, 5 countries not filled (Estonia, Montenegro, North-Macedonia, Spain, Ukraine), 1 just joined

Meetings

1. 30 June 2021, Kick-off Meeting of the TPG C on QA, online
2. 17-18 May 2022, First Meeting of the TPG C on QA, Belgium
3. 30 November 2022, Second Meeting of the TPG C on QA, online
4. 1-2 June 2023, Third Meeting of the TPG C on QA, Kazakhstan
5. November 2023, Fourth Meeting of the TPG C on QA, online
6. May 2024, Fifth Meeting of the TPG C on QA, Romania
7. November 2024, Sixth Meeting of the TPG C on QA, Belgium

Staff mobility

Staff Mobility - timing call 1

- Launch of the call for applications: June 2022
- Deadline for applications: 31 July 2022
- Matchmaking committee meeting to evaluate the applications: 31 August 2022, Brussels (Belgium)
- Announcement of selection results: September 2022
- Staff mobility: October 2022 – March 2023
- Matchmaking committee meeting to review the observation reports: 30 May 2023 (Kazakhstan)

IMINQA Staff Mobility call 1

Overview of applications

Number of received and selected applications, per type of organisation

Applications Staff Mobility	Received	Selected
Total	41	37
QA agency	34	31
Ministry	4	3
Stakeholder organisation	3	3

- Mix of applying countries, in what regards the stage of development of their external Quality Assurance system (as described in Scorecard indicator n°4 in the Bologna Implementation Report 2020: range from orange to dark green.)
- Host countries also range from orange to dark green, with a prevalence of dark green countries.

Staff mobility

Staff Mobility - timing call 2

- Launch of the call for applications: 25 January 2023
- Deadline for applications: 31 March 2023
- Matchmaking committee meeting to evaluate the applications: 30 May 2023 (Kazakhstan)
- Announcement of selection results: June 2023
- Staff mobility: 1 June 2023 and 29 February 2024
- Matchmaking committee meeting to review the observation reports: May 2024 (Romania)

Peer learning activities

1. **Aligning the legal framework with the ESG (i.e. EHEA key Commitment) –**
Brussels, 1 September 2022
[Preparatory Analysis - Melinda Szabo](#)
2. **Cross-border QA and QA of Transnational education (TNE) –** Romania, 21 March 2022
[Preparatory Analysis - Melinda Szabo, Blazhe Todorovski](#)
1. **European Approach for QA of Joint Programmes –** Belgium, September 2023

➡ *The PLAs include a preparatory note based on existing analyses, data and reports and are followed by a thematic analysis.*

Working Groups

WG on QA of micro-credentials

First meeting: 2 September 2022, Belgium, Brussels

Second meeting: 27 February 2023, Online

Third meeting: 14 September 2023, Belgium, Brussels

Aim: *to build on the work and findings of the MICROBOL project and develop practical tools for QA of micro-credentials*

- Produce a desk research that will gather data and explore the different approaches to QA of micro-credentials across EHEA -> survey (+interviews), writing group
- Preparation of guidance for internal QA and external QA of micro-credentials -> writing group
- Preparation of key considerations for non-HEI providers of micro-credentials -> writing group
- Explore how micro-credential providers can be included in DEQAR, conduct a feasibility assessment on quality label, and propose a harmonised data standard for information on micro-credentials -> EQAR

Working Groups

WG on QA of European Universities

First meeting: 17 June 2022, Online

Second meeting: 17 January 2023, Belgium, Brussels

Third meeting: November 2023, Belgium, Brussels

Aim: *build on the work of the EUNIQ project; investigate ways for successful implementation of external QA for European Universities.*

- Carry out an analysis of legal and regulatory obstacles for quality assurance procedures of the European Universities Alliances -> draft January 2023, final version soon
- Feasibility study in 5 EHEA countries -> selection ongoing
 - For this group of countries: PLA1: April 2023, PLA2 November 2023

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Digitalisation of QA processes

Aim: mapping the situation of QA procedures and internal functioning of QA agencies in EHEA countries from the perspective of digitalisation, as well as data management and sharing; reflecting on a medium-term vision for enhancing QA processes and procedures based on technology

How:

- Documentation
- Survey-based mapping: launched April 2023
 - Identification of good practices
- Interviews with some QA agencies representatives
- Reflection Group
- Thematic workshop: Nov 2024

Thank you!

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