Long-term secretariat

TF Kick-off

3 Dec - Brussels

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Date	What	Who
Sep 2024	establish a dedicated BFUG working group for the period 2024 – 2027 to oversee implementation	BFUG
spring 2025	launch a call for proposals for host of the Secretariat, incorporating the principles above	BFUG
		Input WG
June/July 2025	deadline for expressions of interest	
summer/autumn 2025	evaluate proposals and propose shortlist for the BFUG	WG
	review proposals for location and shortlist no more than 3	
Oct/Nov 2025	address the BFUG's questions with the shortlisted countries / organisations, further review of proposals for the BFUG decision	WG & BFUG
Nov 2025 Mar 2026		Heat condidates 9 MC
Nov 2025 – Mar 2026	Specification of legal, financial, organisational details respecting the relevant regulations and circumstances including the funding model. Plan for the Head of the Secretariat recruitment	Host candidates & WG
spring 2026	Selection of the potential Secretariat host / location	BFUG
	GO / NO GO DECISION	Input WG
	Alternatively, a call for a "rotating secretariat" linked to the host of the next ministerial conference 2030	
Nov 2025 – autumn 2026	Drafting Statutes, review of EHEA Rules of procedure, identification of potential necessary changes. Capacity specifications, resources	Host & WG
autumn 2026	Approval of the statutes of the new legal entity and selection of the Head of Secretariat	BFUG
autumn 2026 – spring 2027	Founding the new legal entity in the chosen location / other relevant steps	BFUG, WG, Host accordingly
first half of 2027	Recruitment and training of further staff	Head of the Secretariat
	Organisational preparation	
spring 2027	Official launch of the EHEA secretariat	Ministerial Meeting
	During the Ministerial conference	
1 July 2027	EHEA Secretariat full operation	Secretariat
	Take over of the agenda of the previous secretariat	

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