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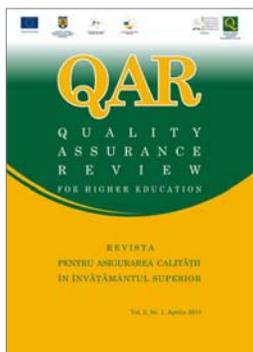


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The 2nd International Conference on Institutional Strategic Quality Management in Higher Education ISQM 201014 – 16 October 2010, Sinaia – Romania

Aims

The conference aims to provide opportunities for exchange of information, good practice and ideas in international university cooperation as a key condition for quality assurance in higher education. It will provide an opportunity for academics, students, educational and quality improvement administrators and researchers to promote discussions and share knowledge, experience and expertise on the developments and best practices in higher education quality assurance. This conference will also analyze the challenges and issues pertaining to new developments, innovation, and technology based education. Policies, governance, management in education and transnational education will also be discussed.

Conference Topics:

- The impact of international cooperation in Quality Assurance of higher education;
- International evaluation in higher education Institutions;
- New environments and challenges in higher education;
- The Best Practices in Quality Management, new policies and practices in Higher Education;
- Transnational Education of the Quality Assurance;
- Student contribution in Quality Assurance of Higher Education Evaluation;
- Labour market and Bologna graduates;

Abstract Submission

All submissions will be in English Language in MS Word format.

Research-based papers will include a critical analysis of the current issues and challenges in higher education and quality assurance. The abstract will also include the research question(s), hypotheses, methodology, data collection, findings or results and discussion.

Abstracts will have a maximum of 250 words in Times New Roman, font 12 and will be submitted via e-mail to the Program Committee at isqm2010@aracis.ro.

Submission will also include the *title of the paper, the name(s) of the author(s), affiliation(s), contact details and e-mail address(es)*, as well as four key words that describe the paper and choose the appropriate topic.

Important Dates

Abstract submission deadline	05 May, 2010
Notification of abstract acceptance	25 May, 2010
Receipt of full papers	31 July, 2010

Contact: isqm2010@aracis.ro

Venue of Conference

International Hotel, Sinaia, Romania <http://www.international-sinaia.ro/>

Stagii de formare pentru studenții evaluatori

În perioada 9 – 14 mai 2010, Uniunea Națională a Studenților din România (UNSR) împreună cu ARACIS organizează Training-ul de formare a studenților evaluatori, cu o participare de 30 studenți. Training-ul se va desfășura în cadrul Universității Politehnica din București.

În perioada 16 – 21 mai 2010, Alianța Națională a Organizațiilor Studențești din România organizează împreună cu ARACIS, Training-ul de formare a studenților evaluatori, cu o participare de 30 studenți. Training-ul se va desfășura în cadrul Universității Dunărea de Jos din Galați, în cooperare cu Liga Studenților din Galați.

ENQA seminar - "Quality and Transparency in Higher Education: Expectations, Tools and the Link to Institutional Autonomy", 17-18 May 2010, Bologna, Italy

ENQA, in cooperation with the Magna Charta Observatory of Fundamental University Values and Rights, is organising a seminar on quality assurance and transparency in higher education which will be held on 17-18 May 2010 in Bologna, Italy.

ENQA realises that there is a steadily growing interest amongst students and all stakeholders of HE and the public at large in accessing detailed and reliable information on the quality of individual study programmes, faculties and higher education institutions. ENQA is aware that external quality assurance activities in higher education set up by quality assurance agencies are producing only part of the information. Besides quality assurance agencies that enshrine their activities in the ESG, there is a growing number of providers of information about higher education. The proliferation of ranking schemes and other transparency tools is one aspect of this increasing need for information about higher education institutions and their activities.

The relevance of ranking and other transparency tools has recently been echoed by the Leuven/Louvain-La-Neuve Communiqué of 2009: "We note that there are several current initiatives designed to develop mechanisms for providing more detailed information about higher education institutions across the EHEA to make their diversity more transparent. We believe that any such mechanisms, including those helping higher education systems and institutions to identify and compare their respective strengths, should be developed in close consultation with the key stakeholders. These transparency tools need to relate closely to the principles of the Bologna Process, in particular quality assurance and recognition, which will remain our priority, and should be based on comparable data and adequate indicators to describe the diverse profiles of higher education institutions and their programmes".

In the ongoing debate about purpose and relevance, about strengths and threats of rankings ENQA raised the concern that transparency tools could foil the enhancement-driven aspect of quality assurance in higher education by stifling self-critical reflection.

The purpose of this seminar is to discuss expectations from HEIs and other stakeholders concerning information on quality of HE and the contribution of quality assurance and transparency tools to meet these expectations. The expected outcome is a preliminary set of guidelines for information tools which will feed into a position paper on information and transparency tools.

The seminar is addressed mainly to ENQA members, associates and affiliates.

Venue

[Aula Giorgio Prodi](http://www.complexosgm.unibo.it/ComplessoSGM/AulaProdi/default+english.htm)

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San Giovanni in Monte

Piazza San Giovanni in Monte 2

40124 Bologna

Registration and Fee

The places will be filled on first come first served basis. The registration can be done on the [registration area](https://secure.greenspot.fi/enqa/reg/) (<https://secure.greenspot.fi/enqa/reg/>) of the ENQA website. The deadline for registration is **April 15, 2010 or until the seminar is fully booked**. Organisations can register one participant each (excluding speakers). The participation fee is 150 euro.

For further information, access

<http://www.enqa.eu/eventitem.lasso?id=311&cont=eventDetail>

Annual ENQA Internal Quality Assurance (IQA) Seminar, London, UK, 8-9 June 2010

ENQA, in cooperation with the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA, UK), is organising a seminar on IQA which will be held on 8-9 June, 2010 in London, United Kingdom. This marks the annual meeting of the ENQA IQA Group.

Objectives of the seminar

The purpose of this seminar is to unite quality assurance (QA) agencies and other stakeholders that are interested in operational internal quality assurance systems, and/or who are planning to implement such a system. The seminar will provide a platform for discussing shared challenges, concerns, innovative ideas and future expectations which may then be applied to individual IQA practices and/or future IQA processes.

The seminar is open to all ENQA Full and Candidate members, Associates, Affiliates and any other agencies and networks that are interested in IQA practices.

Programme

A draft programme will soon be made available.

All other information, including venue location and accommodation, will be provided when the registration page is opened.

For further information, please contact *Paula Ranne* (paula.ranne@enqa.eu) and *Michele Soinila* (michele.soinila@enqa.eu) at the ENQA Secretariat or access <http://www.enqa.eu/eventitem.lasso?id=315&cont=eventDetail>.

General Assembly and Workshop "10 Years European Higher Education Area, 10 Years CEE Network" 28 – 29 May 2010 Sofia-Plovdiv, Bulgaria

The Central and Eastern European Network of Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education will hold its biennial General Assembly meeting in Sofia, Bulgaria on 28 and 29 May 2010. Linked to this event will be a workshop "Quality Assurance in a changing world" celebrating the double anniversary of the EHEA and the CEE Network, with topics focusing on issues important for CEE Network members in the Bologna process.

The event will bring together representatives from the member agencies and participants from European organizations operating in the field of higher education.

There have been also invited to participate in the workshop representatives of ENQA, EQAR, OECD and ESU.

Hosted by:

National Evaluation and Accreditation Agency, Council of Ministers



Venues:

University for National and World Economy



Agrarian University Plovdiv



Joint Programmes: Too many Cooks in the Kitchen? Challenges for Accreditation, Recognition and Transparency

The European Consortium for Accreditation in higher education (ECA) will organise the conference Joint Programmes: Too many cooks in the kitchen? The conference is aimed at agencies, higher education institutions, students, recognition authorities and governments, and will be held in Graz (Austria) on 10 and 11 June 2010.

You are cordially invited to look at the programme and register on line at <http://www.eaconsortium.net/main/events/registration/joint-programmes:-too-many-cooks-in-the-kitchen/4>.

Joint programmes are confronted with national quality assurance and accreditation procedures in the countries involved. One programme therefore has to undergo several different, national procedures. These procedures then lead to decisions that only have an impact in one national higher education system. The conference in Graz presents a methodology for a single accreditation procedure of joint programmes. An accreditation of a joint programme by one agency can then be accepted by other agencies.

Furthermore, the recognition of a joint programme in one country does not necessarily entail recognition in the other countries concerned. This then leads to recognition problems regarding the degree(s) awarded by the joint programme. The conference presents how joint programmes can improve the recognition of their degrees and how recognition authorities (ENIC-NARICs) currently evaluate their degrees.

Transparent information on accredited joint programmes and qualifications, accreditation and recognition systems, qualification frameworks and higher education systems is made available through the website [Grossroads](http://www.grossroads.eu/home) (<http://www.grossroads.eu/home>). The improved and extended website will be presented in Graz.

This conference disseminates the results of ECA's [TEAM II](http://www.eaconsortium.net/main/projects/team-ii-) (<http://www.eaconsortium.net/main/projects/team-ii->) project which is funded by the European Commission.