

EQAR Members' Dialogue

26/27 November 2015

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Venue:

**Bulgarian Ministry of Education and Science,
entrance at Pl. Nezavisimost 2, 1000 Sofia**

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- 9:00** **Opening Session**
- Welcome and introduction to the meeting agenda by:
- Nikolay Denkov**, Deputy Minister of Education and Science, Bulgaria
- Maria Kelo**, Chair of the Executive Board, EQAR
- 9:30** **Keynote presentations** on the latest policy developments relevant to quality assurance:
- Chair: **Eric Froment**, Chair of the Register Committee, EQAR
- **New Developments in Quality Assurance Brought by the Yerevan Conference**
- Françoise Profit**, Head of the BFUG Secretariat
- **The Revised ESG – Challenges on the Way from Adoption to Practice**
- Tia Loukkola**, Director for the Institutional Development unit (EUA) and EQAR Executive Board, Drafting Group for the Revised ESG
- Q&A
- 11:00** Coffee break
- 11:30** Oxford-style debate on the motion:
- “The automatic recognition of degrees can be guaranteed by QA procedures aligned with the ESG and national QF aligned with EQF and QF-LLL”**
- Moderator: **Noël Vercruyssen**, Senior Project Manager, Internationalisation of Higher Education, Department for Education and Training, Belgium/Flemish Community
- For the motion (1 ENIC-NARIC, 1 government):
- Claudia Gellenj**, President of the ENIC Network
- Ana Tecilazić-Goršić**, Head of Sector for Quality of Higher Education, International Cooperation and European Affairs, Croatia,
- Against the motion (1 ENIC-NARIC, 1 government):
- Luca Lantero**, Director, ENIC NARIC Italy

Andrejs Rauhvargers, Head of the Latvian Quality Assurance Agency

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Knowledge Café Session – Policy developments after the Yerevan Communiqué:

- **Legal frameworks for the revised ESG:**

The impact of the new ESG on quality assurance in Bosnia and Herzegovina – **Benjamin Muhamedbegović**, HEA BiH

Lessons from the Peer Assessment of Student Centered Learning (PASCL) - **Fernando Miguel Galan Palomares**, Chairperson of the European Students' Union (ESU)

- **Legal framework on Cross-Border EQA:**

Ana Tecilazić-Goršić, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports Croatia

Nadejda Velisco, Head of Higher Education Department, Moldova

- **Implementation of the European Approach for QA of Joint Programmes**

Luis Delgado, General Secretariat of Universities, Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports, Spain

Mark Frederiks, NVAO & ECA Coordinator, the Netherlands

15:45 Coffee Break

16:15 Brief introduction into the self- evaluation of EQAR (2015/16)

Lucien Bollaert, Vice-Chair of the Register Committee, Member of the Self-Evaluation Group of EQAR

16:45 **Parallel sessions**

Following EQAR self-evaluation topics

Format: discussions moderated by Self-Evaluation Group members, based on guiding questions

18:00 Day ends

19:30 Dinner

Friday 27 November 2015

- 9:30** **Parallel sessions**
(continued from day 1)
- 11:00** Coffee break
- 11:30** Plenary session:
Main Messages from Parallel Sessions and Knowledge Café
- **Peter Greisler**, Head of Directorate Universities of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research, Germany
- Wrap Up Plenary on Conclusions and Next Steps**
Chair: **Colin Tück**, Director, EQAR Secretariat
Panellists:
- Klara Engels-Perenyi**, Policy Officer, Directorate-General for Education and Culture, European Commission
- Daniel Miescher**, Head of Division for Upper Secondary and Higher Education, Office of Education, Liechtenstein (BFUG Co-Chair)
- Corinne Kox**, Ministry of Higher Education and Research, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg, (BFUG Co-Chair)
- 13:00** **Lunch and departure**