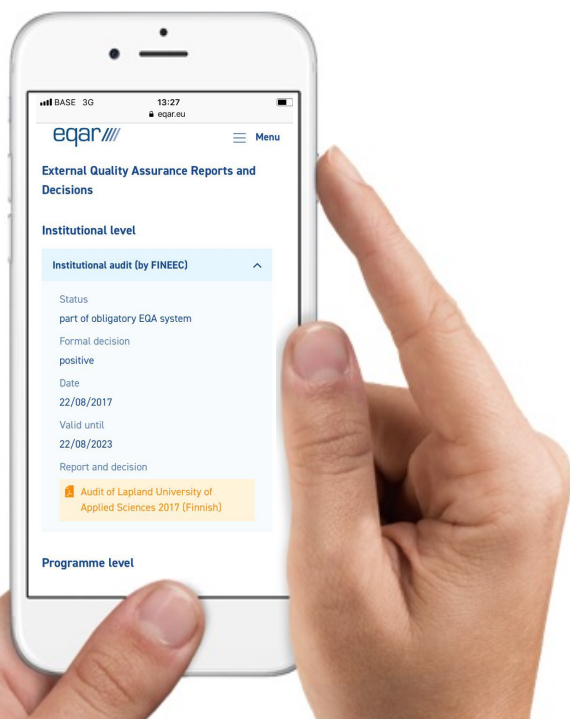# DEQAR CONNECT – Enhancing the Coverage and Connectivity of Quality Assurance in the EHEA through DEQAR

Problem Domain:

Higher Education Institution (HEI) Identifiers

DEQAR CONNECT - HEIDI Roundtable

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Why?

- **Why HEIs?**
  - Pivotal entity for many of us
  - Least granular after countries
  - Various other entities (students, courses, programmes) are linked/associated

- **Why identifiers?**
  - We deal with quite different sorts of data, but about the same subject – HEIs
  - Most of our data is standardised and well-described, allowing for mapping or translation
  - Identifiers thus most urgent

What exists?

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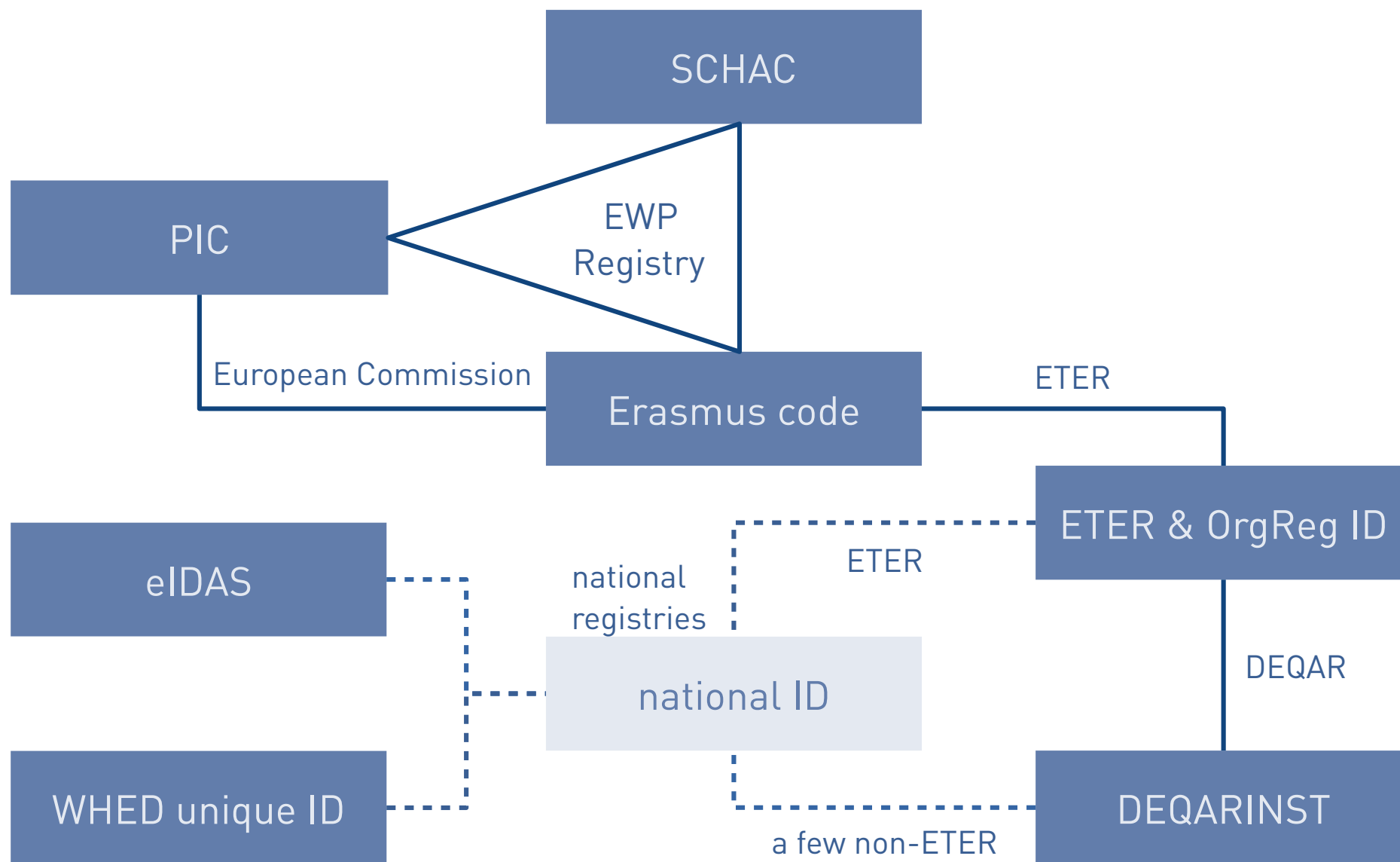
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What exists?

But…

- Different scopes, definitions & granularity

- Mappings are not exhaustive

- Synchronisation and propagation of changes

- Consistency?

Use Cases

- Cross-check info in other databases
  (e.g. in recognition)

- Link and correlate datasets
  (e.g. Europass and DEQAR, ETER and other statistics, ...

- Single reference list of HEIs
  (e.g. Europe-wide applications, ...)

- Geographic information
  (e.g. clustering, ...)

- Navigate history
  (e.g. info on accreditation in the past, ...)

Next steps suggested

- More use cases to discuss today

- Technical group to come up with requirements

- Policy group confirm requirements

- Technical group to come up with proposals