EQAR Strategy 2024-28

Planning and discussion document

1. Introduction

The first EQAR Strategic Plan was developed for the period 2013-2017. Following this first plan, a second EQAR Strategic Plan was adopted by the General Assembly in 2018. This second Strategic Plan covered the period 2018-2022. This means that in 2023 a new Strategic Plan for 2024-2028 should be developed.

2. Working methods

To create the new Strategic Plan 2024-2028, all stakeholders have to be involved. Therefore, discussions with the EQAR Board members and the EQAR Register Committee have already taken place in September and October 2023. During the Members' Dialogue in autumn, also the Governmental members together with other stakeholders will be involved in the preparation of the Strategy.

The new Strategy will be based on the previous strategies, EQAR's external evaluation and new developments within the European Higher Education Area.

3. Proposed timing

	Timing		
First discussion at the EQAR board: focus on timing and working methods	3 July 2023		
Discussion document prepared by EQAR staff and president	28 August 2023		
Second discussion at the EQAR board: focus on content of the strategy	4 September 2023		
First discussion with the Register Committee	12-13 October 2023		
Discussion at the Members' Dialogue	9-10 November 2023		
Draft 1: integration of Board, RC and MD input in to a first draft	November 2023		
Third discussion at the EQAR board	18 December 2023		
Second discussion with the Register Committee	11-12 December 2023		
Draft 2: send to all members	January 2024		

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Opportunity to make comments by all members	Feb 2024	Members' Dialogue	
Final draft strategy circulated to members	March 2024	, , , , , ,	MD23
Adoption by General Assembly	12 April 2024	Author	MSo 0.1

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4. Discussion topics

The EQAR Members are invited to reflect on the position, tasks and work of EQAR in the past years and exchange ideas on the road ahead. The proposed approach for this session is for our members to express themselves on where and how they want to position EQAR in 5 years.

Discussion items:

We propose to have an overall reflection on the current of role and position of EQAR, given the changing, diverse HE landscape and QA framework in the EHEA.

EQAR as a major actor in European QA

- If we were to redesign the QA framework in the EHEA, would it be the same?
- Do we see a need for change within the current mission and vision of FQAR?
- Should we strengthen our sharing of and communication on QA statistics?

Representing our members

- How can we better serve our members and engage them in our work?
- Is the composition and the way of working of the Register Committee fit for purpose?
- Is the composition and the way of working of the EQAR board fit for purpose?
- How to balance the core task regarding the Register with innovation, (national) data collection, policy work, research and cooperation with members and stakeholders?

Our mission to the general public

- How can DEQAR be made even more user-friendly?
- What are new features that would be interesting for you?
- Can we imagine ways of promoting DEQAR more to the broad public?

EQAR in the international arena

- What is the role for (D)EQAR in international cooperation outside the EHEA?

Projects and funding

- How should EQAR position itself towards international projects?
- Can/should we use new projects to further develop DEQAR and adapt to new developments?

Internal organisation

- What possible ways do you see for EQAR to generate enough/more funding in order to be able to perform its tasks in a qualitative way?

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