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NATIONAL AGENCY
for HIGHER EDUCATION
QUALITY ASSURANCE
(UKRAINE)

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

The National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance (NAQA)

and

The Hungarian Accreditation Committee (MAB)

The National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance is a permanent collegial body, a legal entity of public law that operates in accordance with the Law "On Higher Education" and the Statute approved by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine. The mission of the NAQA is to catalyse positive changes in higher education and to shape its quality culture.

NAQA is a member of CEENQA, GAIN, ICAI, INQAAHE and was granted the affiliate status with ENQA in 2020. It aims the provision of quality educational services and systemic impact of its activities and the recognition of the quality of scientific results. Among many of the Agency's values trust, transparency and innovation are high of importance and reflect on the values represented by ENQA.

NAQA collaborates with similar agencies in other countries in order to develop and apply efficient measures of improving the quality of higher education.

The Hungarian Accreditation Committee is a national expert body for monitoring, safeguarding and evaluating the quality of teaching, scientific research and artistic activities in higher education. The MAB conducts ex ante and ex post evaluation of both programs and institutions. Ex ante evaluation of programs includes giving opinions on the national-level educational and outcome requirements (which are framework requirements for all degree programs in Hungary and appear in a ministerial decree), and new programs to be launched at institutions. The MAB is a member of ENQA, CEENQA, WFME and listed in EQAR while also contributing to DEQAR.

Recognising the importance of quality assurance and the ESG (Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area) in the enhancement of higher education provisions and for promoting trust;

Mindful of each Party's achievements in the quality assurance field; and

Aiming to strengthen and broaden cooperation and mutual assistance in the quality assurance of higher education in their respective countries, in accordance with the principle of equality, mutual benefit and mutual interaction, and the exchanging experiences in quality assurance;

Have reached the following understanding *inter alia*:

CLAUSE 1

The Parties aim to better understand the national approaches to assuring quality in higher education, and the respective systems in place.



CLAUSE 2

This Memorandum provides the areas of cooperation for developing and implementing joint projects, events and other forms of cooperation.

In order to reach common goals and results, Parties consider the following ways (not limited to):

- i. Designing and implementing joint quality assurance procedures (institutional and programme level), trainings, consulting activities, innovation and research projects;
- ii. Participation in events, seminars or conferences organized by either of the Parties;
- iii. Staff exchange and capacity building of national experts' bodies from both organizations, in particular, submitting scientific articles in the journals of the two agencies; in addition, recommend experts to join the body of international experts of both agencies.

CLAUSE 3

Both Parties agree that all activities specified in Clause 1 and in Clause 2 of the present Memorandum are to be realized on the basis of specific agreements, to be concluded by Parties on each joint project, and detailed work plans which shall include specific information on planned joint activities, organizational forms, and implementation requirements.

CLAUSE 4

Both Parties regard the present Memorandum as a declaration of intentions, which entails no legal and financial liabilities on joint activities of the Parties.

CLAUSE 5

The Parties shall not disclose any confidential data and information which has become known in the process of the cooperative activities, except such data and information which has become public knowledge through no fault of the Parties.

CLAUSE 6

The memorandum will take effect from the date of signing for a period of 5 years. The memorandum may be altered at any time with the consent of both Parties. The Memorandum may be terminated by either Party giving 6 (six) months prior notice.

CLAUSE 7

The Head of NAQA and the President of MAB will have responsibility for managing the Memorandum of Understanding. This responsibility may be delegated to a relevant member of their staff in relation to particular areas of cooperation.

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