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Mutual Accreditation Recognition Agreement

This Mutual Accreditation Recognition Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”) is concluded between:

The National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance (NAQA), (represented by Andrii Butenko, Head of NAQA, having its registered office at: 2, Maidan Nezalezhnosti, Kyiv, 01001, Ukraine),

and

The Hungarian Accreditation Committee (MAB), (represented by Dr. János Ede Szilágyi, President of MAB, having its registered office at: Arena Corner Office Building C, 40–44 Hungária Boulevard, 1087 Budapest, Hungary),

hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Parties”, for the purpose of supplementing and reinforcing the Memorandum of Understanding dated 29 November 2022 (hereinafter, the “MoU”) between them, with the provisions set forth in this document.

Preamble

- Recognising the importance of strengthening international cooperation in quality assurance within the European Higher Education Area (EHEA);
- Recalling the MoU concluded between the Parties;
- Acknowledging the shared commitment of the Parties to promoting transparency, trust, and efficiency in external quality assurance processes;

The Parties hereby agree as follows.

Article 1

Mutual Recognition of Accreditation Outcomes

The Parties agree to extend their cooperation to approach cross-border quality assurance procedures (CBQA) at the strategic level.

In order to enhance cooperation, avoid duplication of procedures, reduce administrative burden for higher education institutions and quality assurance agencies, and strengthen the efficiency and effectiveness of external quality assurance processes, the Parties agree to



mutually recognise the outcomes of their accreditation procedures in accordance with national legislation.

Accordingly, the Parties acknowledge each other's:

- accreditation decisions, and
- expert evaluation reports produced in the course of accreditation procedures,

both in relation to programme accreditation (programme evaluation) and institutional accreditation, without the need for an additional or separate recognition procedure, if provided for by applicable national legislation.

The MAB informs the NAQA that, pursuant to Section 67 (4b) of Act CCIV of 2011 on National Higher Education of Hungary, a Hungarian higher education institution is entitled to request that, instead of the MAB, an organization listed in the European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR) be commissioned. Accordingly, the MAB may consider the evaluation equivalent only if the agency is registered with EQAR.

The NAQA informs the MAB that, pursuant to Paragraph 6¹ of Section 1 of Article 18 of the Law of Ukraine "On Higher Education" № 1556-VII from 01.07.2014, NAQA adds information to the Unified State Electronic Database on Education (USEDE) regarding certificates (official decisions) on the accreditation of study programmes issued by foreign accreditation agencies or higher education quality assurance agencies, the list of which is approved by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

Article 2

Extension of Cooperation

The Parties shall maintain an ongoing professional dialogue and cooperate in the CBQA proceedings, including, where appropriate:

- the exchange of information regarding relevant regulations, standards, procedures and the related outcomes;
- the provision of expert advice and professional consultation; and
- support in the interpretation of applicable national legislation and regulatory frameworks where necessary.

Article 3

Review and Further Development of Cooperation

The Parties shall review the implementation of this Agreement every two years and may, by mutual written consent, introduce amendments or further provisions aimed at strengthening their cooperation.

This Agreement shall constitute an annex to the Memorandum of Understanding concluded between the Parties on 29 November 2022 and shall be interpreted in conjunction with that Memorandum.

Article 4
Dispute Resolution


Any disputes shall be resolved amicably through consultations or negotiations between the Parties.

Article 5
Final Provisions


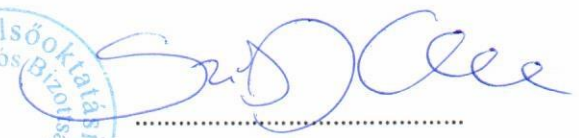
In matters not regulated by this Agreement, the MoU currently in force between the Parties shall apply. This Agreement has been concluded by mutual consent of the Parties. Having read and understood the provisions contained herein, the Parties confirm that the Agreement reflects their shared intentions and commitments.

The Agreement is executed in two original copies in the English language, each Party retaining one original copy.

Signed in Budapest, on 23 April 2026.



Andrii Butenko
Head of NAQA



Dr. János Ede Szilágyi
President of MAB



Legal countersignature: 

Dr. Kőfalusi Eszter

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