



Workshop: International Accreditation for Degree Programmes in Engineering, Informatics and the Natural Sciences – Benefits, Requirements and Procedures

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| Date | Thursday, May 20, 2010 |
| Location | Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania |
| Overview | <p>HEIs in the Baltic countries can apply for European quality labels in Engineering, the EUR-ACE[®] (European Accredited Engineering), and in Informatics, the EURO-INF label through an international accreditation.</p> <p>The workshop will detail the benefits of international accreditation for improving the quality of teaching and learning. It will also introduce the ASIIN requirements and procedures for the accreditation of degree programmes.</p> <p>The workshop language is English.</p> |
| Background | <p>External evaluation and accreditation of degree programmes is one means of quality assurance that is widely accepted internationally. While in most cases the focus on external quality assurance is a national one, several pan-European networks have been implemented in the past few years that are intending to support the Bologna process from a truly European point of view.</p> <p>These networks aim at improving the quality of degree programmes in their specific, subject-related field of activity and, at the same time, at fostering the mobility of graduates. The European Quality Assurance Network for Informatics Education (EQANIE) and the European Network for the Accreditation of Engineering Education (ENAE) are two potent examples of these networks. Both have created quality labels that ascertain the achievement of the above mentioned aims.</p> |
| Aims | The workshop will explore how pan-European accreditation networks, more specifically in Engineering and in Informatics, can help improving the quality of teaching and learning on national levels. An additional focus will lie on the involvement of stakeholders such as employers and students in the procedures as well as on the requirements, criteria and course of an ASIIN accreditation. |
| Target Group | Representatives and professors of higher education institutions offering degree programmes in engineering, informatics, the natural sciences and related disciplines. |
| Costs | Participants are kindly asked to cover their own expenses for travelling and accommodation. |

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09:00 – 09:30 **Registration**

Introductory Remarks

09:30 – 10:00 **Overview and Introduction of ASIIN**

Dr. Iring Wasser, ASIIN e. V.

How the Baltics can benefit from pan-European efforts to implement Bologna

10:00 – 11:00

Benefits from the engagement at European Level - Opportunities for implementation at national level

Frauke Muth, EQANIE

- Time for your questions and discussion –

11:00 – 11:45

AIKNC's engagement with EQANIE and ways to benefit at national level

Prof. Dr. Juris Dzelme, AIKNC Latvia

- Time for your questions and discussion –

12:00 – 13:30

Lunch break

How to involve stakeholder groups

13:30 – 14:15

EUR-ACE - European Quality Label in Engineering: a professional perspective on Quality Assurance

Dr. Iring Wasser, Vice-President, ENAEE (tbd)

- Time for your questions and discussion -

14:15 – 15:00

The students' perspective – involvement and role of students in accreditation

Karina Ufert, Lithuanian National Union of Students (LSS)

- Time for your questions and discussion -

15:00 – 15:30

Coffee break

How an ASIIN accreditation works

15:30 – 16:15

An Introduction to the Requirements and the Criteria for Degree Programmes in Engineering, Informatics and the Natural Sciences

Jana Möhren, ASIIN e. V.

- Time for your questions and discussion

16:15 – 17:00

Administrative and Financial Framework of an Accreditation Process

Jana Möhren, ASIIN e. V.

- Time for your questions and discussion –

17:00 – 17:15

Closing Remarks and End of the conference

We are looking forward to your feedback!