

## **EURASHE Quality Assurance Community of Practice**

The EURASHE hereby opens a call for expressions of interest among its membership to join and establish the Quality Assurance Community of Practice.

### **Introduction**

The EURASHE Quality Assurance Community of Practice (QACoP) is a group of grassroots practitioners with a common interest in quality assurance, willingness to share information and experiences so to learn from each other as well as the aim for seeking continuous improvement. It relies extensively on institutional expertise and experience, but with a European-wide applicability within the European Higher Education Area. The end result is that the experience of the QACoP builds in each member a collective knowledge base that, when applied, improves their individual performance and can have a dramatic impact on improving the issue they were drawn together to address.

### **Membership**

The membership of the QACoP is important to relay the grassroots and transform quality assurance. To ensure success and transferability, a diversity of views and situations is essential. Therefore the QACoP membership is **open to interested individuals with a hands-on experience on quality assurance of Professional Higher Education** who will identify themselves with the aims and purposes of the EURASHE QACoP and are willing to commit some time to contribute to its development.

In order to facilitate the interaction and exchange of experiences the QACoP will have a **limited membership**. Therefore, EURASHE Secretariat will select among the interested individuals those with relevant experience, time availability and willingness to share their experiences. It will ensure a geographical and gender balance, as well as of different experiences (type of institutions, level, approaches to quality assurance, etc). Priority will be given to individuals coming from EURASHE members. Moreover, member who will not participate in a significant amount of activities of the QACoP will be considered as resigned and their spot will be open for new members.

### **Activities**

The EURASHE QACoP will physically meet on a regular basis, approximately **twice a year**. Likewise, the members of the QACoP will have the opportunity to participate in **online sessions** and webinars focussed on a specific theme.

Furthermore, members will be expected to join the “EURASHE Quality Assurance Community of Practice” LinkedIn™ group (<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8621770>) and participate actively.

EURASHE will collect Good Practice Cases and make them available at the EURASHE website. Members of the QACoP are welcome to submit any good practice of their own or of which they are aware of. Some of these cases can be the basis for future debates or thematic sessions of the community.

On the other hand, during the first meeting, the members of the QACoP will have the further discuss the specificities of the working dynamics of the QACoP at the first meeting.

### **Practicalities and reimbursement rules**

Interested individuals are expected to dedicate some time to **share their experiences and research, communicate with other community members and participate in face to face meetings**. Please, be aware that EURASHE won't be able to cover any expenses unless specified otherwise in the event invitation, Nonetheless, EURASHE will make an effort to avoid any fees and explore possible external funding opportunities to cover some of the expenses in the future.

The members are expected to attend **the first QACoP meeting at the EURASHE office in Brussels (Belgium) on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October from 10 am to 4.30 pm** approximately. It is expected that this meeting will set up the core group of the QACoP in the future.

### **Application procedure and selection**

Interested individuals are welcome to apply by the following link **by 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 23:59 CEST**:

<https://goo.gl/forms/GXN4pTxxgYmbussd2>

You will be asked about your contact information, availability to attend the first meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> October, short motivation to join the QACoP and a short CV.

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Do not hesitate to reach out to the EURASHE Secretariat in case you have any question or would like to have any further information. You can write to [fernando.galan@eurashe.eu](mailto:fernando.galan@eurashe.eu).