

COMMUNICATION TO LICENSED FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

Title: External Quality Audit of Accredited HE Courses after First Complete Cycle of Provision		
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Dear colleagues

In line with Regulation 37 (b) of Legal Notice 296/2012, courses that are already accredited by the NCFHE or to be accredited in future and are equivalent to the three cycles of qualification in the Bologna Process are subject to an external quality audit after the first full cycle of provision, i.e. after the first group of students graduate. The courses in question are:

- full MQF Level 6 degrees
- all MQF Level 7 courses
- all MQF Level 8 provision.

In line with Regulation 34 (2) (h) of the same Legal Notice, the NCFHE shall charge fees to cover the costs of the services of the independent external evaluators involved in the audit. The procedures for such subject quality audits will be developed collaboratively within the context of Net-QAPE, and will follow from the Manual of Procedures for institutional EQAs that is one of the deliverables of ESF Project 1.227 'Making Quality Visible'.

Regards

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