

MFHEA COMMUNICATION

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Title: Recognition for Prior Learning – Fee and Evaluation Process Updates.

From: Head of Accreditation, Validation and Quality Assurance, MFHEA

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Dear Esteem Providers,

We hope this message finds you well. We are writing to inform you of some significant changes to the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) process that will impact our collaboration moving forward.

Effective from **1st July 2024**, an increase to the current fee structure will come into effect:

Further Education Institutions	€600
Higher Education Institutions	€1000
Further and Higher Education Institutions	€1000

Alongside this increase, we are also refining the evaluation process to ensure transparency and fairness. Here are the key points of the updated evaluation process:

- 1. Evaluation Cycles:** The RPL evaluation will consist of a maximum of three cycles.
- 2. Expert Evaluators:** Each evaluation cycle will comprise two expert evaluators. Their identities will be disclosed and approved by your institution within a period of three days prior to the evaluation cycle commencement.
- 3. Objection Process:** If your institution has any objections to the appointed panel of evaluators, you are required to communicate these objections promptly. In such cases, the Quality Assurance Committee (QAC) will be convened to review and decide on the appropriate course of action.

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We believe that these changes will contribute to a more robust and transparent RPL process, ultimately benefiting both your institution and the candidate's seeking recognition for their prior learning.

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or require further clarification regarding these updates. We value your partnership and look forward to continuing our collaboration under these improved guidelines.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best regards,
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