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Subject: Full membership of CTI in ENQA

Dear Teresa,

I am pleased to inform you that, at its meeting of 15 September 2014, the Board of ENQA agreed to reconfirm CTI Full membership of ENQA for five years from that date.

Though the ENQA Board concluded that CTI is in substantial compliance with the European Standards and Guidelines, the Board would like to receive a follow-up report on the recommendations in the panel report (as outlined in the annex attached) within two years of its decision, i.e. by September 2016.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the ENQA Secretariat.

Please accept my congratulations for the re-confirmation of Full Membership of CTI.

Yours sincerely,



Padraig Walsh
President of ENQA

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As outlined by the review panel, the agency is recommended to take appropriate action, so far as it is empowered to do so, in the following issues:

ESG 2.1 Use of Internal Quality Assurance Procedures: fully compliant

CTI is encouraged to improve its members and experts' awareness of internal quality assurance in order to reach a higher level of understanding of the importance of IQA through mechanisms to train them on that specific matter.

ESG 2.4 Processes fit for purpose: substantially compliant

CTI is recommended to increase the number of international experts in its evaluation committees, not only at national but also at international level.

It is also recommended to publish the composition of the committees for each review on the website indicating their profile and role in the accreditation process.

The procedure for the selection and nomination of experts could be improved by clarifying the process of selection of the expert members of the evaluation committees as well as the policy used for selection.

Student participation in the evaluation committees could be increased and the Agency might consider the possibility to involve them at the member level.

ESG 2.5 Reporting: fully compliant

Even if the published information is satisfactory for the different stakeholders, it could be of use to publish the full evaluation reports on the Agency's website.

ESG 2.6 Follow-up Procedures: substantially compliant

It would be useful to include a follow-up procedure for the newly created programmes and the programmes with no major problems detected.

ESG 3.2 Official Status: fully compliant

CTI is recommended to develop the agreement with AERES in order to find a way to better align their evaluation calendars and to reduce the workload it represents for the Institutions. It is also recommended to have a mechanism for assuring the continuity of the agreement between both Agencies taking into account the change from AERES to HCERES in the near future.

ESG 3.3 Activities: fully compliant

CTI is recommended to put in place a mechanism to protect the Agency from the possible risk due to the equilibrium between the main mission and the international requests which are becoming more and more numerous and could have an impact on the main activity.

ESG 3.4 Resources: fully compliant

CTI is recommended to take into account the risk of a higher workload for the staff with the view of increasing its activities (EURACE label, international accreditation, etc.) in the near future as well as with regards to the accreditation period which is due to be changed from 6 to 5 years.

ESG 3.5 Mission: fully compliant

CTI is recommended to develop the strategic aims of the Agency to strengthen its vision and goals.

CTI is also recommended to continue publishing the biannual activity reports noting that the 2010-2012 report is not yet published.

ESG 3.6 Independence: fully compliant

CTI is recommended to develop the strategic aims of the Agency so as to reinforce the way the Agency wants to follow its activities and make this public.

ESG 3.7 External Quality Assurance Criteria and Processes used by the Agencies: substantially compliant

As mentioned previously, under criterion 2.4, the procedure for the selection and nomination of experts could be improved by clarifying the process of selection of the expert members of the evaluation committees as well as the policy for selection. And, under criterion 2.6, it would be useful to include a follow-up procedure for the programmes with no major problems detected.