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Subject: Membership of SAAHE in ENQA

Dear Mr. Robert Redhammer,

I am pleased to inform you that, at its meeting of 28 February 2024, the ENQA Board took the decision to grant the SAAHE membership of ENQA for five years from that date. The Board concluded that SAAHE is in compliance with the *Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area* (*ESG 2015*), following the receipt of EQAR's Approval of the Application for Renewal of Inclusion on the Register (Ref. RC41/A136), thus fulfilling the membership criteria according to article 6, paragraph I of ENQA's Rules of Procedure.

The Board would like to receive a follow-up report within two years of the validation of the final external review report, i.e., by September 2025 where the ENQA Board expects SAAHE to demonstrate that it has addressed the panel's recommendations.

The Board also strongly encourages SAAHE to take advantage of the voluntary progress visit – an enhancement led feature in the review process. The visit would take place in about two to three years' time after the validation of the final external review report (and after submission of the follow-up report). The ENQA Secretariat will be in touch with you in about a year's time to discuss this possibility. The cost of this visit has already been included as part of the review fee and are non-refundable except for the travel costs of the experts. More information about the progress visit can be found in the Guidelines for ENQA Agency Reviews.

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

Please accept my congratulations for the confirmation of SAAHE's membership in ENQA. This represents the culmination of hard work by the agency's leadership and staff, and the whole Board is delighted at the positive outcome. We look forward to continuing our valuable cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Douglas Blackstock



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