

## Legislative alignment with the ESG: the path towards meeting the Bologna Process key commitment on quality assurance in the Western Balkans<sup>1</sup>

Ministerial and QA agency representatives' meeting in conjunction with the kick-off meeting of the SEQA-ESG<sup>2</sup> project

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<sup>1</sup> Six countries in Southern and Eastern Europe referred to as the Western Balkans in the EU enlargement policies: Republic of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo (This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence), Republic of North Macedonia, and Republic of Serbia. Note: Kosovo is not in the EHEA but are committed to aligning with the ESG.

<sup>2</sup> Link to the project website: <https://www.enqa.eu/projects/supporting-european-qa-agencies-in-meeting-the-esg-seqa-esg-ii/>

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