Analysis of **ENG3**. Agency Reviews 2022

What did we do in 2022?



Agency Review Committee (ARC) meetings

48 **Experts from 23** nationalities 52% women 48% men

Progress visits to agencies in

Review reports scrutinized

> **Complaint** received

Did you know?

In 2022, ENQA introduced the so-called targeted reviews for agencies that have been through at least two full reviews

This type of review focuses on the remaining challenges in reaching ESG compliance, while at the same time further strengthening the enhancement part of the review

The targeted reviews are designed to result in the same type of decision on renewal of membership in ENQA or registration in EQAR as a full review

Goals of targeted reviews



Evaluate remaining challenges

Be more resource mindful

Assess new or changed activities

Ensure a stronger enhancement aspect

Evaluate any substantial changes

What do they say about ENQA Agency Reviews?



M Agencies

Say that communication with 100% ENQA coordinator was useful in preparing for the review

The panel had good knowledge of the ESG and international QA

Say the review timeline was appropriate for the process

The review report is very useful for the agency and its stakeholders

"The process was very well organised, and the report provided important recommendations for the development and further improvement of the agency's activities." -- IQAA



Say that ENQA coordinated the review in an effective way

Consider that the online briefing provided by ENQA was useful

96%

The structure and duration of the review was convenient

The review report template was clear and helpful in writing the ERR

"ENQA is doing a great job in making the reviews meaningful and the consistency of reviews has improved signifficantly over the last years." -- Expert

What do they say about ENQA Progress Visits?



Agencies

Were satisfied with the experts' level of contribution to the discussion on the selected topics

"It was very helpful to have some open discussions with colleagues coming from outside the agency and country, in a "safe space" without any evaluation or judgement."

QQI representative



Experts

Had a good understanding of what was expected from them thanks to the ENQA guidelines and the preparatory meeting

"It was a truly good experience. I felt there was open discussion on plans, potentials, risks. That was a critical friend visit with the intention to support and not to assess. I really liked it."

Source: 4 agencies that have received a progress visit in 2022

and 6 experts that have participated in it

Expert

Did you know?

ENQA yearly organises training for new agency reviewers

This training provides future reviewers with the necessary knowledge and guidance on the ESG, the ENQA Agency review process, compliance assessment and expectations of the ENQA Agency Review Committee (ARC)

Training is mandatory for all potential reviewers regardless of the nominating organisation



What do they say about our training?

95% Satisfied with the organisation and quality of the training

100%

Considered that had achieved sufficient knowledge of the ESG

Source: 20 participants who took part in the training in 2022

Our way forward

The 2022 ENQA analysis of Agency Reviews has revealed seven key areas of action for the following year:

Monitoring of the possibility to implement hybrid site visits to avoid any negative impacts on the review process

2. Continuation of the rigorous, systematic, and transparent work of the ENQA Agency Review Committee (ARC)

Further thematic analyses to support the ARC in their work, particularly in relation to ESG 2.3 and ESG 2.6

Evaluation of the methodology of the targeted reviews focusing on the goals, methods, resources and value for agencies under review

Review of the ENQA template for the external review to ensure it includes all the necessary evidence for

evaluation of the agency's compliance against the ESG

Revision of ENQA's Book of Precedents to strengthen the consistency of ENQA Agency Reviews

Further reflection on the purpose of agency reviews in the EHEA and the use of the ESG for this