

# ENQA'S ROLE IN POLICY-MAKING

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# ENQA IN BRIEF



## Who we are

Membership association of QA agencies:  
55 members  
52 affiliates



## What we do

Represent interests of members  
Provide services to members and stakeholders  
Drive development of external QA



## How we do it

Policy input	Projects
Events	Publications
Working groups	Agency reviews



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# FORMAL POLICY CONTRIBUTIONS

- Consultative member in the **Bologna Follow-up Group**
  - Working group on learning and teaching
  - Working group on fundamental values
  - Thematic peer group on quality assurance
  - Coordination group on global policy dialogue
- Co-author of **ESG** and associated policies
- Cooperation within **E4 Group** (ENQA, EUA, EURASHE, ESU)
- Dialogue with the **European Commission** (input to consultations, evidence to working groups)

**ENQA is a recognised and respected partner in European higher education policy-making**

# EXPERTISE

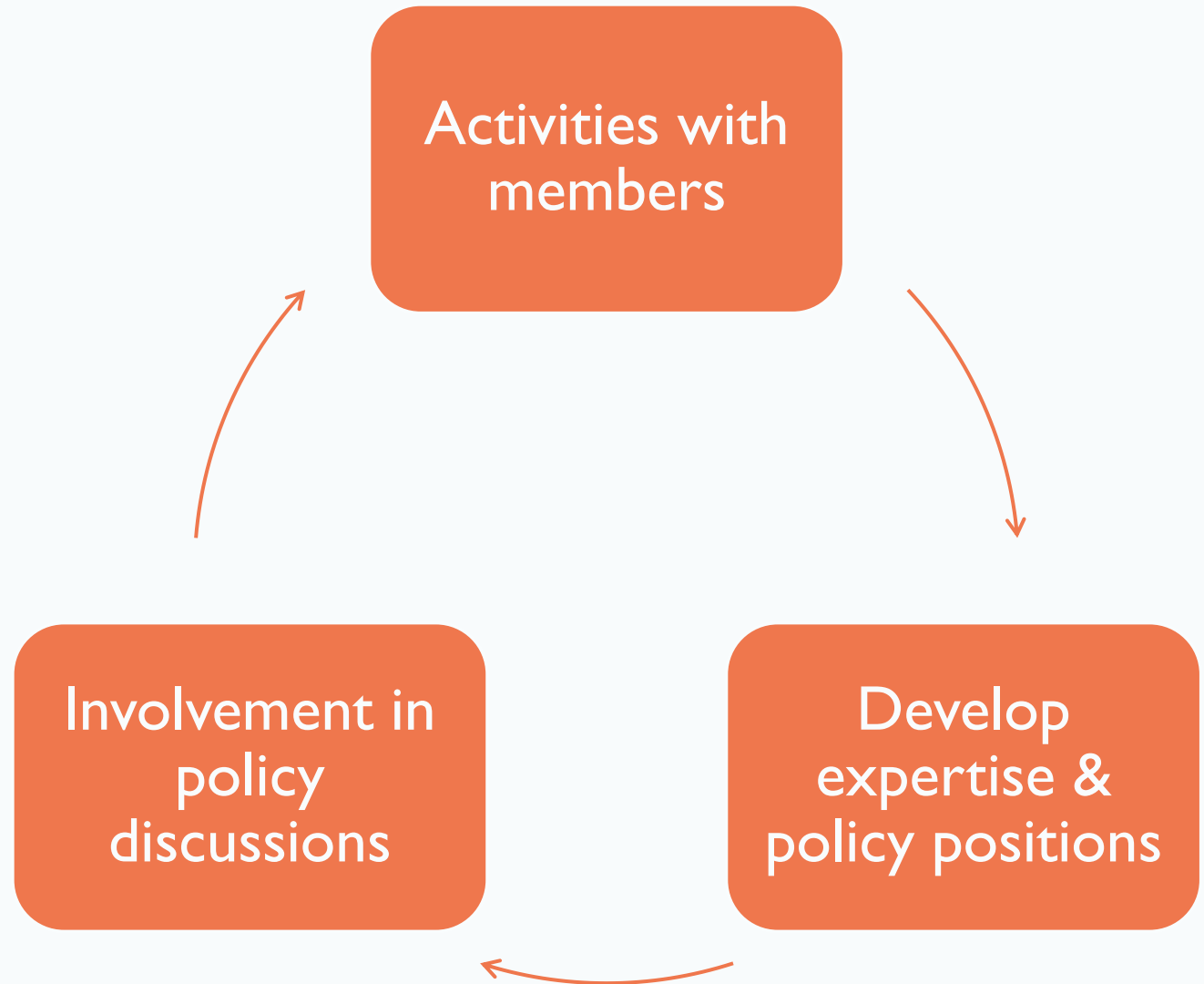
- **Provision of expertise and information** on specific topics, good practice and new developments in the field of QA to (and between) members and other stakeholders
- Current **working groups**: QA of micro-credentials; role of QA in academic integrity
- **European and international projects**: on future of European QA ([QA-FIT](#)); support for ESG alignment ([SEQA-ESG](#)); support for regional QA development in Africa ([HAQAA](#)) and Asia ([SHARE](#))

**ENQA positions itself as an expert body on external quality assurance in Europe**

# CURRENT POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

- **EHEA: Review and revision of the ESG**
  - Collecting evidence base to inform next steps
  - Reflection of fitness for purpose in changing higher education environment
  - Exploring links between QA and broader issues (sustainability, values, social dimension etc.)
  - Ensuring continued relevance without ‘moving the goalposts’
- **EU: European Union Recognition and Quality Assurance System**
  - Building on existing EHEA QA and recognition tools
  - Impetus for further development
  - Focus on support for European Universities Initiative

All our activities are interconnected and feed into each other.



The number and diversity of ENQA members and affiliates is a huge strength but also a challenge!

Strength

Wide range of experience and expertise

Strong reputation and legitimacy

Speaking with once voice

The recognised representative body in EHEA

Challenge

Diversity of interests and priorities

Need to differentiate services to members

Making policy discussions relevant for members



## FINAL REFLECTIONS

- We are privileged to have a well-established ‘seat at the table’
- We rely on the input and engagement of our members and affiliates for continued evidence and legitimacy
- We are working to improve the communication about policy-making activities and outcomes to our members and affiliates



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