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# National Action Plan on QA and the alignment of the policies and processes used in Ukrainian system to ESG

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# Approval of a set of regulations for the introduction of institutional accreditation



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## Activities:

- Development of amendments to the Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education”
- Development of bylaws
- Approval of the Regulation for institutional accreditation of higher education institutions

## Expected result:

Regulation for institutional accreditation of higher education institutions

## Changes to the Law of Ukraine "On Higher Education":

- The term of validity of the certificate of Institutional Accreditation is 5 years
- NAQA develops and submits for approval to the Ministry of Education and Science Regulations on Institutional Accreditation of higher education institutions, as well as the basic principles of institutional accreditation.
- NAQA has the right to cancel the decision on institutional accreditation if, as a result of post-accreditation monitoring, significant violations of quality assurance of educational activities are detected.

# Approval of a set of regulations to build a network of independent higher education quality assessment and quality assurance institutions

## Activities:

- Development of amendments to the Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education”
- Development of bylaws.
- Approval of the Regulations on accreditation of independent higher education quality assessment and quality assurance institutions

## Expected result:

Regulations on accreditation of independent higher education quality assessment and quality assurance institutions

## Changes to the Law of Ukraine "On Higher Education":

- NAQA develops and submits for approval to the Ministry of Education and Science Regulations on Independent Evaluation and Higher Education Quality Assurance Institutions.
- Accredits Independent Evaluation and Higher Education Quality Assurance Institutions, maintains their register;
- NAQA may involve Independent Evaluation and Higher Education Quality Assurance Institutions to conduct the accreditation of study programme.
- Defines rights and obligations of Independent Evaluation and Higher Education Quality Assurance Institutions

# Memorandum between the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine and NAQA

## **Activity:**

- Development and discussion of the text of Memorandum, signing, Memorandum implementation

## **Expected result:**

Establishing cooperation between NAQA and the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine

# Update of the Regulations on accreditation of study programmes in higher education and criteria for the quality of study programmes assessment



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## **Activity:**

- Development of proposals by NAQA, discussions with stakeholders, submission to the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine for approval

## **Expected result:**

Amendments to the Regulations on accreditation of study programmes in higher education

*\*Amendments to the Regulations are being approved by the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine*

# Optimisation of NAQA legal status in the legislation of Ukraine

## **Activity:**

- Development of a draft of changes by NAQA, discussion with stakeholders, initiation of changes in the Parliament, amendments to the Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education”

## **Expected result:**

Amendments to the Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education” and other laws confirming the status of NAQA as an independent collegial body

# Revision of the NAQA Statute

## Activity:

- Development of proposals by NAQA, discussions with stakeholders, submission to the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine for referral to the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine for approval

## Expected result:

Bringing the provisions of NAQA Statute in line with the Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education”, optimising the structure of NAQA Secretariat

*\*New NAQA Charter agreed with all stakeholders. The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine approved the new statute of NAQA*

# Improving the mechanisms of training of NAQA Experts, formation and filling Register of NAQA Experts



## **Activity:**

- Development of changes by NAQA, discussions with stakeholders, amendments to the Regulation for selection and maintenance of the NAQA' Register of Experts for study programmes accreditation

## **Expected result:**

Optimisation of the mechanism of NAQA Experts' training, the mechanism of response to violations by NAQA Experts, optimisation of the mechanisms of administration of the Register of NAQA Experts

- A Sector for the Development of Educational Materials and Conducting Educational Trainings for Experts has been created. (Staff: 3 PhD from the list of NAQA experts who finished QAA trainings for trainers).
- The updated content of trainings for experts, including report writing training and improvement training.
- As of February 9, 2024, exactly 300 trainings for experts were conducted
- In 2023, 70 trainings were held
- Commission on ensuring the quality of experts' work



# Involvement of international experts in accreditation procedures

## Activity:

- Development of proposals by NAQA, discussions with stakeholders, appeal to the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, in order to initiate relevant bylaws by the Government and amendments to the Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education”

## Expected result:

Possibility to involve international experts in the Sectoral Expert Councils, expert groups during accreditation procedure

- In 2023, number of international experts was 41, in January 2024 the number of experts increased to 116 experts
- The number of international experts from Sectoral Expert Councils in 2023 was 19 people

# Increasing the level of stakeholders' involvement in NAQA activities

## Activities:

- Optimisation of NAQA cooperation with student self-government bodies, discussion with stakeholders, introduction of developed mechanisms
- Development of a platform and methodology for a national survey of higher education applicants
- Conducting a survey and compiling an analytical report based on the results.
- Optimisation of NAQA cooperation with employers' associations

## Expected results:

More effective involvement of students in NAQA activities.  
Finding out the actual role of students in higher education quality.  
More effective involvement of employers in NAQA activities.

# Development and regulation by law of the procedure and grounds for post-accreditation monitoring

## **Activity:**

- Development and discussion of the text of relevant amendments to the legislation of Ukraine

## **Expected result:**

Approval by the Verkhovna Rada of relevant amendments to the Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education”

*\*NAQA finished the piloting of post-accreditation monitoring in 7 Ukrainian HEIs*

# Reform of the Appeal Committee, procedures for appealing against NAQA decisions

## **Activity:**

- Development and discussion of the text of relevant amendments to the legislation of Ukraine

## **Expected result:**

Approval by the Verkhovna Rada of relevant amendments to the Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education”

*\*The Regulation on the Appeals Chamber has been developed*

# Methodological and financial support of NAQA on the way to membership in ENQA/EQAR

## **Activity:**

- Holding meetings and consultations to identify basic needs and developing measures to provide methodological and financial support

## **Expected result:**

NAQA membership in ENQA/EQAR



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