



Kosovo Accreditation Agency (KAA)

Site Visit Program

Host: Kosovo Accreditation Agency

Venue: Emerald Hotel

Date: 26th of September 2023

Conference on Higher Education

Topic: The impact of QA Mechanisms on establishing a quality culture

Supported by: HERAS Plus project

25th of September

19:00 – 21:00 Welcoming dinner hosted by KAA (for panellists and distinguished guests)
Sirius Hotel, Pristina

26th of September

08:00 – 09:00 Registration of participants

Opening the event

(Moderator Mr. Arianit Krasniqi, KAA)

09:00 – 09:10 Mrs. Hasnije Ilazi, President of the Board of KAA

09:10 – 09:20 Mr. Albin Kurti, Prime Minister of the Republic of Kosovo

09:20 – 09:30 Mrs. Arbërie Nagavci, Minister of MESTI

09:30 – 09:40 Mr. Georg Schnetzer, His Excellency Austrian Ambassador to Kosovo

09:40 – 09:50 Mr. Enis Kervan, Deputy Chairperson of the Education Commission in the
Assembly of Kosovo

Presentation on the host institution

Mr. Naim Gashi, General Director of KAA

KAA's compliance with the ESG, development, challenges, opportunities

Mr. Milan Pol, Faculty of Education, Masaryk University Czech Republic,

(former Dean), international expert of KAA
Kosovo Accreditation Agency through the years, an external perspective

10:10 – 10:30 Coffee break

10.30 – 12.10 *First panel:*
International perspective: The relevance of international QA structures and initiatives for quality of higher education
(Moderator Mr. Aqim Emurli, HERAS Plus Project, Austria)

Ms. Kristina Ghitulica, ENQA, Vice President
ENQA's contribution to the development of the quality assurance system across Europe and beyond

Mr. Stephane Lauwick, EQAR, President
The future development of EQAR and the potential new roles and challenges

Mr. Iring Wasser, CEO of ASIIN (Germany)
Topic: QA beyond borders, cross-continental evaluation and the need for a unified global system

Discussion

12:10 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 15:00 *Second panel:*
Regional perspective: QA systems in Western Balkans and the European Higher Education Area
(Moderator Mr. Klemen Miklavič, Deputy President of the Board of KAA)

Mr. Franci Demšar, SQAA (Slovenia), Director
The importance of compliance with the ESG and how does it affect the quality assurance system

Ms. Sandra Bezjak, AZVAO (Croatia)
Building a quality culture, a south-east European perspective

Ms. Kumrije Gagica, Director of NARIC Kosovo
The Role of NARIC Centers in Regional Cooperation towards Enhancing the Quality of Higher Education.

Discussion

- 15:00 - 15:15 Coffee break
- 15:15 – 16:40 **Third panel:**
Stakeholders' perspective: The contribution, role and involvement of stakeholders in quality assurance of higher education
(Moderator Mrs. Arta Basha Jakupi, University of Prishtina, Vice Rector)
- Mr. Qerim Qerimi, University of Prishtina, Rector
The impact of QA Agencies on improving the internal quality assurance of HEI's
- Ms. Diellza Ibrahim, Student Union of AAB College
The perspective and role of students in quality assurance mechanisms
- Mr. Mergim Cahani, Gjirafa, CEO
What and how can the employers contribute to the quality assurance of higher education
- Colin Tück, Director of EQAR until 2023
An overview of stakeholders' involvement in the QA across Europe
- Discussion
- 16:40 – 17:00 **Closing remarks**
Mr. Klemen Miklavic, Deputy President of the Board of KAA
The highlights of the panel discussions and the future challenges for KAA and quality assurance of higher education
- 19:00 Reception (WUS Austria), Hotel Sirius

27th of September

09:00 – 18:00 Visiting tour to the city of Prizren and Peja

Contacts:

Milot Hasangjekaj, mob: +383 44 184 902 milot.hasangjekaj@rks-gov.net

Arianit Krasniqi, email: arianit.m.krasniqi@rks-gov.net