



## Kosovo Accreditation Agency (KAA)

Site Visit Program

Host: Kosovo Accreditation Agency

Venue: Emerald Hotel

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> of September 2023

Conference on Higher Education

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

Supported by: HERAS Plus project

### 25<sup>th</sup> of September

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

### 26<sup>th</sup> 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)

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

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

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 Demsar, 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

27<sup>th</sup> of September

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

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