State Council of Quality (SCQ)
Agenda SCQ Meeting 124
Date: 25.06.2024
Regular Meeting
Time: 10:00

Meeting minutes

Present in the meeting:

Hasnije Ilazi – President
Klemen Miklavic – Vice president
Maja Martinovic – Member
Gezim Tosuni – Member
Jaakko Kauko - Member
Mirlinda Batalli – Member
Avni Berisha – Member
Jetmir Haxhibeqiri – Member
Arianit Krasniqi – KAA staff

1. Approval of agenda

   Agenda was approved with all votes in favour.

2. Approval of minutes of SCQ meeting 123

   Minutes of SCQ meeting 123 were approved with all votes in favour.

3. Revision of expert reports on re/accreditation

   52 expert reports for program re/accreditation were reviewed by the SCQ. 40 reports were approved based on the experts' recommendations and 12 reports were postponed for the next SCQ meeting. For the postponed reports SCQ decided to request additional information from the expert panels who evaluated the programs, because it was considered that some parts of the report needed to be clarified further. (*Annex 1 is the table representing the decisions of SCQ for each evaluation report*).

4. Requests

   4.1. Heimerer College

   Request was for validation of international accreditation for the study program Nursing BSc.
   EVALAG has awarded program accreditation valid until 24.04.2030. Based on the documentation submitted by the institution including the evaluation report produced by EVALAG and the accreditation certificate, SCQ decided to approve the request for validation. Due to the fact that Evalag awards 6 year accreditations, which is not in line with the local legislation, SCQ decided to reduce the accreditation period to 5 years. This decision was made with five votes in favour and one abstention.

   4.2. RIT Kosova

RIT submitted the explanation requested by the SCQ regarding the request to validate the change of name of the program. After reviewing the request and all documentation presented in the meeting, SCQ decided in favour of validation of the new name for the program. This decision was made with all votes in favour.

4.3. IBCM College

The request was to include three programs of the institution in the decision for validation of extension of accreditation. After analysing the request which was sent to Evalag by the institution as well as the response provided by Evalag, SCQ decided to validate the extension of accreditation of three programmes. The decision was made with all votes in favour.

4.4. AAB College

The request was to readdress the application for the program Computer Games Programming Professional BA. Program was rejected because one of the program holders was consider not to have sufficient experience as requested by the AI. The institution has submitted evidence of the experience. SCQ decided to postpone the decision-making for this request and ask institution to provide the Trust document for the program holder.

4.5. UP FSHMN

The request was to increase the student quota in a study program. SCQ decided to reject the request and stay behind the initial decision with all votes in favour. SCQ reiterated that the student quota can only be changed with a new evaluation by accreditation experts.

4.6. Universum College

The request was to readdress the application for the program Graphic Design Professional BA. Program was rejected because two of the program holders were consider not to have sufficient experience as requested by the AI. The institution has submitted evidence of the experience. SCQ decided to postpone the decision-making for one of the program holders and ask institution to provide the Trust document, whereas the second program holder was rejected as it was declared by the institution that she cannot provide the Trust document to support her experience.

4.7. UP Economics

The request was to increase the student quota in a study program. SCQ decided to reject the request and stay behind the initial decision with all votes in favour. SCQ reiterated that the student quota can only be changed with a new evaluation by accreditation experts.

4.8. UBT College

The request is to reconsider the application for study program Civil Engineering and Infrastructure MSc. Application was rejected because the institution did not have enough program holder to cover 4 specialisations. The request is to remove 2 specialisations and continue with the program with only two specialisations as

shown in the request. SCQ rejected this request with all votes in favour on the grounds that this constitutes change of application.

4.9. UP FIEK

Request was to correct a technical mistake in the decision. The name of the faculty was not written correctly. SCQ approved the request with all votes in favour.

4.10.   UP Agriculture

The request was to organize a superexpertise for evaluation of study programs. Request was rejected with 6 votes in favour and 1 abstention. Request was rejected on the grounds the procedures for super expertise do not exist.

5. Regulation on monitoring and post-accreditation procedure

SCQ agreed that this document will be discussed in a workshop which is to be organised in the near future.

6. Revision of applications of new evaluation experts

Revision of the list of new experts was postponed for the next meeting.

7. Appeals

7.1. Biznesi College

7.2. Universum College

7.3. UBT College

SCQ agreed that the three appeals must be sent to Appeals Committee.

8. Information on the KAA Conference

This item was postponed for the next meeting.

9. Other

Minute keeper
Arianit Krasniqi

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President State Council of Quality