

# Re-application for ENQA Affiliation by the Agència de Qualitat de l'Ensenyament Superior d'Andorra (AQUA)

Submitted for consideration during the Board Meeting on 13 December 2018

#### Agència de Qualitat de l'Ensenyament Superior d'Andorra (AQUA)

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#### **Considerations by the Secretariat**

**Background:** ANQA is ENQA Affiliate since 2012. They had a change of address and in conjunction with that, the Secretariat asked ANQA to re-apply in order to have all their information updated.

(All old affiliates will be asked to re-apply with the new procedure in the next years.)

Suggested action for the Board: To renew affiliation.

### **AQUA's Official Application**

### I. Motives for Seeking ENQA Affiliation

# 1.1: Please state the reasons why your organisation wishes to establish a formal relationship with ENQA.

According to article 3 of the Law 9/2016 of June 28 of creation of the Agència de Qualitat de l'Ensenyament Superior d'Andorra (AQUA).

AQUA looks after the quality of higher education in Andorra with the permanent demand for quality and rigor derived from social and labor demands. The evaluation system is the tool to adapt higher education to the framework of the European Higher Education Area, and it should tend to the continuous improvement of its processes in higher education.

# 1.2: Please state the main reasons your organisation seeks affiliation with ENQA rather than membership.

Our organization seeks affiliation with ENQA rather than membership because we are a little Agency, where it works only two persons. Thus, we have neither time nor resources to invest for being full member.

#### II. Main Activities

# 2.1: Please provide a brief introduction of your organisation (such as an outline of the constitution and mission statement).

L'Agència de Qualitat de l'Ensenyament Superior d'Andorra monitors the quality of higher education in Andorra with the permanent demand for quality and rigor derived from social and labor demands. The evaluation system is the tool to adapt higher education to the framework of the European Higher Education Area, and it should tend to the continuous improvement of its processes in higher education.

The aims of the Agència de Qualitat de l'Ensenyament Superior d'Andorra are to evaluate, accredit and certify the quality higher education in Andorra in accordance with the principles of the European Higher Education Area, and the criteria it establishes in the European Guides the standards of guarantee of quality (European Standards of Quality Assurance

#### 2.2: Please provide a list of your organisation's main activities for the past three years.

Accreditation of six programs
Accreditation of 25 teachers
Accreditation of 14-scholarship selection commission

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2.3: If your organisation is involved in accreditation, please provide a list of the institutions your organisation has accredited in the past three years.

Universitat d'Andorra (UdA) Universitat Oberta de La Salle (UOLS) Scholarships from the Ministry of Higher Education

2.4: What is your organisation's geographical scope (i.e. the areas in which it performs its activities)?

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2.5: What are your organisation's main sources of funding?

**Public budgets** 

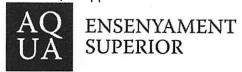
2.6: Who or which entity owns your organisation?

It is an autonomous public law entity

### **Causes for Concern from the Membership**

None were raised

**AQUA's Affiliate Status Letter is Annexed** 



Andorra la Vella, 7 November 2018

#### **Board of ENQA**

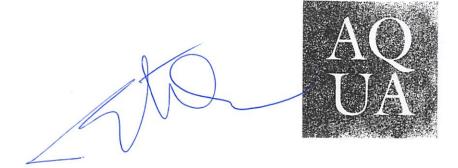
#### **European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education**

Dear Board members,

The director of AQUA – Agència de Qualitat de l'Ensenyament Superior d'Andorra - has reviewed the statutes of ENQA and agrees to abide by them.

Please, do not hesitate to contact me for further information.

Yours faithfully,



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Director of Agència de Qualitat de l'Ensenyament Superior d'Andorra