

Joint international institutional accreditation of

Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education “Moscow State P. I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory”

Site visit dates: December 4-6, 2018

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Thus, based on the analysis of submitted documents, data and interviews during Site Visit, the External Review Panel worked out a list of recommendations, which are sure to enhance the quality of the Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education "Moscow State P. I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory".

1. The Review Panel recommends to develop and adopt a long-term plan of enhancing opportunities for internationalization/academic mobility of the Conservatory students and teachers, particularly in part of developing possibilities for two-sided exchange (for example, in the framework of the Erasmus Plus programme). Such plan should support long-term (3-10 months) students' travels abroad.

2. The Review Panel believes it is necessary to recommend the institution to more actively form the objective and adequate students' idea on the system of the global music performance market as well as the global art space in general and on the self-promoting methods in this environment. For this purpose it is recommended to enhance a course in Management for performing art majors.

3. The electronic document management system and informational and educational environment require further improvement and implementation not only in terms of maintaining the content, but rather increasing the involvement of all the participants of the educational process (up to 100%) to this work.

4. The Review Panel recommends to use experience of employers, especially international ones, in the development of curricula and working programmes of disciplines and practical training more effectively. It will allow faster responding to the changes of demands both of the Russian and international markets and better preparing of graduates for life in the conditions of the global concert and performance practices.

5. The Review Panel believes it is necessary to recommend the Conservatory administration to establish a specialized structural unit which should monitor the current internal and international labour market, compile and support a vacancy data base, assist in the Conservatory graduates' employment (similar to the European career advisor). The establishment of such a unit is possible due to optimization of the support staff units.

6. The Review Panel thinks it is especially important to mention the significant improvement of the facilities and resources of the Conservatory and wishes to complete the reconstruction as soon as possible. Until the new

premises are ready, the Review Panel recommends to find temporary premises to increase the number of students' practicing rooms.

7. The External Review Panel considers it important to develop a document regulating the surveying procedure for students, postgraduates, assistant teachers and teachers of the Conservatory in order to conduct them on a regular basis. The results of the survey should be analyzed and made public.

8. The External Review Panel recommends the Conservatory to restructure the existing system of support personnel, if possible, in order to optimize expenses and establish the subdivision responsible for compiling a database and long-term support of the Conservatory's graduates.

9. The External Review Panel appreciates significant contribution of research schools of the Conservatory to music science. At the same time, the teaching staff should be encouraged to publish the results of their research work in English in peer-reviewed journals and references in the WoS and SCOPUS databases.

CONCLUSION OF THE EXTERNAL REVIEW PANEL

Based on the analysis of submitted documents, data and interviews, the External Review Panel made a conclusion that the Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education "Moscow State P.I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory" complies with the requirements of the joined standards in music education.

The External Review Panel recommends the National Accreditation Board and the MusiQuE Board to accredit the Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education "Moscow State P.I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory", delivering study programmes "Art of concert performance" (53.05.01), "Artistic direction of opera-symphony orchestra and academic choir" (53.05.02), "Art of music and theater" (53.05.04), "Musicology" (53.05.05), "Composition" (53.05.06), "Art of musical instrument performance (by types)" (53.09.01), "Art of vocal performance (by types)" (53.09.02), "Art of composition" (53.09.03), "Mastership of musical sound engineering" (53.09.04), "Art of conducting (by types)" (53.09.05) and "Musicology and applied musical art" (53.03.06), "Study of art" (50.06.01) for the period of six years.