

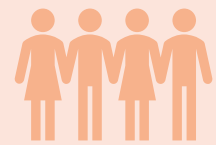
# **CROSS-BORDER QUALITY ASSURANCE REFLECTIONS FROM ENQA**

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# ENQA IN BRIEF



## Who we are

Membership association of QA agencies:  
60 members in 32 countries  
42 affiliates in 27 countries



## What we do

Represent interests  
Provide services to members and stakeholders  
Drive development of external QA



## How we do it

Policy input	Projects
Events	Publications
Working groups	Agency reviews

# DIVERSITY IN EXTERNAL QA LANDSCAPE



## **BARRIERS TO CBQA**

- Not permitted under national legislation
- Permitted in theory but significant practical burdens for agencies and institutions
- Permitted only for certain types of HEIs or programmes
- Permitted but lack of transparent information on how outcomes are recognised

Important: voluntary additional EQA or EQA that replaces/contributes to national requirements

## A COMPLEX STORY...

### We have to...

- Facilitate accreditation of joint programmes, TNE etc
- Avoid duplication of external QA activities
- Allow HEIs to benefit from fit-for-purpose external QA
- Ease work of international QA agencies

### And also...

- Recognise legitimate national level requirements
- Improve transparency
- Ensure consistent and professional work of agencies
- Reflect on consequences of marketisation

## WORK TO BE DONE

- Engagement with all stakeholders regarding barriers and risks
- Action by national authorities to meet Bologna Process commitments and ensure transparency
- Promotion of ethical practice and guidelines (including the Key Considerations for Cross-border QA by E4+EQAR)
- Highlighting positive case examples

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