EHEA NATIONAL AGENCIES COMPASS



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The **EHEA National Agencies compass** is a practical reference guide to the national bodies responsible for managing the Erasmus+ programme and overseeing higher education quality assurance and accreditation across countries in the European Higher Education Area (EHEA). Designed for international higher education professionals, it helps quickly identify relevant national contacts and better understand key structures within national higher education systems.

Whether you work in internationalisation, partnerships, mobility, quality assurance or policy, this guide provides an accessible starting point for navigating the higher education landscape across the EHEA.

Please note that this resource is intended as a reference guide and may not include every organisation relevant to higher education in each country.

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National agencies overview

National Erasmus+ agencies/offices

Organisations designated by national authorities and the European Commission to manage and implement the Erasmus+ programme at national level. They support higher education institutions and other beneficiaries by administering funding, providing guidance, promoting participation, and monitoring Erasmus+ projects and mobility activities.

National QA/Accreditation agencies

Bodies responsible for evaluating, accrediting, and assuring the quality of higher education institutions and programmes. They support transparency, accountability, and continuous improvement in higher education systems and are often members of the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA) and/or registered in the European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR).

Western Europe

Country	National Erasmus+ Agency/Office	National QA/Accreditation Agency
Austria	OeAD (Austria's Agency for education and internationalisation)	AQ Austria (Agency for Quality Assurance and Accreditation Austria)
Belgium (Flemish Community)	EPOS (Higher Education, Vocational Education and Training, School Education, Adult Education agency)	VLUHR (Quality assurance agency of the Flemish Higher Education Council)
Belgium (French Community)	AEF Europe (Higher Education, Vocational Education and Training, School Education, Adult Education agency)	AEQES (Quality assurance agency of Wallonia Higher Education institutions)
France	Erasmus+ France – Education & Formation	HCERES (High Council for the Evaluation of Research and Higher Education)
Germany	DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)	German Accreditation Council
Liechtenstein	AIBA (Agency for International Educational Affairs)	No specific agency; accreditation carried out through EQAR-registered foreign agencies
Luxembourg	Anefore (National Agency for the European Lifelong Learning Programme)	MESR (Ministry of Research and Higher Education), partners with international bodies like NVAO (Accreditation Organisation of the Netherlands and Flanders) and foreign evaluation committees
Netherlands	Dutch National Agency Erasmus+ Education & Training, Nuffic (Netherlands Universities Foundation for International Cooperation)	NVAO (Accreditation Organisation of the Netherlands and Flanders)
Switzerland	Movetia (Swiss National Agency for Exchange and Mobility)	AAQ (Swiss Agency of Accreditation and Quality Assurance)

Northern Europe

Country	National Erasmus+ Agency/Office	National QA/Accreditation Agency
Denmark	UFS (Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science)	DAI (Danish Accreditation Institution)
Estonia	HARNO (Education and Youth Board)	HAKA (Estonian Quality Agency for Education)
Finland	EDUFI (Finnish National Agency for Education)	FINEEC (Finnish Education Evaluation Centre)
Iceland	RANNIS (Icelandic Centre for Research)	IAQA (Icelandic Agency for Quality Assurance)
Ireland	Léargas (Irish National Agency for Erasmus+)	QQI (Quality and Qualifications Ireland)
Latvia	VIAA (State Education Development Agency)	AIKA (Quality Agency for Higher Education)
Lithuania	ŠMPF (Education Exchanges Support Foundation)	SKVC (Centre for Quality Assessment in Higher Education)
Norway	HK-dir (Norwegian Directorate for Higher Education and Skills)	NOKUT (Norwegian Agency for Quality Assurance in Education)
Sweden	UHR (Swedish Council for Higher Education)	UKÄ (Swedish Higher Education Authority)
United Kingdom	British Council	QAA (Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education)

Southern Europe

Country	National Erasmus+ Agency/Office	National QA/Accreditation Agency
Albania	NEO Albania (National Erasmus+ Office in Albania)	ASCAL (Quality Assurance Agency in Higher Education)
Andorra	No dedicated Erasmus+ National Agency; goes through Erasmus+ participation structures	AQUA (Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education in Andorra)
Bosnia & Herzegovina	NEO Bosnia and Herzegovina (National Erasmus+ Office in Bosnia and Herzegovina)	HEA (Agency for Development of Higher Education and Quality Assurance of Bosnia and Herzegovina)
Croatia	AMPEU (The Agency for Mobility and EU Programmes)	AZVO (The Agency for Science and Higher Education)
Greece	IKY (Erasmus+ National Agency in Greece)	ETHAAE (Hellenic Authority for Higher Education)
Holy See	Ministry: Dicastery for Culture and Education (no dedicated Erasmus+ National Agency/Office)	AVEPRO (Holy See's Agency for the Evaluation and Promotion of Quality in Ecclesiastical Universities and Faculties)
Italy	Inapp (Erasmus+ National Agency in Italy)	ANVUR (National agency for the evaluation of universities and research)
Malta	EUPA (European Union Programmes Agency)	MFHEA (Malta Further and Higher Education Authority)
Montenegro	NEO Montenegro (National Erasmus+ Office in Montenegro)	AKOKVO (Agency for Control and Quality Assurance of Higher Education)
North Macedonia	NAEEPM (National Agency for European Educational Programmes and Mobility)	AQHE (Agency for Quality in Higher Education of the Republic of North Macedonia)
Portugal	Erasmus+ National Agency for Education and Training, IES (Institute for Higher Education, I.P.)	A3ES (Agency for Assessment and Accreditation of Higher Education)

Southern Europe cont.

Country	National Erasmus+ Agency/Office	National QA/Accreditation Agency
San Marino	No dedicated Erasmus+ National Agency; goes through Erasmus+ participation structures	PQA (University Quality Assurance Office)
Serbia	Tempus Foundation	NEAQA (National Entity for Accreditation and Quality Assurance in Higher Education)
Slovenia	CMEPIUS (National Agency for European Community Programmes and International Mobility Programmes)	NAKVIS/SQAA (Slovenian Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education)
Spain	SEPIE (Spanish Service for the Internationalization of Education)	ANECA (National Agency for Quality Assessment and Accreditation)

Eastern Europe

Country	National Erasmus+ Agency/Office	National QA/Accreditation Agency
Belarus (suspended)[1]		
Bulgaria	CHRD (Center for Human Resources Development)	NEAA (The National Evaluation and Accreditation Agency)
Czechia	DZS (Czech National Agency for International Education and Research)	NAB (National Accreditation Bureau for Higher Education)
Hungary	TEMPUS Public Foundation	MAB (Hungarian Accreditation Committee)
Poland	FRSE (Foundation for the Development of the Education System)	PKA (Polish Accreditation Committee)

Eastern Europe cont.

Country	National Erasmus+ Agency/Office	National QA/Accreditation Agency
Republic of Moldova	NEO Moldova (National Erasmus+ Office in Moldova)	ANACEC (National Agency for Quality Assurance in Education and Research)
Romania	ANPCDEFP (National Agency for Community Programmes in the Field of Education and Vocational Training)	ARACIS (Romanian Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education)
Russian Federation (suspended)[2]		
Slovakia	SAAIC (Slovak Academic Association for International Cooperation)	SAAVŠ (Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education)
Ukraine	NEO Ukraine (National Erasmus+ Office in Ukraine)	NAQA (National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance)

Western Asia

Country	National Erasmus+ Agency/Office	National QA/Accreditation Agency
Armenia	NEO Armenia (National Erasmus+ Office in Armenia)	ANQA (National Center for Professional Education Quality Assurance)
Azerbaijan	NEO AZ (National Erasmus+ Office in Azerbaijan)	TKTA (The Quality Assurance Agency in Education)
Cyprus	IDEP (Foundation for the Management of European Lifelong Learning Programmes)	CYQAA (The Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education)
Georgia	NEO Georgia (National Erasmus+ Office in Georgia)	NCEQE (National Center for Educational Quality Enhancement)

Western Asia cont.

Country	National Erasmus+ Agency/Office	National QA/Accreditation Agency
Kazakhstan	NEO KZ (National Erasmus+ Office in Kazakhstan)	IQAA (Independent Agency for Quality Assurance in Education)
Türkiye	CEUEYP (The Centre for European Union Education and Youth Programmes)	THEQC (Turkish Higher Education Quality Council)

[1] **Suspension status:** As of November 2026, Belarus remains formally listed within the European Higher Education Area, but its rights of representation and participation in EHEA governance are suspended. European Commission cooperation with Belarusian public bodies and related organisations under Erasmus+ is also suspended. Inclusion in this overview is for geographic and sector-reference purposes and does not indicate eligibility, active cooperation or endorsement.

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National Accreditation agencies:
https://www.enic-naric.net/

About this resource

This resource has been prepared by the **European Association for International Education (EAIE)** as a practical reference guide for professionals working in international higher education.

The information included in this guide was compiled from publicly available sources and verified to the best of our knowledge at the time of publication. As organisational structures and responsibilities may change over time, this guide should be used as a reference tool rather than an exhaustive directory. Additional organisations relevant to higher education may exist in some countries. Information in this guide was last updated in November 2026.

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