



Updated SAAHE action plan in the form of priorities for 2022 with a view to 2023

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The action plan of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Agency" or "SAAHE") in the form of priorities for 2022 with a view to 2023 (hereinafter referred to as the "action plan") indicates the main areas of the agency's tasks beyond the scope of standard and established procedures in pursuant to Act no. 269/2018 Coll. on ensuring the quality of higher education and amending Act no. 343/2015 Coll. on public procurement and on the amendment of certain laws as amended (hereinafter referred to as "the law"), in particular the preparation for assessing the compliance of the internal quality assurance systems of higher education institutions and the preparation for assessing the compliance of the agency's activities with the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area of education (ESG).

The action plan follows up on the tasks determined by law, as well as the tasks set out in the National Action Plan in the field of external quality assurance of HEIs in the Slovak Republic prepared in cooperation with the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and the Development Strategy of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education for the years 2022-2027. The action plan was approved by the agency's executive board on February 3, 2022. The update of the action plan is carried out on the basis of the document "Evaluation of feedback and experience with the agency's accreditation activities and proposal of measures for their improvement" discussed at the meeting of the executive board on August 25, 2022.

The priority tasks for the 4th quarter of 2022 are:

Quarter/year	Area	Designation of activity/activity	Responsible department
4th quarter 2022	1. List of reviewers	1.1 Expansion of the list of reviewers by foreign experts with an emphasis on persons oriented in ESG and external quality assurance of higher education	Department of Accreditation Activities
		1.2 Expansion of the list of assessors by new assessors from the ranks of students, representatives of practice and experts from fields in which there are not enough assessors	Department of Accreditation Activities
	2. Training of reviewers	2.1 Implementation of the 1st part of the online training of reviewers for assessing the internal system	Department of Accreditation Activities
	3. Information system	3.1 Improving access to review documents in SAAHE IS and the working environment for the work of the review panel	Department of Accreditation Activities
	4. Thematic reports	4.1 Elaboration of the thematic analysis "Fundamental conclusions from the first accreditations of study programs"	SAAHE
	5. ENQA, EQAR entry	5.1 Sending a self-assessment report to ENQA	SAAHE
	6. Assessment of internal systems	6.1 Preliminary composition of review panels	Department of Accreditation Activities

		6.2 Obtaining preliminary approvals for involvement in the review panel's activities from reviewers	Department of Accreditation Activities
	7. International events	7.1 Preparation of the „V4QA Forum“ 7.2 Implementation of the "V4QA Forum"	Department of Economics and Operations
	8. Other proceedings	8.1 Coordination of other types of proceedings	Department of Accreditation Activities
	9. Modifications of directives	9. 1 Modification of the directive on the remuneration of members of review panels	Department of Economics and Operations

Year 2023:

Assessment of the compliance of internal quality assurance systems of HEIs with standards (§ 24 et seq. of the Act) and activities connected with their preparation and implementation.

The update of the action plan for 2022 was approved by the executive board at its meeting on September 22, 2022.