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On 19 February 2026, the Executive Board of the Slovak Accreditation Agency for Higher Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Executive Board") approved this internal regulation on SAAHE procedures (hereinafter referred to as the "Agency") of monitoring compliance with standards (hereinafter referred to as „monitoring“), pursuant to § 4 par. 2 letter d) of Act No. 269/2018 Coll. on quality assurance in higher education and amending Act No. 343/2015 Coll. on public procurement and amending certain acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Quality Assurance Act").

#### **Article 1**

##### **Introductory provisions**

1. This regulation governs the procedures of the Agency and higher education institutions for monitoring compliance.
2. *Monitoring* refers to the Agency's activities which ensure compliance with the standards, in particular the ongoing collection and evaluation of information and supporting documents.
3. *Compliance with the standards* means compliance of the internal system and its implementation with the standards for the internal system, as well as the higher education institution's adherence to the internal system, taking into account the compliance with the standards for study programmes and the standards for the habilitation proceedings and inauguration proceedings.

#### **Article 2**

##### **Documents for monitoring compliance**

1. The Agency monitors compliance based on data from:
  - a) information on the implementation and operation of the higher education institution's internal system, the results achieved and taken measures which the higher education institution publishes or provides to the Agency;
  - b) the registers referred to in § 18 Art. 4 of the Quality Assurance Act;
  - c) analyses pursuant to § 4 par. 2 letter g), second point of the Quality Assurance Act;
  - d) other available information about the higher education institution, its documents and data.
2. The higher education institution is obliged to provide the Agency, upon request, with information, documents and cooperation in connection with monitoring of compliance.
3. For the purposes of monitoring compliance, a member of the Executive Board, a member of the Board of Appeal, a member of the review panel, and an Agency employee specifically designated by the Chair of the Executive Board, has the right to enter the academic premises, to process, within the necessary scope, the files of students,

academic staff, researchers and artistic staff, attend educational activities at the higher education institution and process personal data contained in the documents relevant to the decision-making process.

4. For the purposes of monitoring compliance, specifically designated Agency employees are authorised to process data from the Central Register of Students, the Register of Higher Education Institution Staff, the Central Register of Final Theses, Rigorous Theses and Habilitation Theses, the Central Register of Publication Activities, the Central Register of Artistic Activities and the Register of Study Programmes in their entirety, and to make them available to the extent necessary to members of the Executive Board, the review panel and the Board of Appeal.

### **Article 3**

#### **Procedure of the Agency for monitoring compliance**

1. Monitoring compliance, generally, is carried out by the employees of the Agency acting under the authority of the Chair of the Executive Board. The Executive Board may establish a review panel for monitoring compliance.
2. The Agency carries out monitoring mainly remotely, based on the documents referred to in Article 2 par. 1 (hereinafter referred to as "documents").
3. The Agency is authorised to conduct site inspections in the course of monitoring.
4. The Agency may specifically define the scope of the monitoring activities.
5. In monitoring compliance, the Agency focuses on circumstances that have occurred since the Agency's previous decision on the compliance of the internal system with the standards became final.
6. The Agency may request a higher education institution to provide written information regarding matters related to the monitoring.
7. When monitoring compliance with the standards, the Agency may, on its own initiative, initiate proceedings for:
  - a) an extraordinary review of the internal system; or
  - b) the withdrawal of the accreditation of field of the habilitation or inauguration proceedings pursuant to § 32 of the Quality Assurance Act.
8. If, in the course of its monitoring, the Agency identifies deficiencies, the Executive Board will:
  - a) decide on the imposition of a corrective measure pursuant to § 26 of the Quality Assurance Act;
  - b) decide on the imposition of a corrective measure pursuant to § 27 of the Quality Assurance Act; or
  - c) initiate proceedings pursuant to paragraph 7.
9. If the Agency does not identify any deficiencies in the exercise of its monitoring, the Executive Board will confirm this by resolution, and the Agency will notify the higher education institution thereof.

**Article 4**  
**Final provisions**

1. Internal regulation No. 2/2025 of 22 May 2025 is hereby repealed.
2. This internal regulation enters into force on the date of its approval by the Executive Board on 19 February 2026 and takes effect on 1 March 2026.

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