

## International Conference Achievements and Challenges in Implementation of Bologna Process: Quality Assurance.

March 30, 2016

Venue: **Holiday Inn conference hall,  
Šeimyniškių 1, Vilnius**

The Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Lithuania, together with the Education Exchanges Support Foundation and the national experts for higher education kindly invites you to the international conference aimed at quality assurance issues in higher education under the Bologna Process. The conference is organised under and financed by the Erasmus+ KA3 EHEA reforms project.

The conference is dedicated to discussing the tasks ahead in implementation of changes after adoption of new documents in Yerevan in 2015, both on European and national level. The development of external and internal quality assurance in higher education, involvement of students in quality assurance processes – all these questions will be in focus of the discussions at the event.

The key-note speech will be delivered by one of the creator of European Standards and Guidelines on QA (ESG) in 2005 and the European Quality Assurance Register (EQAR), **Mr. Lucien Bollaert**, Vice-Chair of the European Quality Assurance Register Committee, former Member of the Board of the Accreditation Organisation of the Netherlands and Flanders (NVAO).

Our guest from United Kingdom **Mr. Lee Jones**, Associate Director for Collaborative Provision at Leeds Beckett University, will reflect on current internal quality management practice and the impact of the proposed review of quality assessment and the proposed teaching excellence framework in the UK. The presenter will also share initial findings of UK Quality Strategy Network (QSN) report on the “Use of Management Data to Support Academic Quality Assurance”.

**Mr. Paulius Baltokas**, President of Lithuanian Students Union, and **Mr. Andrius Zalitis**, Vice-President of Lithuanian Students Union, will analyse involvement of students in quality assurance, both external and internal, in Lithuania.

Main findings from the first cycle of external institutional review in Lithuania will be presented by **Mrs. Nora Skaburskienė**, Acting Director of the Centre for Quality Assessment in Higher Education (Lithuania).

**Mr. Giedrius Viliūnas**, Vice-rector of Mykolas Romeris University, will present the recommendations for policy makers in Lithuania developed by the national Bologna experts group for higher education in the framework of the EHEA reforms, and will discuss further directions in implementation of Bologna reforms.

The target audience of the conference is quality managers of higher education institutions, academic and administrative staff, staff from quality assurance agencies, policy makers from the Ministries of Education and other public institutions, student representatives, as well as academics working in HE quality research and EHEA national experts. The event will gather approximately 100 participants from different countries.

We kindly ask you to fill in the registration form which is available on-line on <http://smpf.lt/en/ehea-bologna>.

The registration will be open until the 16<sup>th</sup> of March, 2016. The organisers kindly ask you register without much delay, as the number of places is limited, and due to the limited number of places registration can be closed earlier than the deadline.

Participants are expected to cover accommodation and travel costs themselves.

Practical information regarding accommodation is provided on the website of the event <http://smpf.lt/en/ehea-bologna>.

The agenda of the conference is available on the website <http://smpf.lt/en/ehea-bologna>.

**We are looking forward to meeting you at the event!**