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# Terms of Reference

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# the Working Group on Monitoring

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| **Name of the Working Group**  Working Group on Monitoring |
| **Contact persons (proposed Co-Chairs)**  TBD |
| **Composition**  TBD[[1]](#footnote-1)[[2]](#footnote-2)[[3]](#footnote-3) |
| **Purpose**   * To continue to provide reliable, comparable data and to take stock of progress towards realising the European Higher Education Area; * to make further progress in the construction of a structured and standardised monitoring system consisting of indicators and qualitative analysis; * to allow for comparisons to be made between countries and to allow for monitoring implementation and other changes over time within countries as well as between countries; * to prepare for 2018 an overall streamlined report on the implementation of the Bologna Process and on the fundamental values of the EHEA, integrating data collected by EUROSTAT, EUROSTUDENT and Eurydice. * The report 2015-2018 will constitute a strong evidence base on the progress of implementation for the period 2018-2020. |
| **Reference to the Yerevan Communiqué**   * We need more precise measurement of performance as a basis for reporting from member countries. |
| **Specific tasks**   * to analyse the implementation report 2015 with a view to optimize and further improve the methodology; * to analyse the experience in data collection and processing in the 2012-2015 period with a view to optimize and further improve the methodology resulting in improved coherence and integration of the data; * to identify the key issues in the Yerevan Communiqué to be covered by the report and the way in which they should be addressed (quantifiable indicators or qualitative analysis); * to integrate the fundamental values of the EHEA in the reporting; * to specify the indicators to measure progress in the 2015-2018 period and data required; * to define the survey questionnaire which should be based on a refined 2012-2015 questionnaire; * to allow collecting of information from the Bologna countries; * to assist Eurydice in their drafting of the overall report for approval by the BFUG in advance of the 2018 Ministerial Conference; * to prepare an overall streamlined report on the implementation of the Bologna Process for 2018, integrating data collected by EUROSTAT, EUROSTUDENT and Eurydice. |
| **Reporting**  Minutes of working group meetings will be made available by the Bologna Secretariat.  BFUG should also receive regular reports and updates.  To allow for good communication with BFUG as a whole and for the necessary consultations, progress reports should be submitted at least three weeks before each BFUG meeting. In between BFUG meetings, updates can be circulated by the Bologna Secretariat via e-mail.  The final report will be presented and discussed at the BFUG meeting end of 2017. |
| **Meeting schedule:**  [dates are just tentative, will be decided by the working group at a later stage]  First meeting: November 2015  Second meeting: January 2016  Third meeting: June 2016  Fourth meeting: November 2016  Fifth meeting: January 2017  Sixth meeting: July 2017  Seventh meeting: Nov 2017  Eighth meeting: Jan 2018 |
| **Liaison with other WGs’ and/or board committees’ activities**   * WG on “Implementation of structural reforms”  *(one co-chair or WG member of the WG on “Monitoring” should also be member of the WG on “Implementation of structural reforms” or vice-versa)* * Board committee on “Dealing with non-implementation”  *(one co-chair or WG member of the WG on “Monitoring” should also be member of the Board committee on “Dealing with non-implementation” or vice-versa)* * Board committee on “Support for the Belarus roadmap” *(one co-chair or WG member of the WG on “Monitoring” should also be member of the Board committee on “Support for the Belarus roadmap” or vice-versa)* |
| **Additional remarks**  These terms of reference may be reviewed in the light of progress of the work, in agreement with the BFUG. |

1. Liaison with the WG on “Implementation of structural reforms” [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Liaison with the Board committee on “Dealing with non-implementation” [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Liaison with the Board committee on “Support for the Belarus roadmap” [↑](#footnote-ref-3)