

Future of EHEA - results from the national consultations

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Future of the EHEA consultations – background

- In the Paris Communiqué the Ministers "*ask the BFUG to submit proposals for the main priorities for the next decade, in close cooperation with higher education institutions, staff and students, and for the governance of the EHEA*".
- October 2018 - survey among BFUG Members and BFUG Consultative Members
 - results presented at the BFUG meeting in Bucharest **4-5 April 2019**
- BFUG decided to follow up national consultations, focusing on
 - **“thematic priorities”**
 - **“vision of the future of the EHEA”**
- BFUG Secretariat send the invitation on **28 June 2019**
- Deadline **15 October 2019 (two reminders sent)**
- Background documents used in the consultations:
 - BFUG work on vision and thematic priorities after 2020
 - Governance and thematic priorities after 2020 - outcomes of the online survey

Future of the EHEA consultations – feedback

- State of art by **7 November 2019** (Annex I in the document related to item 7.1 of the BFUG draft agenda):
 - 39 answers received:
 - **35 BFUG Members** (Albania, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium Flemish Community, Belgium French Community, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lichtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, The Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United Kingdom/Scotland)
 - **3 BFUG Consultative Members** (ESU, ETUCE, EUA)
 - **1 BFUG Partners** (EURODOC)
 - Some BFUG Members have informed the Secretariat that:
 - consultations will continue in the light of the inputs that will result from future BFUG meetings (Czech Republic, Georgia, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Moldova, Norway, Russian Federation, Sweden, United Kingdom/Scotland, United Kingdom)

Future of the EHEA consultations - methodology

- Different tools were used, including written and online consultation and surveys based on questionnaires, e-mail messages, face-to-face and virtual meetings, workshops, focus groups, round tables, etc.
- Involved national actors/stakeholders:
 - HEIs - almost all cases exceptions in case of consultation targeted explicitly at Ministries and/or organisations
 - Students unions/associations - 23 cases
 - Rectors Conferences/Councils - 12 cases
 - HE sector bodies (QA and Accreditation Agencies, ENIC-NARIC centres) - 12 cases
 - Trade Unions - 11 cases
 - Researchers, Experts, Practitioners - 8 cases
 - Labour market organisations - 8 cases
 - Ministries - 6 cases
 - Other entities - 18 cases
- As a mean, about 4 categories of actors per country (an indicator of a broad consultation?)
- Relevant statistics in Annex II of Item 7.1 document

THANK YOU

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