



# The work of the Coordination Group on Global Policy Dialogue

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# CG on GPD - Composition (2024-2026)

## Co-chairs (3)

Italy, Republic of Moldova, UNESCO

## Members (22 – 15 countries; 6 consultative members; EC)

Albania, Austria, Azerbaijan, EUA, Education International – ETUCE, ENQA, EURASHE, European Commission, ESU, France, Germany, Holy See, Italy, Kazakhstan, Malta, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Romania, Slovakia, UNESCO



# Main Goals

## 1 Ensure dialogue and consolidate trust

Between EHEA and other macro-regions, countries, organisations

## 3 Support mutual understanding on principles

Recognition, quality assurance, ethical international and academic cooperation

## 2 Identify themes to be addressed globally

Between regions, at intergovernmental level

## 4 Fostering quality education for all

Contribute to achieving SDG 4.3



# Agreed methodology

1

## Topic-based work

Horizontally on thematic priorities instead of vertically on geographical regions

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## Alternation of meeting formats

One CG GPD meeting including only members of the group, while the next open to external partners

3

## Synergies

Other **BFUG** working structures: TPGs, TF on the Future of Bologna, WG on Internationalisation and mobility.

**European and global initiatives:** EU initiatives; ASEAN Roadmap, UNESCO Campus Africa, etc.

# Outcomes

## Core Priorities

- Bologna Key commitments with a special focus on recognition conventions and quality assurance
- Lifelong learning and micro-credentials
- Recognition of refugees qualifications with insufficient documentation (Art. VII)
- Right to education/social dimension
- Digitalisation and artificial intelligence as transversal topics

## Expected results

- Global Policy Statement
- Global Policy Forum
- Topic-specific recommendations from the open meetings with stakeholders



# What have we done to date?

## 1st CG GPD meeting 30.01.2025 – online

17 participants from the Group's members countries

Discussion of the ToRs

First matching exercise: thematic areas and HE actors

## 2nd CG GPD meeting 21.02.2025 – online

17 participants from the Group's members countries

Interactive discussion on the topics to be addressed

Drafting of the list of HE actors to be involved

## 3rd CG GPD meeting 29-30.09.2025 – Bucharest

Meeting open to external experts and stakeholders

Recognition and Quality assurance + digitalisation as cross-cutting topic



# 3rd CGGPD meeting

## 29-30.09.2025 – Bucharest



### Venue and participants

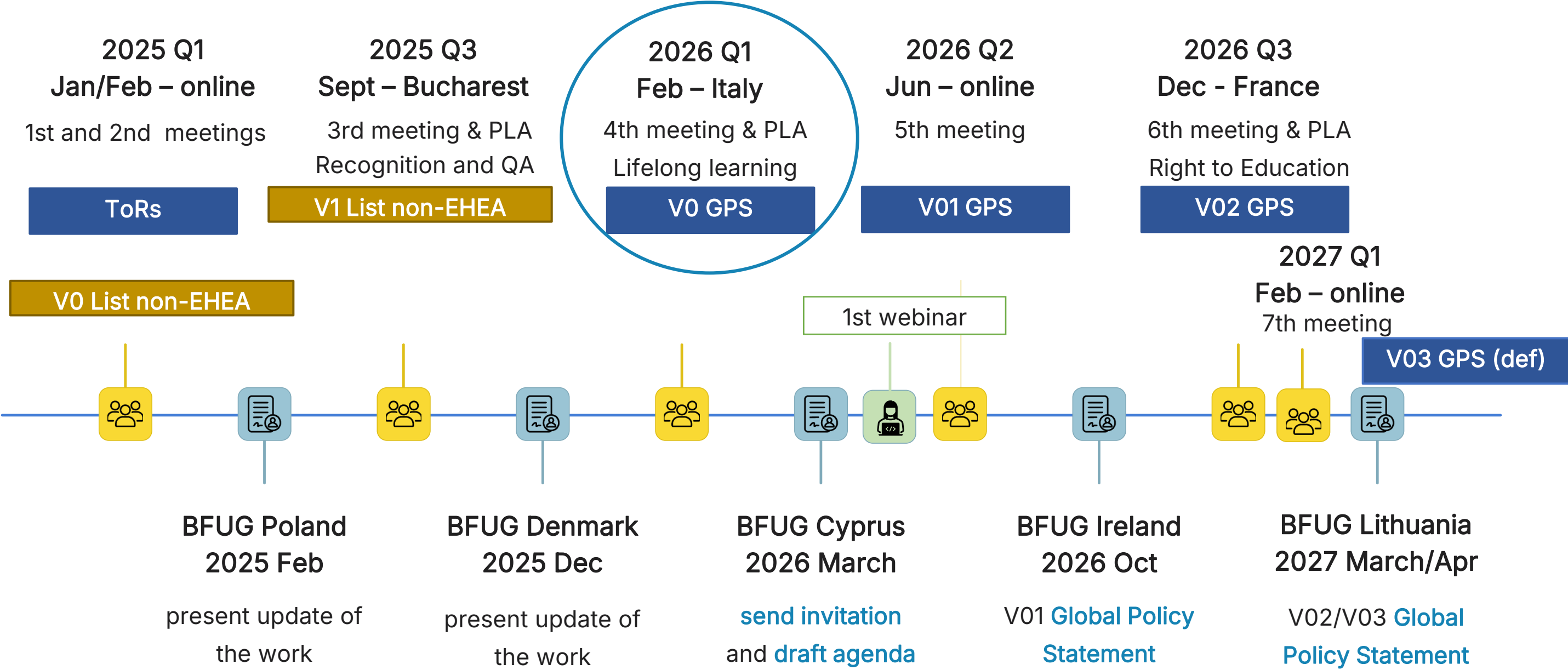
- Held at the National University of Science and Technology POLITEHNICA in Bucharest and online
- **Participants:** 24 from the Group's members countries and 8 external experts in presence, 65 online.
- Organised in conjunction with the **SPHERE Bologna Symposium and Annual Conference**, supported by OBREAL and the European University Association

### Agenda

- ✓ focus on the topics of **recognition of qualifications** and **quality assurance (QA)** from a global perspective
- ✓ **digitalisation** as a transversal topic
- ✓ **panel discussions and Peer Learning Activities (PLAs)** involving the presidents of the Regional Recognition Conventions and of the Regional Quality Assurance Frameworks
- ✓ Meeting's insights informing the **Global Policy Statement**, adopted at the EHEA Global Policy Forum in 2027 in Iași/Chișinău



# CG GPD Timeline 2025-2027



# Global Policy Forum Statement

## Drafting group

**Who:** CG GPD members

**When:** First meeting planned in early 2026

**What:** Timeline; workplan

**Members:** EUA, Italy, Holy See, Malta, Moldova, Norway, Romania, UNESCO



External partners will be involved in consultations – not in the drafting team



# List of external partners



1. List of actors and relevant topics at regional and global level
2. List of countries

## Consultation process

- **Participant lists** from previous Global Policy Forums, Tirana (2024) and Paris (2018)
- **First list** drafted during the second online meeting and circulated among Group's members in preparation for the 3rd CG GPD meeting in Bucharest
- **Consultation and discussion** with Group's members during the 3rd CG GPD meeting
- **Proposed list** includes comments gathered during and after the 3rd CG GPD meeting
- **Proposal circulated** to BFUG Board members on 21 October 2025

# Thank You



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