Draft agenda

CI BFUG meeting

5th – 6th of November 2026

Croke Park Conference Centre

All hours in Irish time

4th of November 2026

09:30 – 16:30 *BP4LnT Seminar on Learning and Teaching*
Optional side-event by EURASHE with separate registration
Technological University Dublin, Grangegorman

18:20 **Tour of the Museum of Literature Ireland, followed by Welcome Reception**
Address: 86 St Stephens Green, Dublin 2, D02 XY43
(Pick-up bus from Leonardo Hotel Dublin Christchurch at 18:00)

5th of November 2026

08:00 *Bus departs from Leonardo Hotel Dublin Christchurch*

Start of meeting: 9:00

9:00 – 9:20 **1. Welcome and introduction**

1.1. Welcome by Mr. James Lawless TD, Minister for Further and Higher Education Research Innovation and Science
1.2. Welcome by the BFUG Co-chairs (Ireland and Montenegro)
1.3. Welcome by the BFUG Vice-chair (Romania)

2. Information from the outgoing BFUG Co-chairs (Cyprus and Norway)

Documents: Minutes of the BFUG Board XCVIII meeting (Oslo) and BFUG XCIX meeting (online)
Letters of the outgoing BFUG Co-chairs to the BFUG representatives of Georgia and Serbia; Answer from Georgia; Answer from Serbia

Proposed action: Take note of the Minutes of the XCIX BFUG meeting

3. Information about the C BFUG Board meeting in Podgorica

Documents: BFUG Board_100_IE_ME_Final-Minutes_29.10.2026 (Podgorica)

4. Adoption of the agenda

Documents: Agenda of the meeting

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All documents for the meeting – compiled

Proposed action: Adopt the agenda

09:20 – 10:20 5. Information from the EHEA Secretariat (25 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_5_1_EHEA_Secretariat_Presentation_27.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_5_2_Structure-for-final-reports_20.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_5_3_Call-for-2030-Ministerial-Conference-hosts
BFUG_101_IE_ME_5_4_Comparative-table-definitions_28.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_5_5_Report_Conference_Implementation_Bucharest
BFUG_101_IE_ME_5_6_Report_BPRC_Bucharest_28.10.2026

Proposed actions: Take note of the presentation; Agree on the Structure for the Final Report and on the Call for the host of the 2030 Ministerial Conference and Global Policy Forum

6. Updates on the Ministerial Conference and Global Policy Forum (35 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_6_1_Updates_Ministerial-Conference-and-GPF_30.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_6_Draft Tentative Agenda Ministerial Conference and GPF_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_6_3_Draft-Short-PIN_30.10.2026

Proposed action: Discuss and give feedback on the documents

10:20 – 11:00 7. Reporting from the BFUG working structures

7.1 WG on Internationalisation and Mobility (40 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.1_WG_IM_1_Draft_Action_Plan_IM_20.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.1_WG_IM_2_Presentation_28.10.2026

Proposed action: Discuss and give feedback on the documents

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 7. Reporting from the BFUG working structures (continuation)

7.2 WG on Monitoring (30 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.2_WG_Monitoring_1_BPIR_28.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.2_WG_Monitoring_2_Presentation_28.10.2026

7.3 WG on Fundamental Values (35 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.3_WG_FV_1_Executive-Summary_Report_21.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.3_WG_FV_2_Full-Report-Monitoring-FV_21.10.2026

BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.3_WG_FV_3_Annex-Scorecards_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.3_WG_FV_4_Annex-Detailed-Methodology
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.3_WG_FV_5_Presentation_28.10.2026

7.4 CG on Global Policy Dialogue (25 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.4_CG_GPD_1_Global-Policy Statement_21.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.4_CG_GPD_2_Roadmap-for-international-cooperation_20.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.4_CG_GPD_3_Presentation_28.10.2026

Proposed action: Discuss and give feedback on the documents

13:00 - 14:00 Family photo and Lunch

14:00 – 15:15 7. Reporting from the BFUG working structures (continuation)

7.5 Task Force on establishing a long-term EHEA Secretariat (60 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.5_TF_LTS_1_Draft-Statutes_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.5_TF_LTS_2_Explanatory-Note-Statutes_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.5_TF_LTS_3_Recruitment-Head-of-Secretariat_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.5_TF_LTS_4_Roadmap_28.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.5_TF_LTS_5_Financial-Model_28.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.5_TF_LTS_6_Romania_Proposal-Steering-Committee_30.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.5_TF_LTS_7_Romania_Proposal-Head-of-Secretariat-Selection
BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.5_TF_LTS_8_Presentation_02.11.2026
Declaration of intent from Romania

Proposed action: Agree on the Draft EHEA Secretariat association Statutes, the Financial Model and the Call for the selection of the Head of Secretariat; Discuss and give feedback on the Roadmap

7.6 Bologna Implementation Coordination Group (15 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_7.6_BICG_Presentation_02.11.2026

Proposed action: Take note of the updates

15:15 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 17:00 8. Decision on the ECTS User's Guide 2027 (30 min)

Documents:BFUG_101_IE_ME_8_ECTS-Users-Guide-2027_Final-Draft-Clean_21.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_8_ECTS-Users-Guide-2027_Final-Draft-Track-Changes_21.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_8_3_ECTS-Users-Guide_Presentation_02.11.2026

Proposed action: Agree on the ECTS User's Guide 2027

9. Decision on the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in EHEA 2027 and discussion on the Draft 1 of the European Approach for the QA of Joint Programmes (60 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_9_1_ESG-2027-Final-Draft_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_9_2_European-Approach-Draft-1_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_9_3_Explanatory-Note-ESG-and-EA_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_9_4_ESG-and-EA_Presentation_28.10.2026

Proposed action: Agree on the ESG 2027; Discuss and give feedback to the European Approach for the QA of Joint Programmes

17:00 End of Day 1

18:30 **Gala Dinner at the St Patrick's Hall, Dublin Castle**
(Gathering at the Leonardo Hotel Dublin Christchurch at 18:30 and walk)

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08:10 Bus departs from Leonardo Hotel Dublin Christchurch

09:00 – Start of Day 2

09:00 – 10:00 (Continuation from Day 1, if required)

10. Debate on future post-2030 Bologna Process priorities from the Task Force on the Future of Bologna

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_10_1_Study on Bologna impact and Future Trends_Draft_20.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_10_2_Study-on-Bologna-impact-and-future-trends_Draft_Key-messages_20.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_10_3_Results-BFUG-survey_02.11.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_10_4_Results-BFUG-survey_Presentation_02.11.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_10_5_TF_FoB_Presentation_02.11.2026

Proposed action: Discuss (in plenary) on political priorities for the EHEA (feeding into the report of the Task Force and the Drafting Committee activity)

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break

10:30 – 11:30 **11. Discussion on the Draft 1 of the Iași-Chișinău Communiqué (60 min)**

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_11_Draft-1-Communique_20.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_11_2_Drafting-Committee_Presentation-Communique_28.10.2026

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Proposed action: Discuss and give *general comments* on the Draft 1 of the Communiqué

11:30 – 11:45 **12. Updates from the European Commission on 2027 Erasmus+ funding for the EHEA and the Skills Portability Initiative** (15 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_12_EC-Updates-Erasmus-funding-and-Skills-Initiative_Presentation_02.11.2026

Proposed action: Take note of the presentation and discuss the calendar

11:45 – 12:30 **13. Information from consultative members** (15 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_13_2_CoE_23.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_13_4_ESU_22.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_13_3_ENQA_23.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_13_5_ETUCE_27.10.2028
BFUG_101_IE_ME_13_9_UNESCO_20.10.2026

14. Application for EHEA partnership status from Marie Curie Alumni Association (MCAA) (10 min)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_14_1_Application_MCAA_20.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_14_2_Background_Note_MCAA_20.10.2026

Proposed action: Decide on the application

15. Information by the incoming co-chairs (Lithuania and North Macedonia) (10 min)

15.1 BFUG Board meeting CII and CIV (North Macedonia)
15.2 BFUG meeting CIII and CV (Lithuania)

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_15_1_Updates-incoming-North-Macedonian-Co-chairs_Presentation_02.11.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_15_2_Updates-incoming-Lithuanian-Co-chairs_28.10.2026

16. Any other business (AOB) and closing remarks (10 min)

16.1 Updates from Eurostudent

Documents: BFUG_101_IE_ME_16_Updates-Eurostudent_21.10.2026
BFUG_101_IE_ME_16_2_Presentation-Eurostudent_28.10.2026

End of meeting: 12:30 Irish time, followed by lunch

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