



Report on the meeting within the ECBAC TEMPUS project QA team

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The School of Higher Technical Professional Education in Niš was the host of the meeting within the ECBAC Tempus project dedicated to the issues of quality control. The meeting was attended by the representatives of the commissions for the quality control from the partner institutions in Serbia. During the meeting, the participants discussed about the principles and areas of quality control as well as the normative acts which should be harmonized at the level of the Academy according to the existing standards. Two new rulebooks, *The Rulebook on Student Mobility and Transfer of Credits* and the *Rulebook on the Function of the Student Services* were presented and given to the local consortium members to be reviewed. Professor Nebojša Arsić from VHTŠ in Kruševac had a remarkable presentation on the quality control within the Academy during which a new logo of the quality control service was presented.

During the meeting, student surveys were analyzed and the possibility for their harmonization at the level of the Academy was investigated. It was emphasized that each school as a partner institution should introduce its ALUMNI within which it would be possible to follow graduate students and their professional careers and enable them to conduct evaluation of higher education institutions at which they were studying and their study programmes. Moreover, the participants of the meeting discussed about the quality indicators based on which possible corrective measures can be taken in order to improve quality continually. Undoubtedly, it has been stated that quality indicators are very significant since they serve for writing of the self-evaluation report.

The conclusion has been reached that the quality indicators are defined for all the standards except for the one referring to the quality of the teaching staff, which is a sensitive matter to be approached carefully at the level of the Academy by taking a unique attitude towards it. At the end of the meeting it was decided that the framework of the unique quality policy should be defined by the end of February 2014. Also, it was planned to start with the implementation of the new, unified surveys from April 2014. The meeting was held successfully and the School of Higher Technical Professional Education proved once more to be an exceptional host of such kind of a meeting.

On behalf of the consortium
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