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Biographies of the Speakers

David Crosier joined Eurydice, the European Commission's education information network, in September 2008. He is responsible for coordinating the network's reports and activities on higher education and has been involved in the production of the two Bologna Implementation Reports published in 2012 and 2015 and the upcoming 2018 edition. Before joining Eurydice, David worked for the European University Association where he was responsible for a variety of projects focusing on different aspects of implementation of the Bologna Process.

David Crosier

Appointed director of AEQES in 2008, Caty Duykaerts is responsible for designing and implementing external evaluation procedures in Belgian French-speaking higher education (universities, university colleges, art schools and conservatories, and adult education centres). AEQES underwent external reviews in 2011 and 2016. Both reviews contributed to the further development of the agency and granted it ENQA membership. Committed to the field of quality assurance (ENQA Board member and Vice-President, member of EURASHE Working Group on Quality, member of the Steering Committee of the European Quality Assurance Forum (EQAF), co-founder of the French-speaking network of QA agencies), Caty was previously a language teacher in adult education and ran a large adult education centre in Brussels.

Caty Duykaerts

Klara Engels-Perenyi is a Policy Officer at the European Commission. In the higher education policy unit of the Directorate-General for Education and Culture Klara is responsible for the policy areas of quality assurance and the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS). She is coordinating a working group of ministry officials on the Modernisation of Higher Education, which supports member state reforms to maximise the potential of higher education systems to provide high quality higher education, increasing Europe's innovation capacity and contributing to growth and jobs.

Klara Engels-Perenyi

Anna Gover is a Policy and Project Officer for the European University Association (EUA). She works in the Institutional Development Unit, and her work focuses on activities relating to quality assurance in higher education. This includes managing projects in this field and coordinating the organisation of the annual EQAF and EUA's Institutional Evaluation Programme (IEP). She also represents EUA at events and meetings across Europe.

Anna Gover

Maria Kelo

Maria Kelo is the Director of ENQA, the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (since 2011). She is also a Vice-President of the Executive Board of the European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR). Prior to joining ENQA, Maria worked for nine years in the field of international higher education: as a trainee at the European Commission; as a research assistant at Eurydice (2003); as Senior Officer at the Academic Cooperation Association (2003-2009); as Programme Manager at EUA (2010); and as an independent consultant (2010-2011). Maria is a graduate of University College London (1996-2000) and the London School of Economics (2001-2002).

David Metz

David Metz has been a part of the Danish Accreditation Institution since the beginning almost ten years ago. He has worked with both institutional and programme accreditation, writing guidelines for the self-evaluation of higher education institutions, internal quality assurance in the agency, thematic analysis, and he is an appointed representative in the forum for Nordic agencies, NOQA.

Blazhe Todorovski

Blazhe Todorovski studies law at the University Ss. Cyril and Methodius in Skopje. Since 2012, Blazhe has been member of the Executive Committee of the European Students Union (ESU) and from July 2015 he has been serving as Vice-Chairperson. Blazhe has been involved in student representation and education policies at the national and European level, working as part of the ESU Quality Assurance Experts' Pool and member of the experts' pool at the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA).

Colin Tück

Colin Tück is the Director of the European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR). He has been working for EQAR since October 2007, initially as Project Manager on behalf of its founding members (ENQA, ESU, EUA, and EURASHE). He was a member of the Steering Group for the revision of the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG) and is a co-author of the European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes. Prior to joining EQAR, he was involved in quality assurance-related topics as a member of the European Students' Union's (ESU, formerly ESIB) Bologna Process Committee and of the Executive Board of the National Union of Students in Germany (fzs).

Aurelija Valeikienė

Aurelija Valeikienė is the Deputy Director of the Lithuanian Centre for Quality Assurance in Higher Education and the Head of the Lithuanian ENIC-NARIC. She serves on the BFUG Advisory Group to Support Belarus on the Roadmap to EHEA. Prior to that she worked on structural reforms in the Bologna Process, encompassing topics of national qualification frameworks, quality assurance, recognition of qualifications, and transparency. Aurelija also served as Treasurer and Board member, then President of the Central and Eastern European Network of Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (CEENQA). Aurelija was a member of the ENQA Board and several working groups. She acts as an independent expert for the Council of Europe, ENQA, World Bank, and the European Training Foundation.