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Breakout Session I

Cooperation and competition: Is there a new market in European quality assurance? Outcomes of the fourth ENQA "Quality Procedures in European Higher Education" project, by Josep Grifoll.

The goal of this breakout session is to discuss and form some conclusions for Question 3, while considering the enquête provided by Questions 1 and 2.

- 1) The higher education landscape in 2020. Do you expect significant changes in your country?
For example:
 - Increased competition between national and international higher education provision.
 - Reduction in public funding for higher education and more private funding.
 - Weaker position of the public sector as employer of graduates and postgraduates.
 - Higher international mobility of national graduates and postgraduates

- 2) Do you envisage changes in the development of a market for QA in your country?
For example:
 - New expectations on the quality of your service? (Who will ask for a different or a new service on QA?)
 - Do you expect (more) foreign agencies operating in your jurisdiction?
 - Will QA for higher education be funded differently? (balance between government, institutions, and private stakeholders)
 - Will the functions of national QA agencies be transformed? (new goals or adaptation of the existing ones)

- 3) Taking into account questions 1 and 2, can we draw some suggestions for the internationalisation of European QA for 2020?
 - National QA agencies should compete in a European market for QA?
 - Should national QA agencies perform a set of functions that cannot not be placed under the rules of the market? Any proposal?
 - If national QA agencies have to compete with other agencies, should we need additional standards? (Degree of Internationalisation of the QA agencies?)
 - If national markets on QA become restrictive (for some of the functions performed by the national QA agencies) should the internationalisation of the QA agency be a requirement?