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**Towards more flexible, comprehensive and collaborative
quality assurance process**

QAEMarketPlace4HEI -project proposes a flexible and collaborative method, processes and tools for degree program and higher education evaluation, as a complement for weighty and ponderous accreditations. The innovativeness of the project lies in the collaborative model of quality assurance that can complement accreditations and existing quality assurance systems.

The project promotes and strengthens the European cooperation in quality assurance while designing and piloting new kind of continuous, accessible, cooperation based model, tools and a virtual platform (the Market Place) supporting so called cross-sparring between institutions. Cross-sparring is to be understood as a process to make feedback more collaborative, concrete and objective, thanks to critical, but discreet brainstorming sessions, where strategies can be discussed, repeatedly contributing to the quality assurance with a critical external view. As in sport, a sparring partner helps to keep eyes on the objectives, learn from experience and stimulate reflectivity. This approach is beneficial both for the institution evaluated, which will get a more objective view on its strengths and potential improvements, and for the sparring partner which may identify best practices that can be useful for his own institution. The Market Place serves as a tool for finding the best possible sparring partners as well as a forum for networking, sharing experiences, information and best practices.



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International

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