

# **Cross-border Quality Assurance Network in Higher Education in Asia and Europe (CBQAN)**

## **2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly**

### **Consensus**

Bedford Hall, Dublin Castle, Dublin, Ireland

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The Second General Assembly of Cross-border Quality Assurance Network in Higher Education in Asia and Europe (CBQAN) took place on 19 December 2018 in Dublin, Ireland.

The meeting was attended by representatives from member agencies, namely, Academic Information Centre (AIC, Latvia), China Academic Degrees and Graduate Education Development Center (CDGDC, China), the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ, China), Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA, UK), Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI, Ireland), UK NARIC (UK), and non-member agencies, namely, German Quality Assurance Agency (AQAS, Germany), Estonian Quality Agency for Higher and Vocational Education (EKKA, Estonia), and Knowledge and Human Development Authority (KHDA, UAE), Agency for Quality of the Basque University System (UNIBASQ, Spain).

The meeting proceeded in a congenial and active atmosphere, with significant inputs from CBQAN members, and yielded the following results:

1. The CBQAN Organizational Charter was discussed, amended and finally approved;
2. The First Council of CBQAN was constituted, with Mr. Huang Baoyin (Director-General of CDGDC) being elected as the President; Ms. Cloud Bai-yun (CEO of UK NARIC) as the Vice President; Ms. Baiba Ramina (CEO of AIC), Mr. Albert Chow (ED of HKCAAVQ), Dr. Bryan Maguire (Director of QQI), Ms. Rowena Pelik (Director of QAA) as Directors;

3. The action plan for building **Asia-Europe Higher Education Excellent Quality Assurance Program Platform** was agreed on in principle. It is intended to showcase excellent QA cases and excellent programmes assessed by QA bodies on the webpage of CBQAN. CDGDC was asked to coordinate and take forward this action plan, and all CBQAN members were encouraged to provide relevant information;

4. The framework of ***Guidelines for Quality Provision in Cross-border Education by CBQAN*** was agreed on. The Guideline is not mandatory or legally binding, but to provide recommended principles on cross-border education, academic and student mobility, and how to improve quality for higher education institutions, quality assurance bodies, and education authorities. QAA was asked to take forward this action plan, with the CBQAN Secretariat coordinating to establish a drafting team composing QAA, CDGDC, and HKCAAVQ.

5. The third CBQAN General Assembly will take place in China in 2020.

CBQAN expressed appreciation to Quality and Qualification Ireland for hosting the Second General Assembly in Dublin, Ireland in 2018.

# 亚欧跨境高等教育质量保障网络组织第二次会员会议 共识

爱尔兰都柏林城堡贝德福得会议室

2018年12月19日，亚欧跨境高等教育质量保障网络组织第二次会员会议在爱尔兰都柏林举行。

第二次会员会议参会机构包括：会员单位——拉脱维亚学术信息中心、中国学位与研究生教育发展中心、香港学术与职业资历评审局、英国高等教育质量保障署、爱尔兰质量与资历局，英国全国学术认证信息中心；以及非会员单位——德国学术交流中心、爱沙尼亚高等教育及职业教育质量保障局、迪拜知识与人力发展署。

会议总体气氛融洽、活跃，与会代表积极讨论、表达观点，达成以下共识：

1. 会议修订并通过《亚欧跨境高等教育质量保障网络组织章程》；

2. 会议选举产生第一届理事会。理事会主席由中国教育部学位与研究生教育发展中心主任黄宝印担任，副主席由英国全国学术认证信息中心首席执行官 Cloud Bai-yun 担任，理事由拉脱维亚学术信息中心首席执行官 Baiba Ramina、中国香港学术与职业资历评审局副局长 Sandra Wong、爱尔兰质量与资历局首席执行官 Pdraig Walsh、英国高等教育质量保障署首席执行官 Douglas Blackstock 担任；

3. 会议原则同意“亚欧高等教育质量保障卓越项目平台”行动计划。该计划是在 CBQAN 官方网站上，展示亚欧会议成员国或地区的跨境高等教育质量保障卓越案例，以及卓越学科和专业。会议同意，该工作由中国教育部学位与研究生教育发展中心牵头落实，欢迎各成员提供卓越项目信息。

4. 会议同意《CBQAN 有质量保障的跨境高等教育指南》撰写方案。该指南旨在为亚欧会议高校、质量保障机构、教育主管部门提供一个关于跨境教育、办学流动、学生流动，以及如何提高质量的建议原则，不具有强制性或法律约束力。会议同意，该工作由英国高等教育质量保障署牵头，由秘书处协调组织英国高等教育质量保障署、中国学位与研究生教育发展中心、XXX 组成工作小组负责起草工作。

5. 会议同意 CBQAN 第三次会员会议由 XXX 承办，于 2020 年在 XXX 适时召开。

会议对爱尔兰质量与资历局承办第二次会员会议表示感谢。