

BICG and TPG B Work Plan 2018-2020

1st TPG B Meeting
Tirana, 31 January 2019

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THE PARIS COMMUNIQUÉ: THE BOLOGNA IMPLEMENTATION COORDINATION GROUP

«In order to unlock the full potential of the EHEA and ensure the implementation of Bologna key commitments, we are adopting a structured peer support approach based on solidarity, cooperation and mutual learning. In 2018-2020, thematic peer groups will focus on three key commitments crucial to reinforcing and supporting quality and cooperation inside the EHEA:

- a three-cycle system compatible with the overarching framework of qualifications of the EHEA and first and second cycle degrees scaled by ECTS*
- **compliance with the Lisbon Recognition Convention,***
- and quality assurance in compliance with the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area.*

*We mandate the Bologna follow-up group (BFUG) to implement, coordinate and monitor the adopted peer support approach, and to do so with the aid of **the Bologna Implementation Coordination Group** established to that end. It will analyse the first round of peer support and through the BFUG suggest the direction that the activity should take in the future, and report back to us at our next EHEA Ministerial conference in 2020».*

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BICG – Bologna Implementation Coordination Group

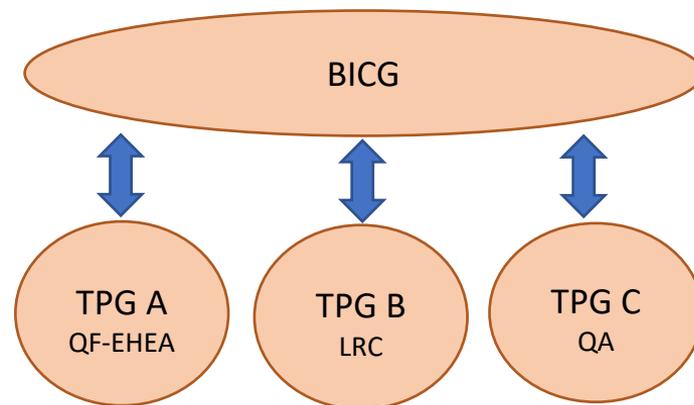
3 Thematic Peer Groups (TPGs):

A TPG - QF-EHEA

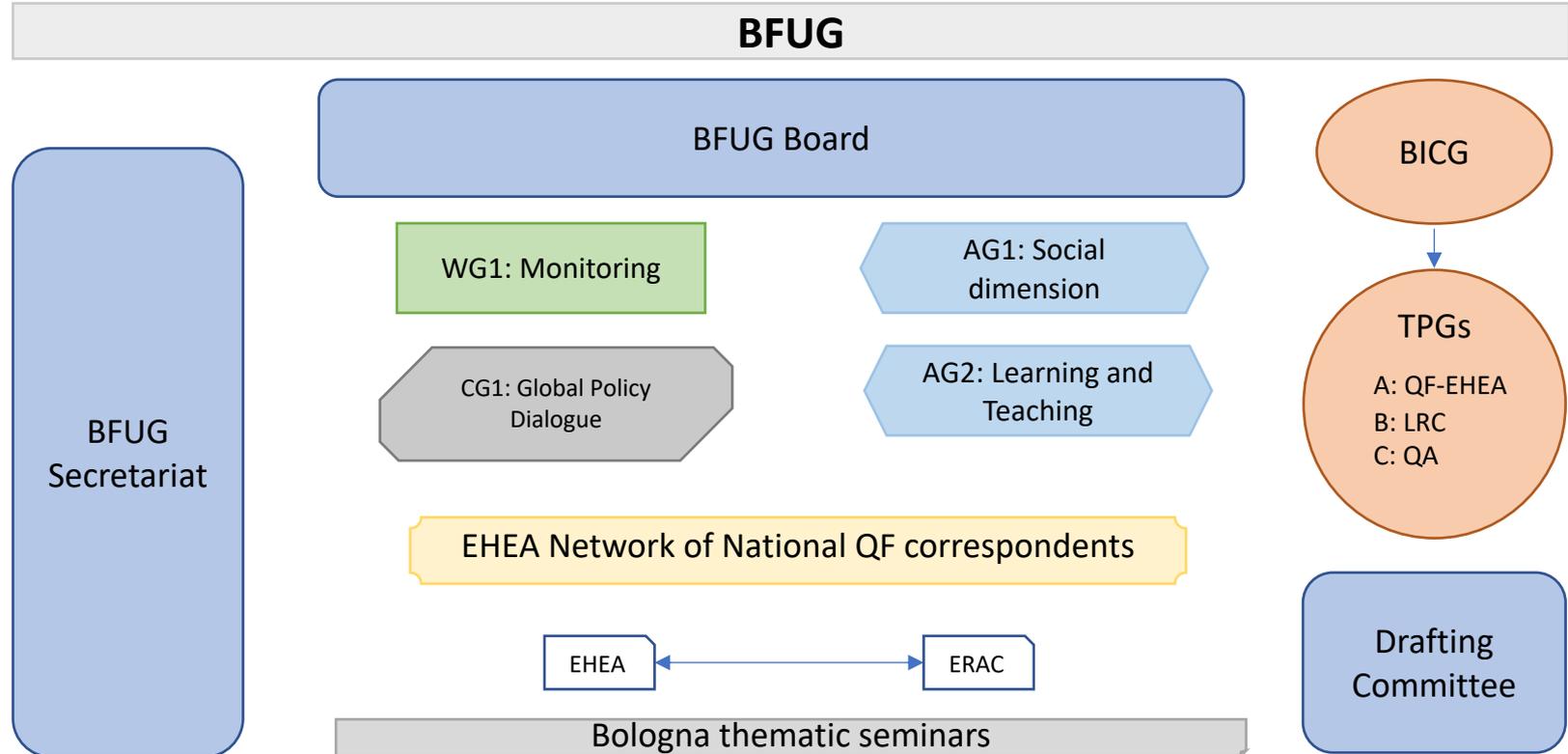
B TPG – LRC

C TPG – QA

BICG composition: Austria (Co-chair), Bulgaria (Co-chair), Croatia (Co-chair), Italy, the European Commission, EUA, EURASHE, one Co-chair of Working Group 1 on Monitoring, one Co-chair of Peer Group A on QF, one Co-chair of Peer Group B on LRC, one Co-chair of Peer Group C on QA.



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BICG: THEMATIC PEER GROUP B

In September 2018, the BFUG formally established this **Thematic Peer Group B on the Lisbon Recognition Convention (TPG B on LRC)** based on the interests and needs indicated by the BFUG Members and Consultative members in a survey conducted during the summer of 2018.

Specific thematic indications include topics such as:

- establishing the legal framework to allow the implementation of the LRC,
- establishing the distribution of work and responsibilities among the competent institutions that have the right knowledge and capacity to carry out recognition procedures,
- achieving automatic recognition,
- recognition of alternative pathways,
- qualifications held by refugees,
- optimising the potential of digital technology for the recognition agenda and the Diploma Supplement.

Co-chairs: Albania, France, Italy.

Members: Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium Flemish Community, Belgium French Community, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Council of Europe, Denmark, EI-IE, EQAR, Estonia, EURASHE, ESU, EUA, European Commission, Germany, Greece, Holy See, Ireland, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovenia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Switzerland, Ukraine, UNESCO, United Kingdom (Scotland).

BICG: <http://ehea.info/page-Bologna-Implementation-Coordination-Group>

TPG A: <http://ehea.info/page-peer-group-A-QF>

TPG B: <http://ehea.info/page-peer-group-B-LRC>

TPG C: <http://ehea.info/page-peer-group-C-QA>

European Higher Education Area and Bologna Process

The European Higher Education Area (EHEA) is a unique international collaboration on higher education and the result of the political will of 48 countries with different political, cultural and academic traditions, which, step by step during the last twenty years, built an area implementing a common set of commitments: **structural reforms and shared tools**. These 48 countries agree to and adopt reforms on higher education on the basis of common key values— such as freedom of expression, autonomy for institutions, independent student unions, academic freedom, free movement of students and staff. Through this process, countries, institutions and stakeholders of the European area continuously adapt their higher education systems making them more compatible and strengthening their quality assurance mechanisms. For all these countries, the main goal is to **increase staff and students' mobility and to facilitate employability**. This official website of EHEA provides both general information on this process and detailed information for experts.

EVENTS
Upcoming events

BICG
Bologna Implementation
Coordination Group

GROUPS
of Work Plan 2018-2020

Thematic Peer Group B

In September 2018, the BFUG formally established this **Thematic Peer Group B on the Lisbon Recognition Convention (TPG B on LRC)** – more specifically on Key Commitment 2 (national legislation and procedures compliant with the **Lisbon Recognition Convention**) – based on the interests and needs indicated by the BFUG members and Consultative members in a survey conducted during the summer of 2018.

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Work plan of the Thematic Peer Group B on the Lisbon Recognition Convention
(will be uploaded in March 2019)

TPG B on LRC Meetings

1. First Meeting of the TPG B on LRC in Tirana on 31 January 2019

The members of the Thematic Peer Group meet for the first time and will discuss the work plan of each single country and the overall work plan of the group.

Minutes of this meeting (will be uploaded soon)

Presentations and documents of this meeting (will be uploaded soon)

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