

**MEETING OF THE BFUG
HELSINKI, FINLAND 12-13 October 2006**

EURASHE UPDATE
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1. Presidency of EURASHE:

After former President Roland Vermeesch died on 10 June 2006, and in accordance with the Constitution of EURASHE, Lars Lynge Nielsen (Denmark) is the Acting President of EURASHE for the next two years. However, Vice-President Andreas G. Orphanides (Cyprus) is the representative of EURASHE in the BFUG Group and its Board, as a successor to Roland Vermeesch, and is responsible for all issues relating to the Bologna Process within EURASHE.

2. EURASHE Seminar on Short Cycle Higher Education “Involvement of Stakeholders in SCHE”:

The seminar will be organised by EURASHE in close cooperation with ESA, the Association of European Schools on Higher Education in Administration and Management in the German speaking countries.

PROVISIONAL TIME AND PLACE: Stuttgart (Germany), February 2007

3. EURASHE Seminar on Institutional Quality Assurance in Professional Higher Education:

(EURASHE will seek the cooperation of the other E4 Group members in this seminar.)

It will be a combination of seminar & workshop including the following activities:

a) a seminar with presentations on the philosophy, standards & practicalities pertaining to the QA system being developed within the framework of the Bologna Process.

b) a workshop , incorporated in the seminar, on the implementation of the institutional internal QA and its relationship to an external QA review, with practical case studies,

c) a training session for a team of EURASHE QA specialists to serve as consultants for supporting/assisting institutions represented by EURASHE on QA.

PROVISIONAL TIME AND PLACE: Brussels, March 2007

4. EURASHE Annual Meeting and Conference:

DATE AND PLACE: 25-26-27 April 2007, Copenhagen (Denmark)

The main objective of the Copenhagen conference will be to prepare the professional higher education institutions for the next meeting of the Ministers of Education of the Bologna countries, scheduled for 17-18 May 2007 in London, with themes such as:

The social dimension of Higher Education, Life Long Learning, Human Rights in HE, Democracy in the New Bologna countries, Research & Innovation ("Applied research in a regional setting" & knowledge acquired through the exercise of a profession).

5. Eurasian Seminar/Conference on QA in a Trans-national Context:

This seminar/conference has already been approved as Tempus project.

PLACE: Kazakhstan

PROVISIONAL TIME: October 2007.