



INQAAHE Bulletin

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INQAAHE News

- **INQAAHE Workshop 2006** will be hosted by Nederlands-Vlaamse Accreditatieorganisatie (NVAO) and held in the Hague on **17th - 19th May, 2006**.

Participation in the workshop is strictly on a first come first served basis. If you wish to attend the workshop and have yet to register please do so now via the dedicated workshop website which is available to access at <http://www.inqaahe.net>

Please note that the hotels can no longer guarantee availability

- **INQAAHE 2007 Biennial Conference**

The conference website, launched on March 1, is available at <http://www.peqab.edu.gov.on.ca/inqaahe/>.

Forthcoming Events

- **"Challenges to Academic Medicine: Planning Futures in Partnerships" Conference, 10-12 May 2006, Graz (Austria)**

The theme will be consideration of how best to plan futures together recognising that academic medical and health science centres, education, training and research are faced with new requirements and demands that are difficult to meet. Further information is available at: www.meduni-graz.at/academicmedicine

- **Conference on Quality in Higher Education, 1-2 June 2006**

Hosted by the "Angel Kanchev" University of Rousse, and with the support of the Bulgarian Ministry of Education, this international conference will discuss various issues related to Quality in European higher education in the context of educational reforms. Further information is available at: www.eua.be/eua/jsp/en/client/item_view.jsp?type_id=2&item_id=3095

- **International Forum on Academic Partnership for HR Development, 2-3 June 2006**

As part of its 15th year anniversary, the Varna Free University "Chernorizets Hrabar" will host a Forum on "Academic Partnership for Human Resource Development: Specific Characteristics, Experience and Capacity of the Universities in South East Europe and the Balkans". www.eua.be/eua/jsp/en/client/item_view.jsp?type_id=2&item_id=3096

- **Euro-Southeast Asia ICT Forum, 19-23 June 2006**

Supported by the European Commission and organised with the support of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), the Euro-Southeast Asia Information & Communication Technologies Forum (EUSEA2006) will take place in Singapore. www.eua.be/eua/jsp/en/client/item_view.jsp?type_id=2&item_id=3097

- **Advanced International Summer School, 8th Session on "Innovation in the Extended Enterprise", 5 - 8 July 2006 Ostuni (BR), Italy**

A three-day conference organised by the eBusiness Management Section of the Scuola Superiore ISUFI is appealing to practitioners, consultants and academics alike, the conference will match theory-driven plenary sessions with discussion and panel sessions. Further information can be found at: www.ebms.it/experience/summer/Summer2006/home.html

- **EAIE Training Courses and Events, April - September 2006**

The European Association for International Education (EAIE) will be organising various training courses between April and July as well as its annual conference in September. All training courses and events are of interest to individuals working in university international relations.

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- **Fourth Pan-Commonwealth Form on Open Learning, Ocho Rios, Jamaica – 30/10/06 – 3/11/06**
The form as the theme 'Achieving Development Goals: Innovation, Learning, Collaboration and Foundations'
Up-to-date information, paper submission and online registration is available on the official website:
www.col.org/pcf4

- **European Forum for Quality Assurance Embedding Quality Culture in Higher Education 23-25 November '06**

The first **European Forum for Quality Assurance**, funded by the Socrates Programme and co-organised by ENQA, ESIB, EUA and EURASHE, will provide an opportunity for the QA and HE communities and stakeholders to discuss internal quality processes in the context of current higher education trends and policy developments. The Forum's major objective is to develop a common understanding of ways to develop further a European dimension for quality assurance.

Call for Papers – deadline, **31 May 2006**. The Forum's major objective is to develop a common understanding of ways to develop further a European dimension for quality assurance. Further information can be found at <http://www.eua.be> or contact Harald.Scheuthle@eua.ie

- **International Conference on Assessing Quality in Higher Education – 11-13 December 2006**
Institute of Quality and Technology Management, University of the Punjab Lahore Pakistan is organising an international Conference, which will be sponsored by Higher Education Commission of Pakistan, Asia-Pacific Quality Network, Punjab University and University of Management and Technology. For further details please visit www.icaghe2007.org.pk
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Items of Interest

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- **Opportunities for Europe-wide Collaboration with ESF: Calls for Proposals**
The European Science Foundation (ESF) has published a Call for Proposals for collaborative activities in 2006. The European research community is therefore now invited to submit proposals for selected ESF projects and the deadlines for submission are between May and November 2006.
www.eua.be/eua/jsp/en/client/item_view.jsp?type_id=2&item_id=3099

 - **New @LIS Projects in the Field of eLearning**
The European Commission's Alliance for the Information Society (@LIS) would like to disseminate information on its eLearning projects which aim, through information technology, to reinforce research networks and communities between the European Union and Latin America.
www.eua.be/eua/jsp/en/client/item_view.jsp?type_id=2&item_id=3100

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 - The Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education have published their Higher Quality No. 20 on their website.
www.qaa.ac.uk/news/higherquality/hq20/ Printed copies will be available soon.

 - **APQN** are advertising new Non-APQN events. Further information is available at
www.apqn.org/events/non_apqn/

 - The Mexican Senate has passed legislation that would require all Mexican universities to undergo external evaluations or lose their operating licences. The bill, which is awaiting approval in the lower house of the National Congress, would overhaul a 37-year-old governing higher education, and would for the first time make accreditation mandatory for all college-level programmes.

The bill is a response to growing concerns over the proliferation of 'junk universities,' which critics say make up a majority of the more than 1,800 private universities. The bill's sponsors cited 'the proliferation of institutions that do not comply with the standards of the students or society.'

 - The latest issue of the GUNI Newsletter, Issue 10, February 23 is available at:
www.guni-rmies.net/newsletter/history.php

 - **Connections** – Newsletter from the Commonwealth of Learning, February 2006 issue, is available at
<http://www.col.org/news/connections/index.htm>
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