Diversification of INQAAHE
Funding Model

Global network of quality assurance agencies in higher education
INQAAHE offers members many services, including a Journal, a bulletin, a query service, a good practice database, funding for projects and tuition support for a professional qualification in quality assurance (QA). There are also conferences or fora annually.

This is a summary of the funding scheme agreed to by the Board for review, discussion and possible re-allocation or re-classification:

1- INQAAHE will fund research and innovation proposals. An amount of US$2,500 may be allocated per each approved proposal, allowing INQAAHE to fund a minimum of two (2) proposals per year (US$5,000 in total). Funding is transferred against receipt of the final paper. An annual call for proposals, in which a number of topics is specified, will be distributed. Proposal submission is open to all INQAAHE members and affiliates.

2- INQAAHE will fund scholarships for graduate certificate in QA. Each year, a total of two (2) scholarships may be granted to support candidates from LDC/LIC (less-developed countries/low-income countries). An amount of US$5,000 is allocated and paid directly to the candidate according to the following schedule: 30% is paid at the time of enrolment with the remaining balance of 70% paid against completion of the QA Graduate Programme.

3- INQAAHE will provide special funding to attend the biennial conference/forum. Each applicant request is reviewed by the Board of Directors. INQAAHE provides up to US$15,000 in total. Applicants can receive up to US$2,500 per person.

4- INQAAHE will fund new projects and initiatives. The budget for new projects and initiatives will be capped at US$30,000 per year. This budget also funds capacity-building proposals including consultancy, training and workshops that are designed to enhance quality assurance systems. Available funding is set at US$10,000 for each project and/or initiative and open to all INQAAHE members.

**INQAAHE will concentrate more on the following:**

a) Execute activities related to INQAAHE core business and their current funding scheme, (mentioned above) and promoting more for these activities.

b) To organize outreach programmes that advance understanding of QA for higher education. Participation could be free-of-charge for organisations located in LDC/LIC.
c) Seek more INQAAHE representation and participation at high-profile global education quality assurance events and expand the brand presence/recognition of the INQAAHE network.

d) Promote education awareness and campaigns for quality assurance outside INQAAHE network.

e) Offer sponsorship opportunities at INQAAHE annual events, open to member and non-member organisations of the network.

The following can be done in order to increase income:

a) Encourage member agencies to undergo a review against the GGP. This could be done starting with the board members’ organisations to apply for the GGP, and, for those who have already achieved it, to apply for renewal once the five (5) years elapsed.

b) Convert the GGP to a more formal recognition process (i.e., accreditation or certification), as most countries give great recognition to such formalised processes.

c) Provide consultation services to members and non-members.

d) Organise regular workshops in the different parts of the world represented in the board; to start with, to plan around six (6) workshops (should be suggested by the board members for their region as they see the appropriate topic for the stage they are in in QA). In addition to the workshops’ topics, time, place and fees should be presented in a full proposal by the board member representing the region. Alternatively, the outreach committee (or other relevant committee) could suggest certain topics and the board member choose the best one for his/her region and communicate with the QA agency or HE provider, where appropriate, to arrange for it.

e) As we are opening the doors for partnerships in Regional conferences, we could agree to have our workshops carried before or after the event and put the fees we see suitable.

Thank you