

Accreditation and External Evaluation of HE Institutions in Serbia

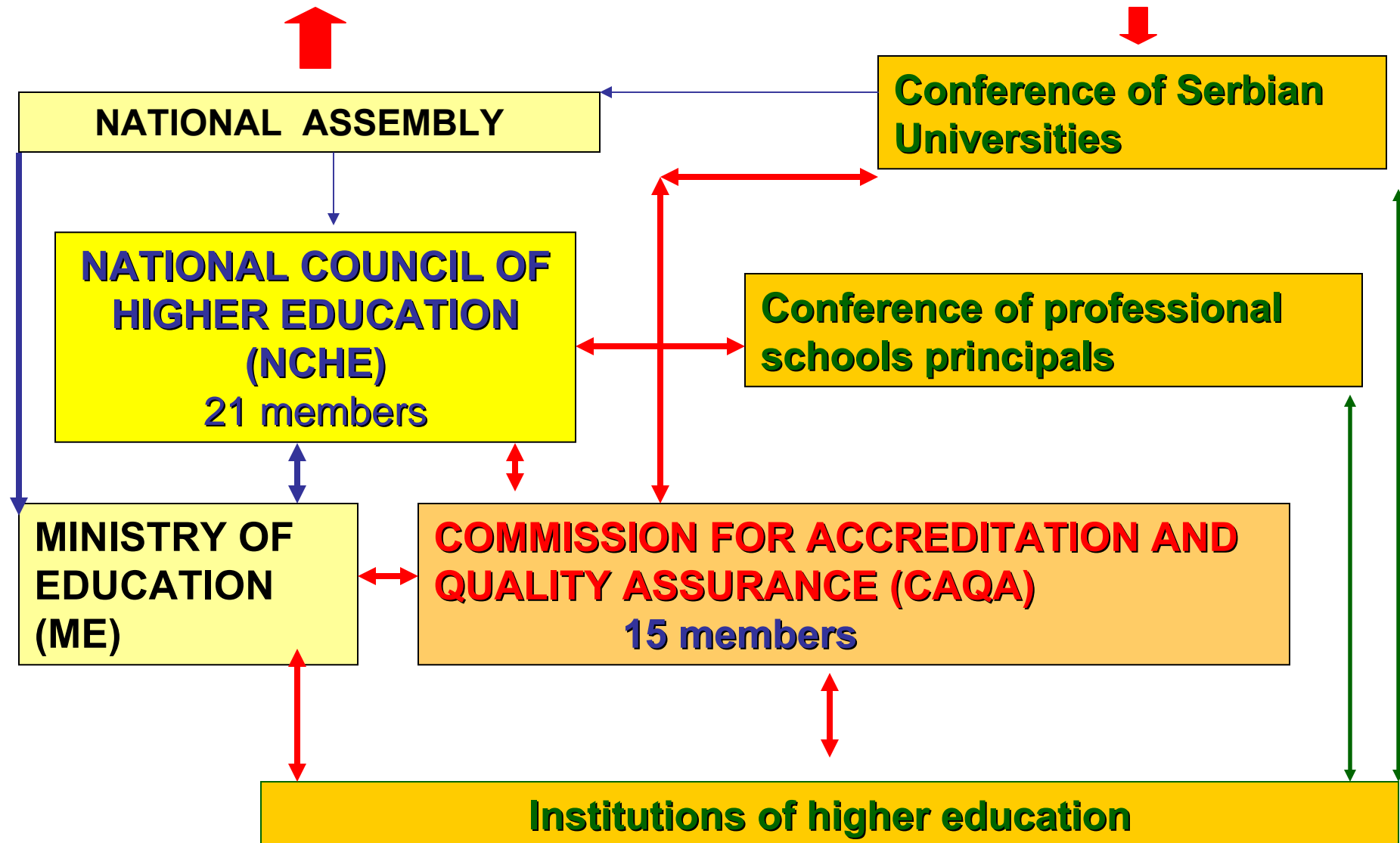
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System of Quality Assurance in Serbia

The Law on Higher Education (2005, 2010)



System of Quality Assurance in Serbia

According to the Law, quality assurance is based on:

- **standards for self-assessment of institutions,**
- **standards for external quality assessment of institutions,**
- **standards for accreditation of the higher education institutions and study programs.**

Proposed by CAQA, approved by NCHE in October 2006.

HEIs: - Self-assessment (3 years)

CAQA: - Accreditation of HEIs and study programs (5 years)
- External quality assessment of HEIs (5 years, between two accreditations)

NCHE: - Decides upon appeals on negative decisions in the accreditation procedure
- Gives a grade of fulfillment of HE institution's quality assurance obligations on the basis of CAQA's report

The Accreditation Procedure

Institution submits the accreditation request supported by the data and documents

CAQA forms a sub-commission (**1 student**)

CAQA designates two reviewers for the institution and each study program (800 referees)

The sub-commission visits the institution- report

The reviewers submit reports to the sub-commission

The sub-commission makes a draft report and presents it to CAQA

CAQA makes the accreditation decision

postpones the decision and gives an act of warning to the institution

accepts the accreditation request and grants the Accreditation Certificate

rejects the accreditation

operating licenses (ME)

appeal to the National Council of Higher Education

Accreditation Results 2007-2010:

Schools for higher education

- **Accredited:** 65 schools for higher professional education (SHPE) with 314 study programs (225 OSS+ 89 SSS) for 20.578 students in the first year
5 schools for higher academic education (SHAE) with 15 study programs (7 OAS+ 6 DAS + 1 SAS+ 1 SSS) for 1112 students
- **Rejected:** 13 SHPE and 94 programs OSS and SSS
1 program OAS on SHAE
- **Act of Warning:** 22 programs OSS and SSS on SHPE
1 SHAE and 8 programs OAS, DAS, SAS
- **In process:** 19 programs OSS and SSS on SHPE

Accreditation Results 2007-2010

Universities

Accredited: 13 universities (8 state, 5 private)
112 faculties with 1182 study programs
for 63.727 students (84% state, 16% private)
1182=468 OAS+446 DAS+200 DS+28 IAS+40 SAS/SSS

Rejected: 5 faculties and 56 programs

Act of Warning: 7 faculties and 121 programs

In process: 5 private universities, 4 faculties, 80 programs

CAQA activities 2011-2012

External Quality Assessment of HE Institutions

2011: Schools for Higher Education

2012: Universities

- **Accreditation of new HE Institutions and study programs**
- **Application for full ENQA membership**
(as of September 22, 2010 CAQA is ENQA Candidate Member)

The External Quality Assessment Procedure

Institution submits the self-evaluation report supported by the data and documents

CAQA forms a sub-commission (**1 student**)

CAQA designates two reviewers for the institution (800 referees)

The sub-commission visits the institution- report

The reviewers submit reports to the sub-commission

The sub-commission makes a draft report and presents it to CAQA

CAQA
accepts the report on external QA

CAQA sends the report to the HE institution and to NCHE, which gives a grade of fulfillment of HE institution's quality assurance obligations

Training of Referees

CAQA held **20** seminars for training of referees for accreditation process

Result: a pool of **800** trained referees for accreditation reports (about **2000** reports in the accreditation phase)

WUS and **CAQA** organize this seminar as the first seminar for training of referees for external quality assesment (about **200** reports in the external QA phase)

Training of Students

WUS and **CAQA** held 1 seminar in October 2010 for training of students for accreditation process

Result: a pool of 50 trained students nominated by SKONUS for accreditation process (about **200 institutional** reports in the accreditation phase)

WUS and **CAQA** will organize one seminar in June 2011 for training of students for external quality assesment (about **200** reports in the external QA phase)