"Spotlight on recognition" focus group I: Which differences are really substantial?

19 OCTOBER 2021, 10.00-16.00 CET, ONLINE

Programme

- 10.00-10.15 Welcome and introductions
- 10.15-11.00 Presentations on recent work on the topic of substantial differences, incl. Q&A with the audience
 - Dag Hovdhaugen, Director of Department for Foreign Education, Norwegian Agency for Quality Assurance in Education (NOKUT): Substantial differences in the Global Recognition Convention
 - Chiara Finocchietti, Deputy Director, CIMEA: Substantial differences: A glimpse of theory, practice and guidelines
- 11.00-12.00 Discussion based on preparatory task

Participants will be invited to share and discuss how their institutions define substantial differences and approach the topic in practice.

- 12.00-13.00 Lunch break
- 13.00-13.20 Presentation of "Spotlight on recognition" self-assessment methodology and introduction to breakout groups

During this agenda item, participants also have an opportunity to ask more general questions about the methodology, before breaking up into smaller groups and discussing the questionnaire in detail.

- 13.20-14.15 Discussion in breakout groups (first round)
- 14.15-14.30 Break
- 14.30-15.15 Discussion in breakout groups (second round)
- 15.15-15.30 Reporting back from the breakout groups

Volunteering participants will be asked to briefly summarise the feedback on the selfassessment methodology provided in the breakout groups.





15.30-16.00 Common discussion of outcomes and conclusions

The event will be facilitated by members of the "Spotlight on recognition" project consortium:

- María Blanco-Palencia, Head of International Engagement, Spanish Rectors' Conference (Crue)
- Helene Peterbauer, Policy Analyst, European University Association (EUA)
- Christian Tauch, Deputy Secretary-General, German Rectors' Conference (HRK)
- Bas Wegewijs, Team Leader International Recognition, Nuffic



