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Sent via e-mail

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Re: Accreditation Decision

Dear Michael and Barbara,

the ECTE Accreditation Commission (AC) in its session on January 24, 2023, deliberated on the final Review Report submitted by the Review Secretary after the on-site visit in May 2022.

The ECTE AC **granted** <u>institutional accreditation</u> to IGW International as an Alternative Provider of higher education without requirements pertaining to its German and Swiss branches. This decision applies retroactively to September 13, 2022 (initial discussion on the AC). It is made with the understanding that there are no extension sites or study centres in Austria, even though there is a public presence/website. The Austrian Branch of IGW-International is thus not part of this decision and cannot claim institutional accreditation by ECTE.

The institutional accreditation is valid for five years until September 12, 2027. Preparations for programme accreditation are underway with a site visit scheduled for May 31 through June 2, 2023.

Within a few days the update will be made in the <u>ECTE directory</u> on the website with institutional information for both the German and the Swiss branch of IGW International. Please refer to the "<u>Understanding the Directory</u>" section that explains comparability, etc.

Please make sure in any public information that ECTE is not portrayed as a substitute for national recognition, nor should this be implied in your wording. ECTE does not confer degrees nor is it authorized to grant this right to any institution. The respective institution is responsible for its degree nomenclature based on national regulations.

Please do not hesitate to contact me as questions arise. I look forward to hearing from you.

Serving Him with you,

Carmen Crouse

Accreditation Director