

## Decision on the Substantive Change Report by Estonian Quality Agency for Education (HAKA)

Register Committee

Ref. RC/C111

Ver. 1.0

Date 2024-03-01

Page 1 / 1

### Decision of:

Result: Take note

Report received on: 2024-02-06

Agency registered since: 2013-03-01

Last external review  
report: 2023-02-17

Registration until: 2028-02-29

Absented themselves  
from decision-making: n/a

Attachments: 1. [Substantive Change Report, 2024-02-06](#)

1. The Register Committee considered the Substantive Change Report of 2024-02-06.
2. The Register Committee understood that the reported change concerns converting the status of an external quality assurance activity from obligatory to voluntary.
3. The Committee noted that *"Quality assessment of study programme group in the first and second cycles of higher education"* is no longer a part of the obligatory QA system since the last completed application in 2023, due to a change in the national legislation.
4. Based on the detailed information provided in the Substantive Change Report, the Register Committee had no concerns that ESG are complied with in the case of changing the status of the activity.

## EQAR Substantive Change Report

Agency #1	Estonian Quality Agency for Education
Agency acronym	HAKA
Expiry date #1	29/02/2028
Contact #1	Karin Laansoo
Phone #1	+3725055441
Email #1	<a href="mailto:karin.laansoo@harno.ee">karin.laansoo@harno.ee</a>
Other organisations?	No
A. Has the organisational identity of the registered agency changed?	No
B. Has the organisational structure changed?	No
C. Changes in EQA activities	3. One or several existing activities were discontinued
3. Discontinued EQA activity	
1	Quality assessment of study programme groups in the first and second cycles of higher education is no longer part of the obligatory QA system
Context	<p>This type of assessment was part of the compulsory system for all Estonian HEIs until changes in legislation were introduced in 2019. Until 2023 there were some HEIs to whom the obligation still applied but the last one successfully passed the assessment in 2023. We are not discontinuing this assessment type altogether, but it no longer constitutes a part of the obligatory system, one can undergo it voluntarily.</p>
D. Activity outside the scope of the ESG	No
Submit form?	I am ready to submit the change report form