

Substantive Change Report
by European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education
(EAEVE)

Register Committee

Ref. RC30/C60

Ver. 1.0

Date 2021-07-02

Page 1 / 1

Decision of: 02/07/2021

Report received on: 05/05/2021

Agency registered since: 01/04/2018

Last external review report: 19/04/2018

Registration until: 30/04/2023

Absented themselves from
decision-making:

Attachments: 1. [Substantive Change Report \(05/03/2021\)](#)

1. The Register Committee considered the Substantive Change Report of 05/05/2021.
2. EAEVE was considered to be partially compliant with ESG 2.6 in the previous review due to lack of publication of reports of the (part of) activity "Pre-eliminary visitation" (formerly "Consultation visitation")
3. The Register Committee welcomed EAEVE decision to make all reports public. The Committee expects that the practical implications of the new regulations will be analysed in full as part of EAEVE next renewal of registration. Additionally, the Committee expects that the implementation of the new standards and procedures introduced in 2019 are addressed in the next external review.

**European Association of Establishments for
Veterinary Education**



European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR)

Aarlenstraat 22 Rue d'Arlon
1050 Brussels
Belgium

5th May 2021, Vienna

Dear Director Colin Tück,

On behalf of the Executive Committee of EAEVE, I hereby address some changes that have been implemented in the European System of Evaluation of Veterinary Training (ESEVT).

The purpose for amending the ESEVT SOP 2019 was to conform to the new version of EQAR [Use and Interpretation of the ESG](#).

On 3rd December 2020, the EAEVE General Assembly endorsed the replacement of 'Consultative Visitation' by '**Preliminary Visitation**'. Before the suggestion for amendment of the SOP 2019 was put for vote, all relevant stakeholders were involved in the process, in line with ESG 2.2.

The **Preliminary Visitation** is a prerequisite for granting membership in EAEVE. The Preliminary Visitation is integrated with a Full Visitation which must be completed within a 3-year period after the completion of the Preliminary Visitation for all candidate Establishments seeking membership of EAEVE. The Preliminary Visitation is devoted solely to new Establishments in Europe and Establishments from outside Europe, which are not aware of the ESG and the SOP requirements and should benefit from a two-step evaluation. The primary objective of a Preliminary Visitation is to evaluate if the Establishment is fully aware of the ESEVT SOP in general and the accreditation standards in particular and if there is an ongoing process in place to achieve compliance with these standards. This Preliminary Visitation process should ensure that the Establishment is sufficiently informed, prepared and equipped for undergoing a Full Visitation within the 3-year period. The secondary objective of a Preliminary Visitation is to contribute to improving the quality of education provided by the Establishment.

The Preliminary Visitation must be planned at the earliest 12 months before the graduation date of the first cohort of students. Not less than 12 months before the intended Preliminary Visitation, the Establishment must contact the EAEVE Office to ask for a Preliminary Visitation.

The Visitation Team is composed of one Visitor with a high level of expertise (designated as the Chairperson of the Preliminary Visitation) and one Coordinator; both must fulfil the criteria specified in point 1.2 of the ESEVT SOP.

The Preliminary Visitation Report must be completed in agreement with the template and guidelines provided in Annex 13 of the ESEVT SOP. The final draft Preliminary Visitation Report is analysed by ECOVE. In exceptional cases, ECOVE may decide that a Full Visitation cannot be requested by the Establishment, because the Preliminary Visitation Report clearly demonstrates the impossibility of the Establishment to be ready for a Full Visitation within the 3-year period. In such a case, the Establishment may re-apply for a Preliminary Visitation three years after the first one at the earliest. The Final Preliminary Visitation Report is formally issued by ECOVE, communicated to the Establishment's Head and to the Visitation Team, and is made publicly available on the Establishment's and EAEVE's website.

Please find the [ESEVT SOP 2019 as amended in December 2020](#) published on the EAEVE website and attached to my letter.

If you have any queries regarding the ESEVT SOP 2019 as amended in December 2020, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,



Dr. Stéphane Martinot
President of EAEVE