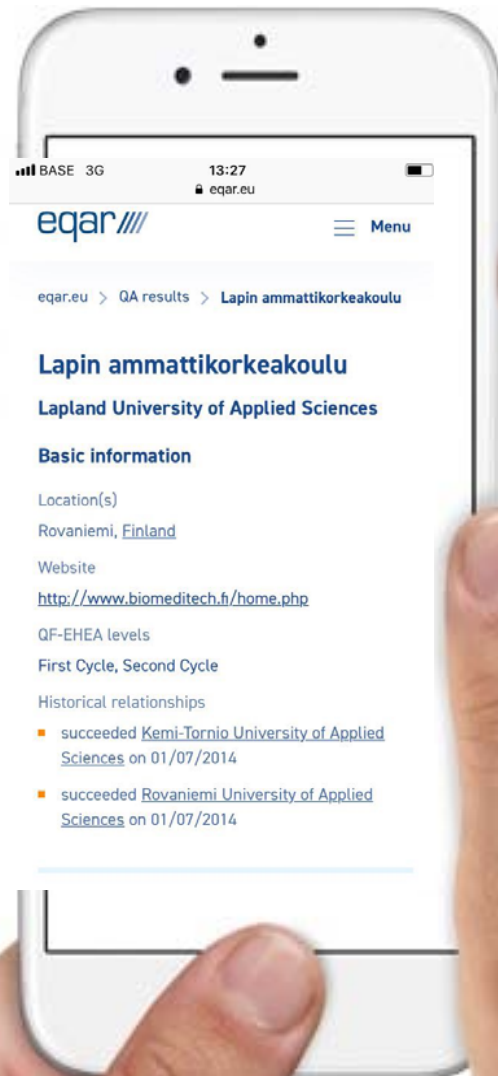


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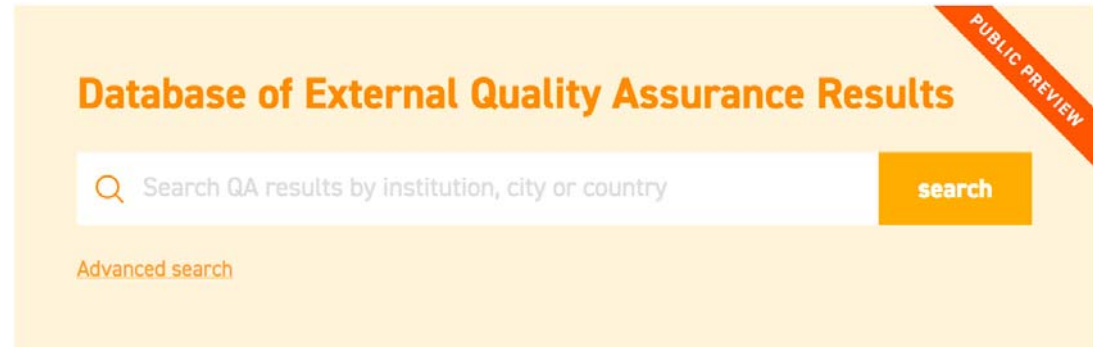
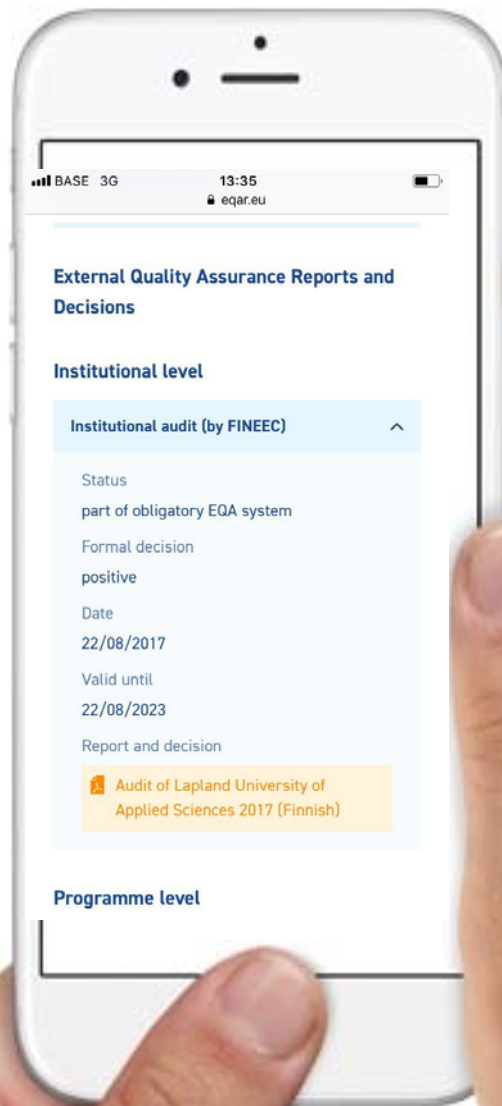
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Aims, objectives
and design
principles

Project aims

Mission:

To collect all external quality assurance reports and decisions performed by EQAR-registered agencies in line with the ESG in order to make these available to various user groups.

Objectives:

- 1) Improve access to information on the external quality assurance of higher education
- 2) Facilitate the recognition of qualifications
- 3) Map the diversity of external quality assurance frameworks in Europe
- 4) Facilitate the exchange of data and links with other tools
- 5) Pilot the use of the database as a basis for Europe-wide thematic studies

Design principles

Structure:

- **Lean approach:** only what is needed and readily available
- **Standardised but reflecting varied structure of external QA:** institutional level as starting point, programmes not feasible for all

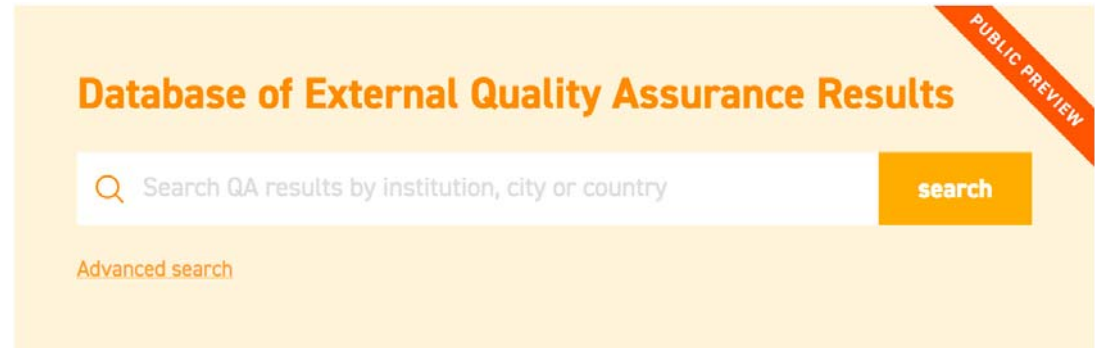
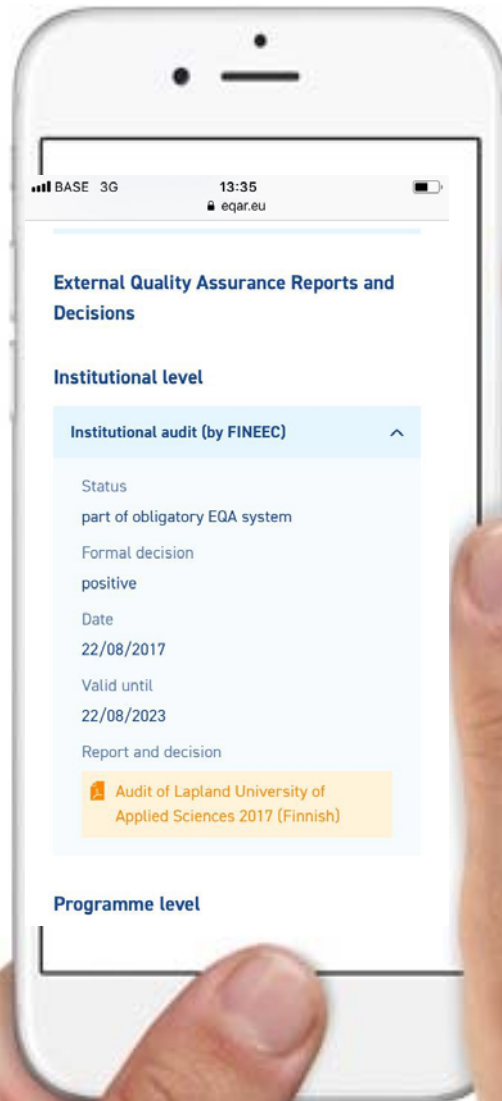
Scope:

- **Comprehensive and up-to-date:** includes all currently valid reports/reviews within the scope of the ESG
- **Accessible and understandable:** use of English; contextual information provided to clarify the status of reports and activities

Access:

- **Low entry barrier for agencies:** possible for all EQAR-registered agencies to feed information into the database; all methods/code made public
- **Free and open access to public:** no fees or restrictions on use; data also available as “open data” through data dump or public search API

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What's in it for you?

What's in it for you?

Institutions/programmes

Identify whether a higher education institution or its programmes were subject to external QA in line with the ESG

QA reports

Gain direct access to information and reports on external QA procedures

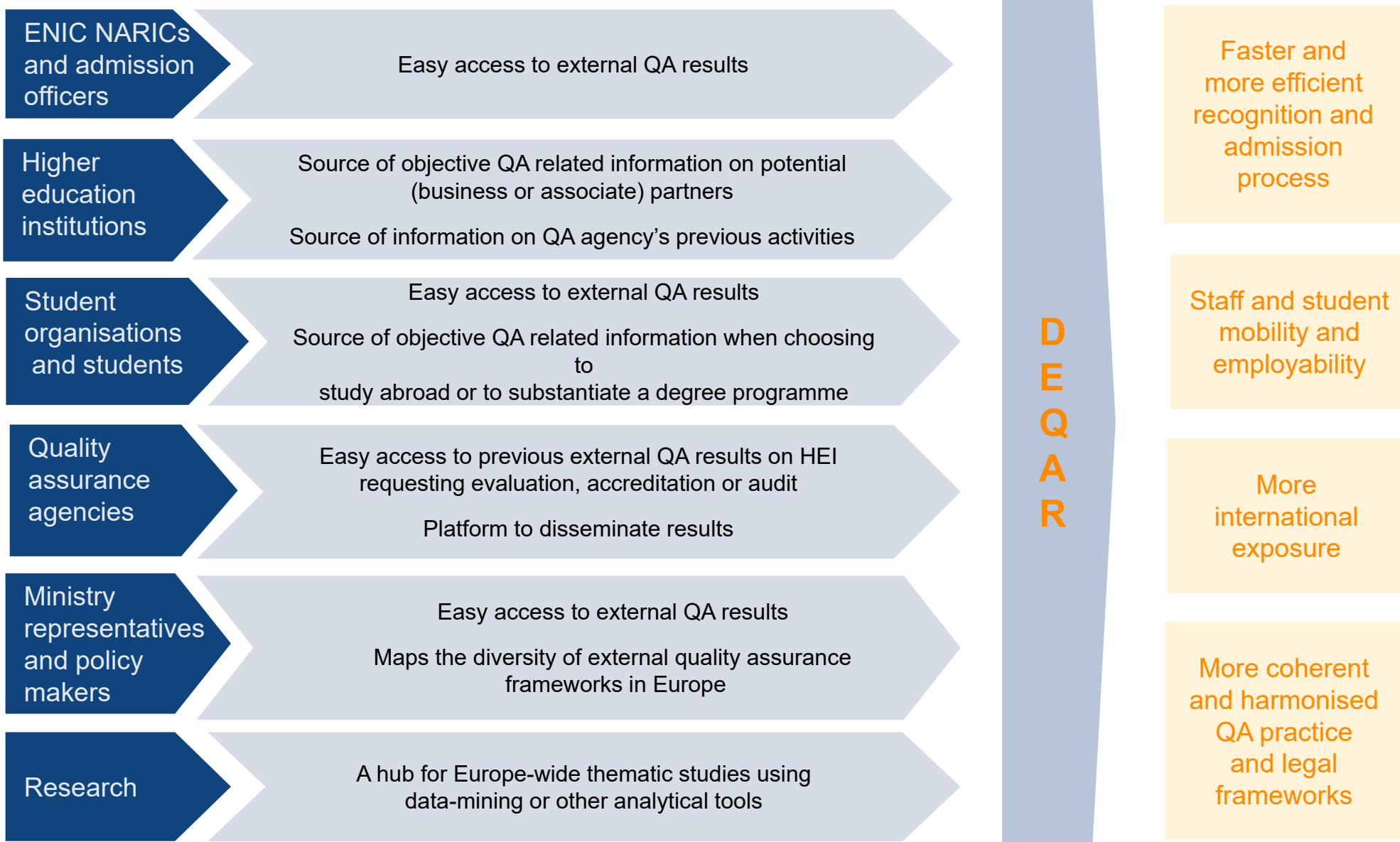
Countries

Find clear and reliable information on European national quality assurance procedures

Agencies (EQAR)

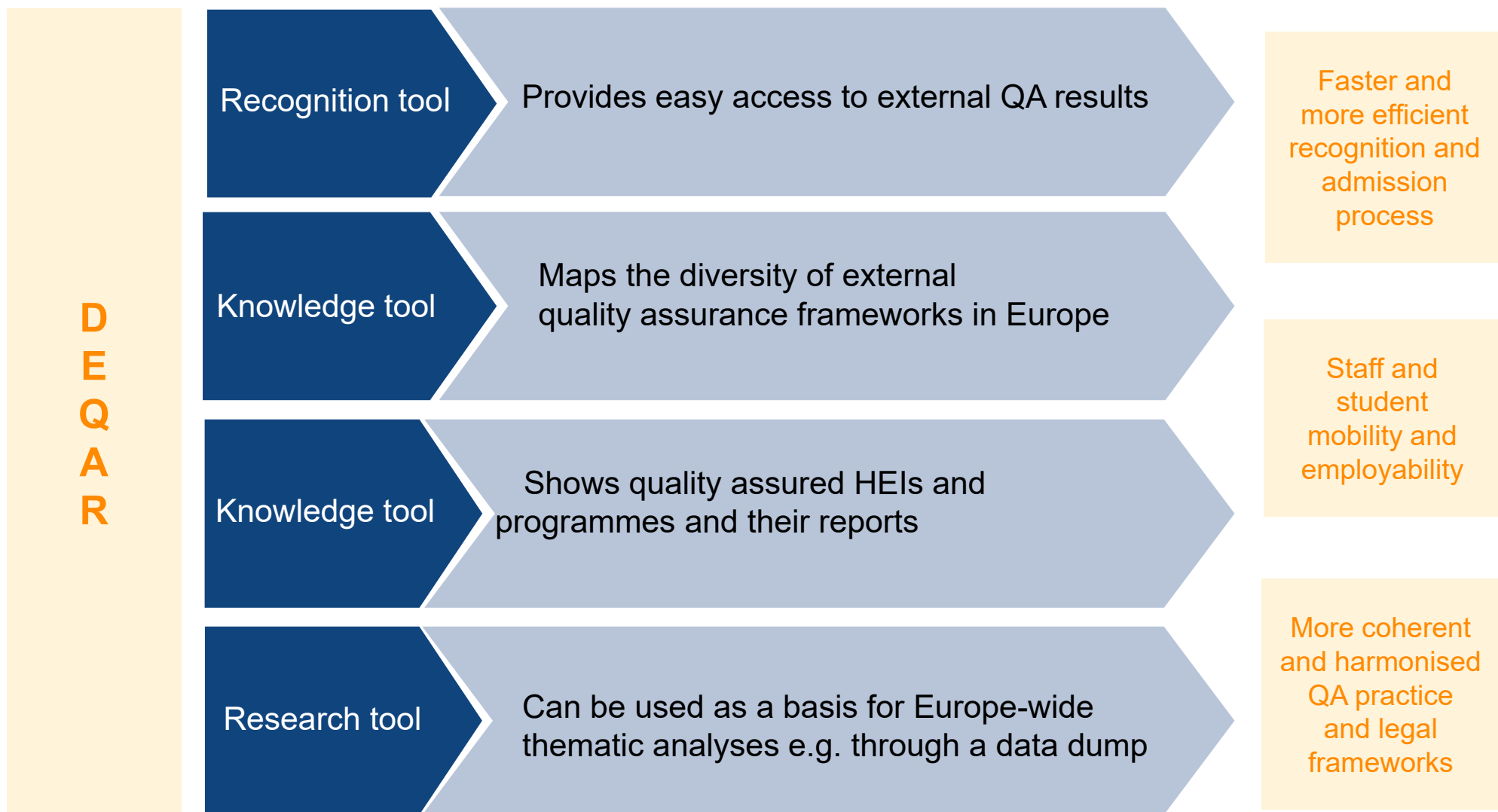
Access detailed information on quality assurance activities in EHEA

What's in it for you?



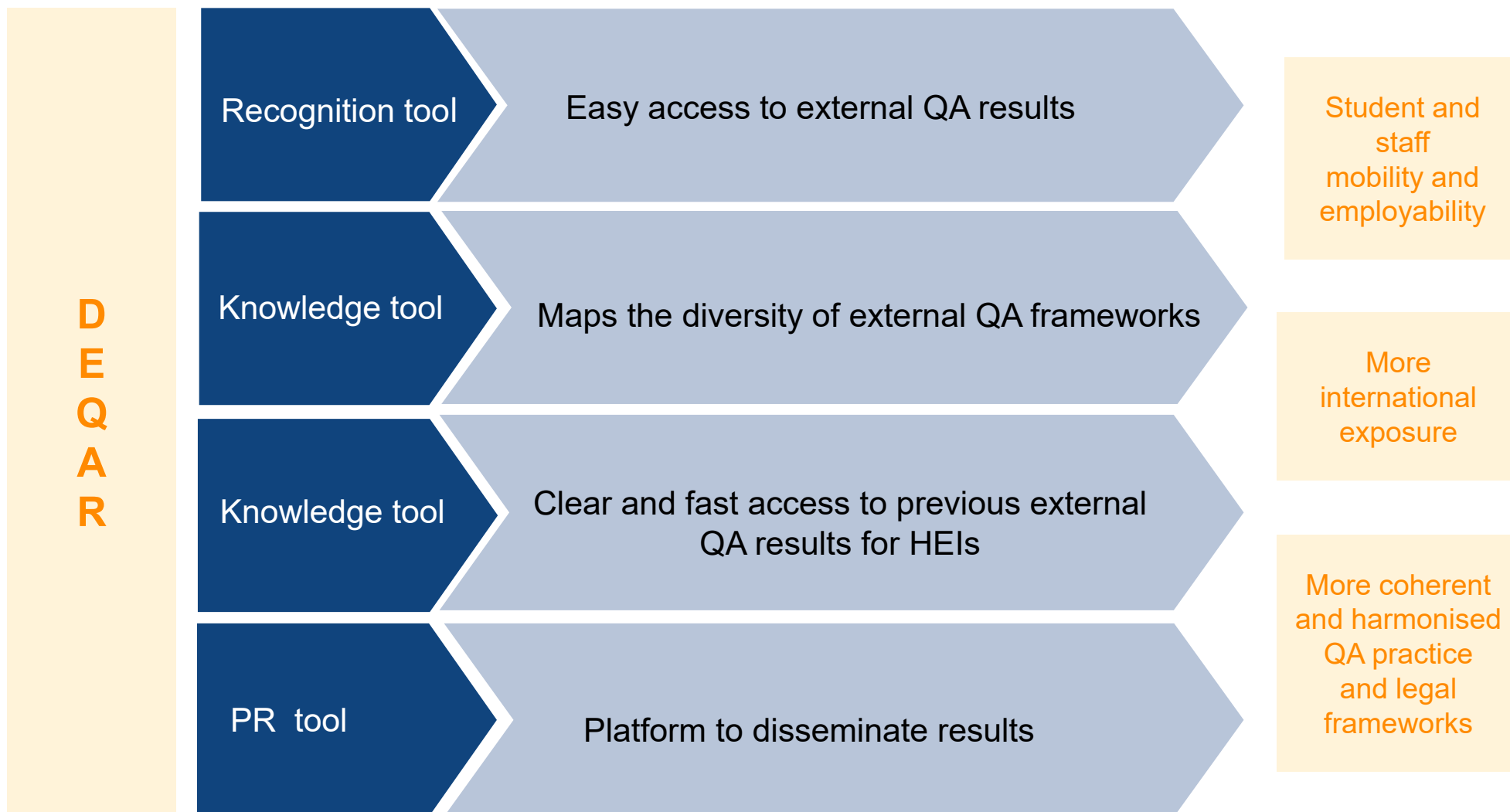
What's in it for you?

Student Organisation Representatives and Students and Researchers



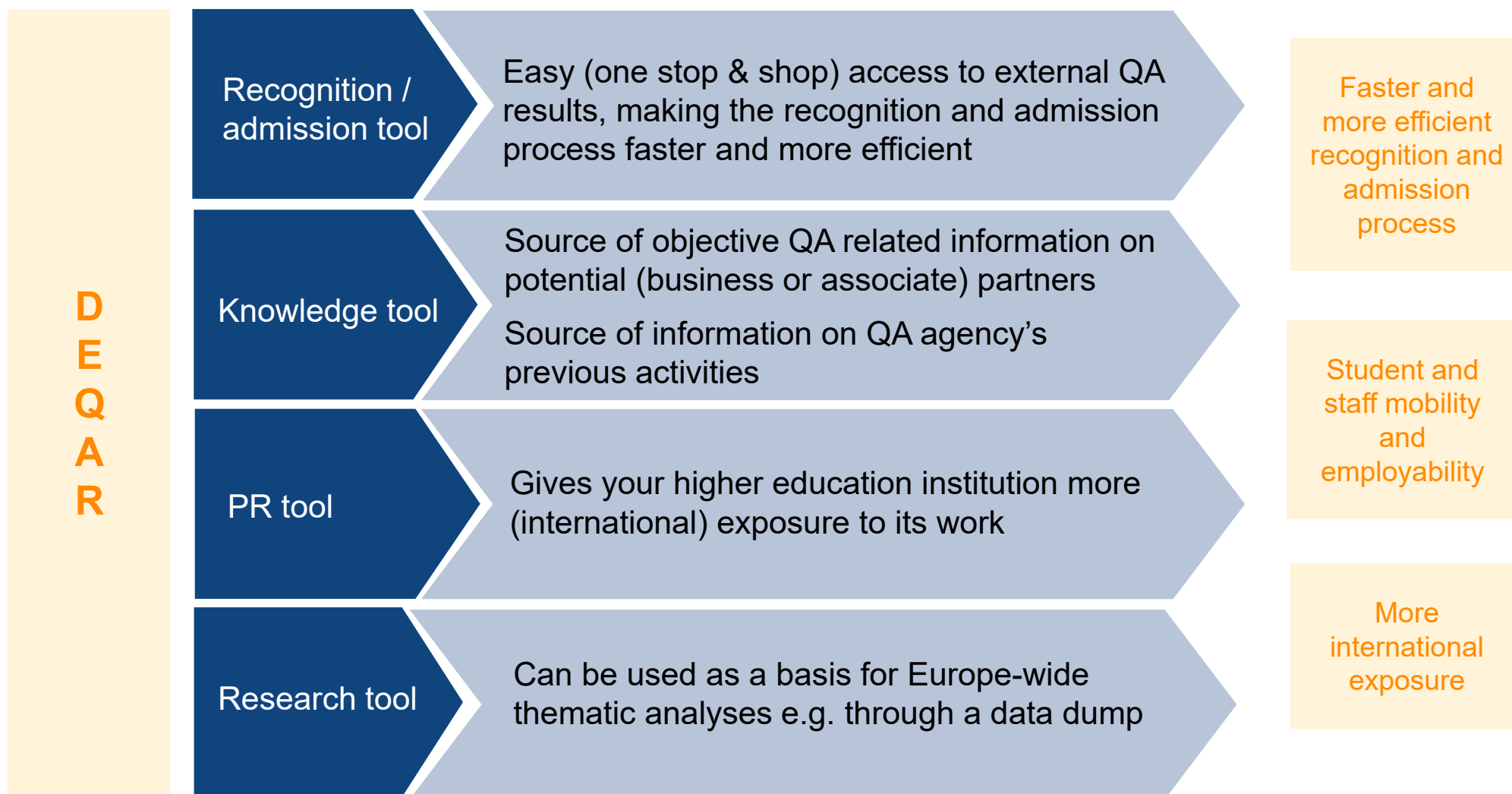
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Ministries and Quality Assurance Agencies

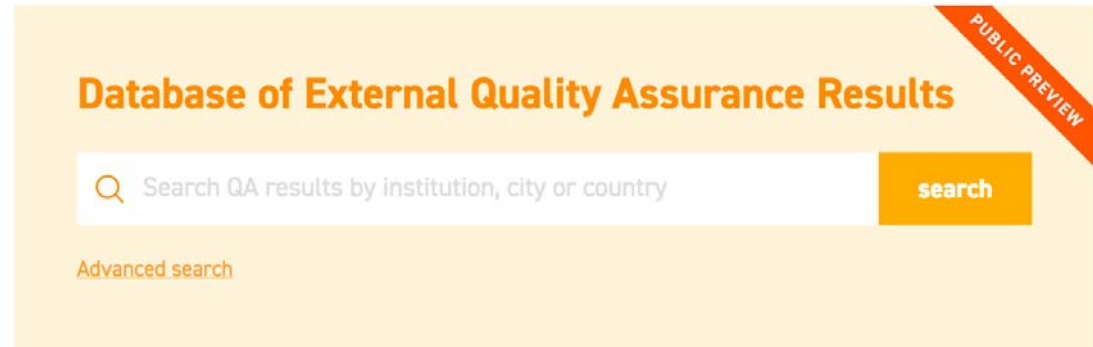
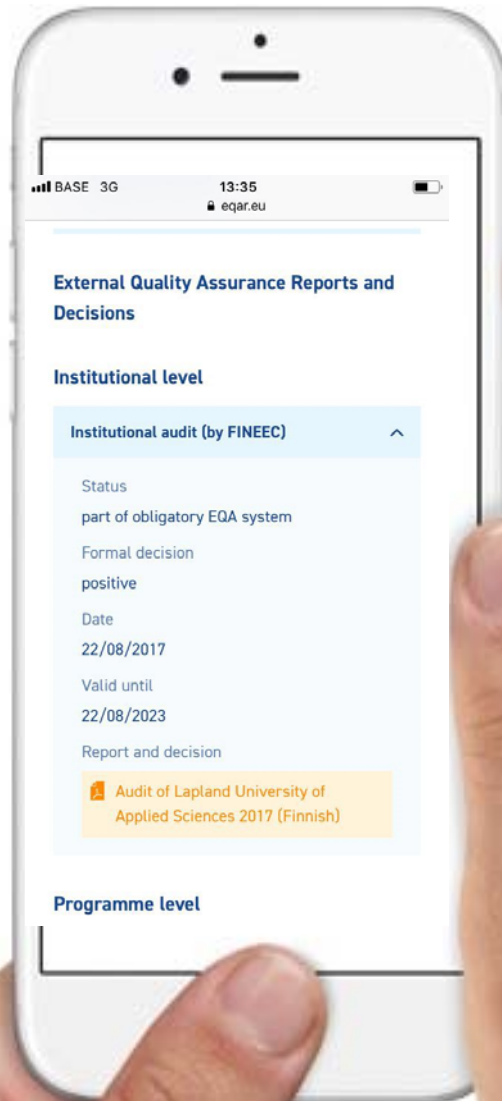


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Higher Educations Institutions

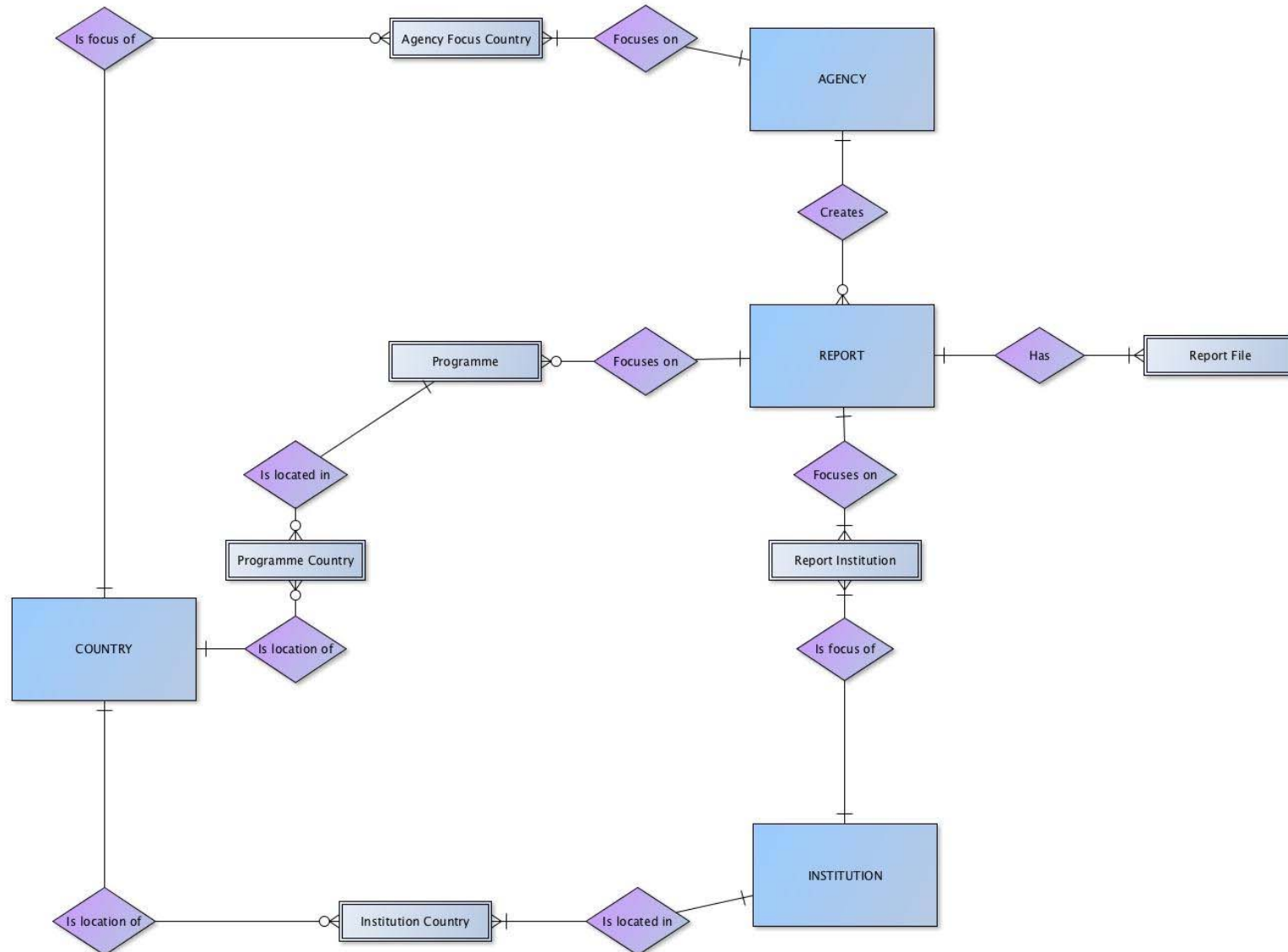


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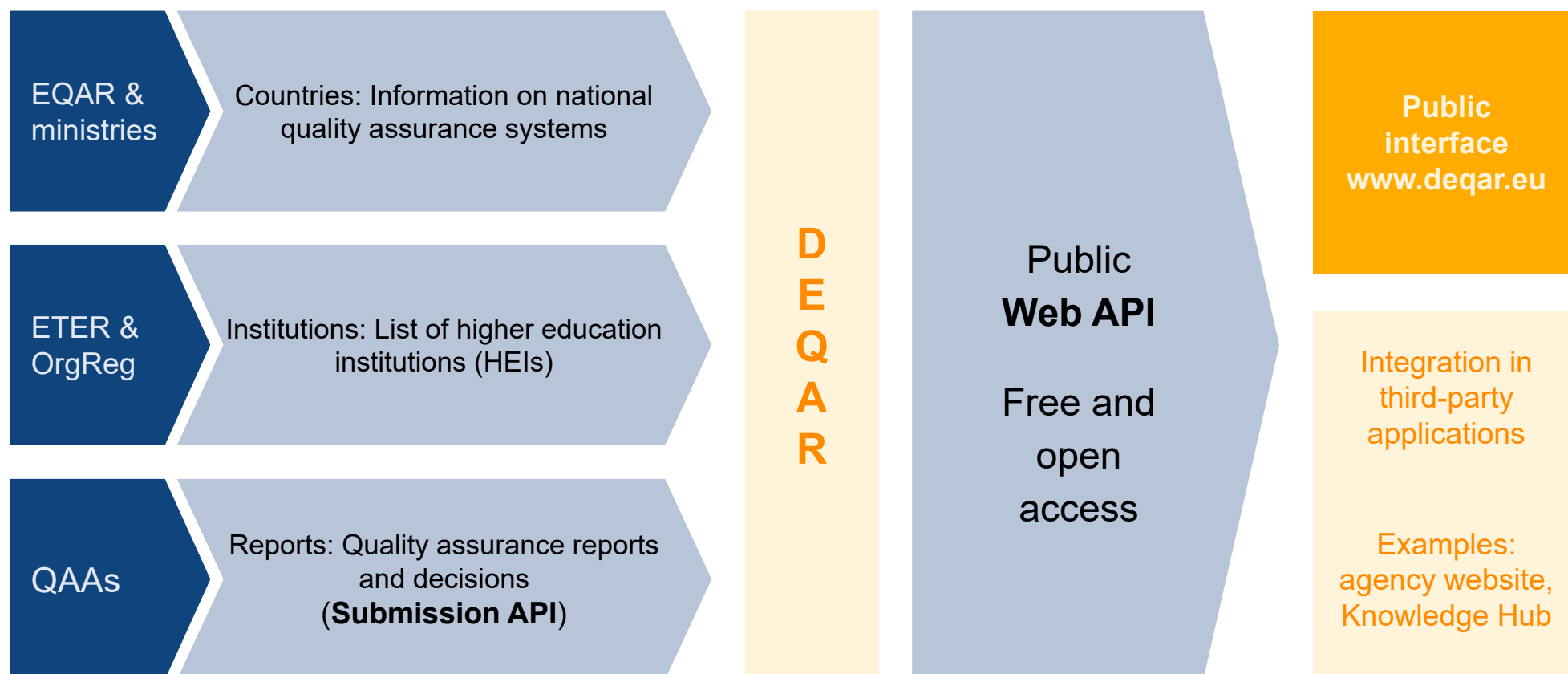


Data

Data structure



Data sourcing and provision



Data submission

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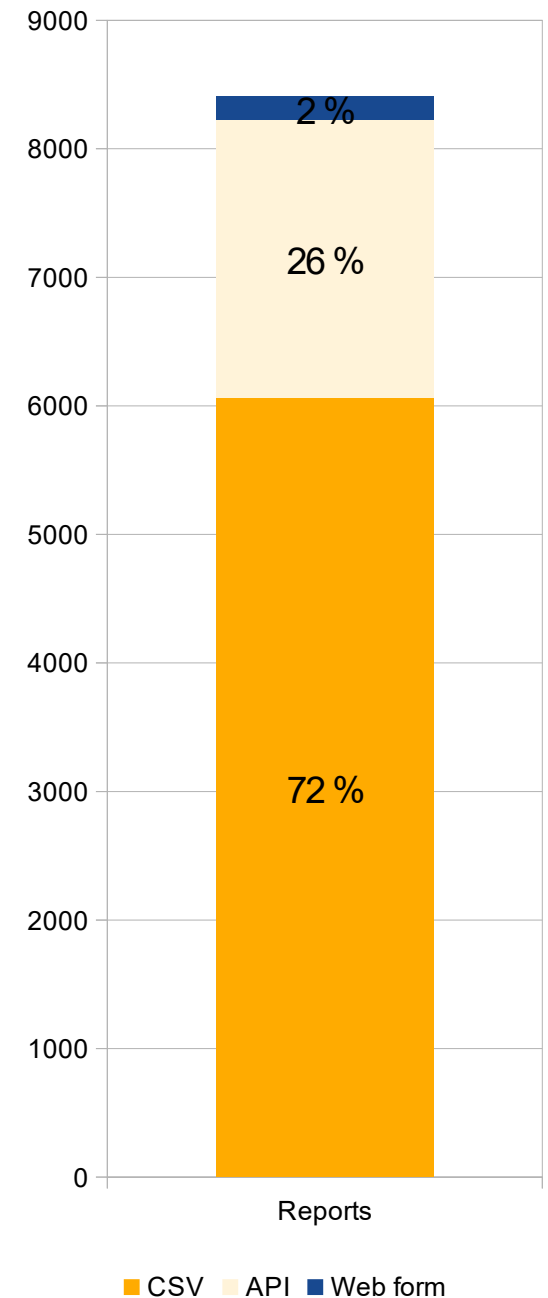
- Agencies without IT developers and/or with a closed system architecture
- Submit small amounts of data occasionally

CSV File Upload (comma-separated values):

- Agencies with or without IT developers and which can export data from agency system
- Work manually on the dataset before submission
- Submit big amount of data in a batch

API (application programming interface):

- Agencies with IT developers and which can create link directly to local system to keep in sync with DEQAR
- Send data automatically in JSON format
- Suitable for large amounts of data



Search and discovery



Browse and search



(by institution name, country, agency)



Historic records

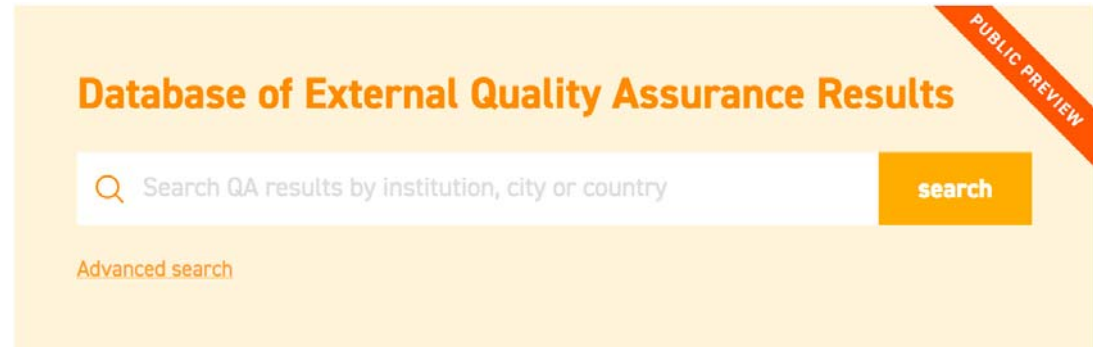
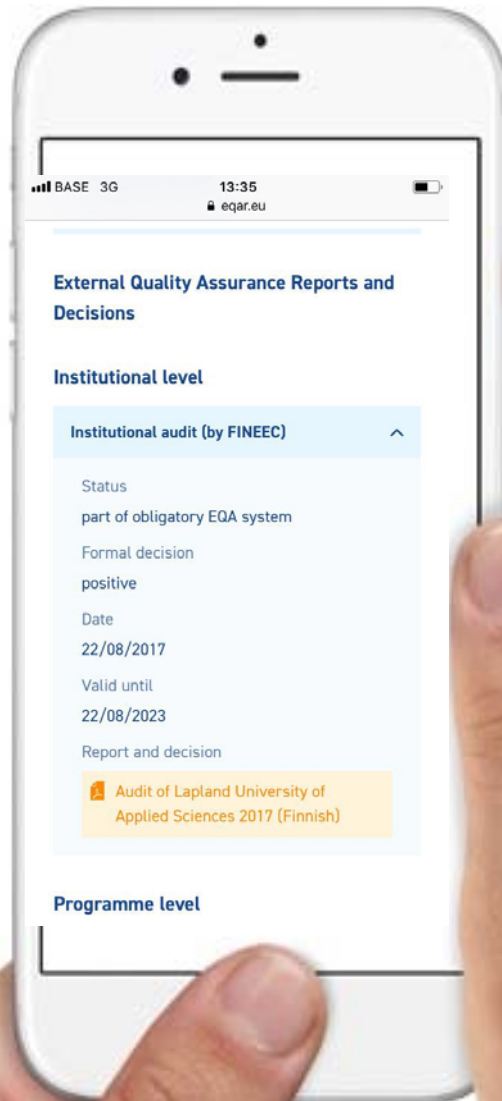


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State of play

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- Public preview launched on **23 May 2018**
- Key figures as of **23 May 2019**:
 - **9737 reports covering 1624 HEIs in 56 countries**
 - 50% of the content expected by October 2019
 - Approximately 100 unique page views/day, accounting for ca. 35% of EQAR site traffic

State of play

25 agencies have submitted reports:

A3ES (PT), AAQ (CH), ACPUA (ES), ACSUCYL (ES), ACSUG (ES), AHPGS (DE), AI (DK), ANQA (AM), AQU (ES), ARACIS (RO), ASHE (HR), ASIIN (DE), BAC (UK), EKKA (ET), evalag (DE), FINEEC (FI), fmid (ES), HCERES (FR), IEP (CH), IQAA (KZ), NCPA (RU), NVAO (BE), PKA (PL), SQAA (SI), UNIBASQ (ES)

Countries with comprehensive coverage (> 50%):

Belgium (Flemish community), Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Luxembourg, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Poland Romania, Slovenia, Spain

COVERAGE

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European Higher Education Area (EHEA)

Armenia 7	Germany 86	North Macedonia 6
Austria 7	Greece 3	Poland 315
Azerbaijan 3	Hungary 3	Portugal 12
Belgium 22	Ireland 1	Romania 88
Bosnia and Herzegovina 1	Italy 1	Russia 26
Bulgaria 2	Kazakhstan 24	Serbia 1
Croatia 116	Latvia 1	Slovenia 44
Cyprus 4	Liechtenstein 1	Spain 450
Czech Republic 4	Lithuania 1	Switzerland 10
Denmark 24	Luxembourg 1	Turkey 8
Estonia 21	Moldova 13	Ukraine 1
Finland 42	Montenegro 9	United Kingdom 14
France 202	Netherlands 1	

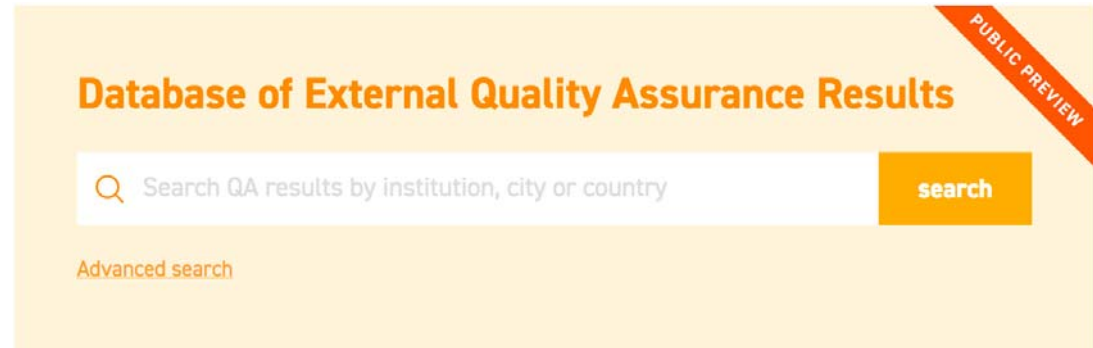
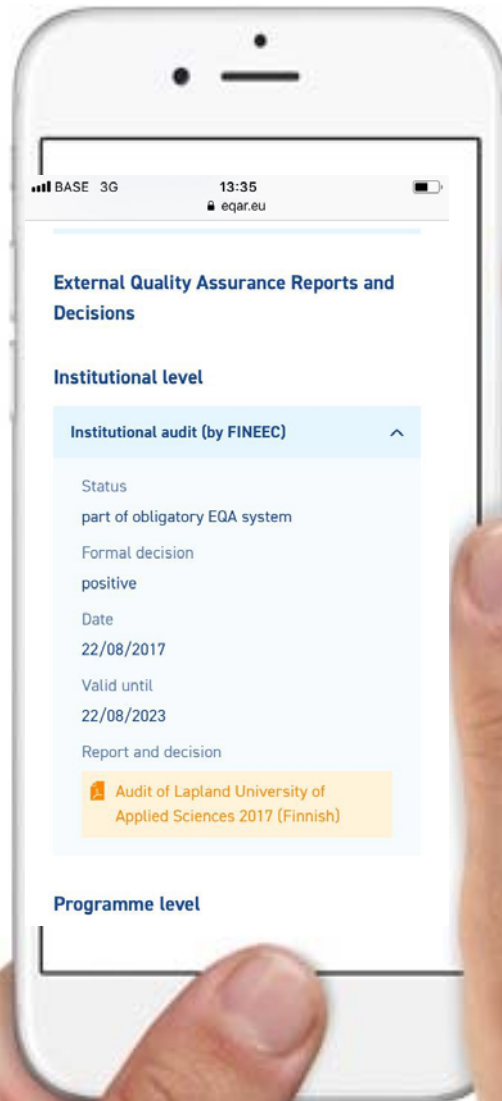
Outside the EHEA

Australia 2	Kyrgyzstan 2	Oman 1
Brazil 1	Lebanon 3	Peru 2
China, People's Republic of 6	Mauritius 1	Qatar 1
Costa Rica 1	Mexico 2	Saudi Arabia 11
Ghana 1	Mongolia 5	South Africa 3
Indonesia 3	Namibia 1	Tunisia 3

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What does it look like?

National QA record

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Poland

EUROPEAN HIGHER EDUCATION AREA - EHEA

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institutions
with reports in
country in DEQAR

Membership in EQAR

Poland has been a Governmental Member of EQAR since February 2008.
Read more: [all Governmental Members of EQAR](#)

General information on higher
education

Higher education is offered by university-type (uczelnia akademicka) and non-university-type (uczelnia zawodowa) institutions. University-type higher education institutions can offer third-cycle degrees, while non-university type may only offer first- and second-cycle degrees.

National QA
requirements

National external quality assurance
requirements

Institutional evaluation was carried out in Poland between 2012-2016. Following the amendments to the Law on Higher Education, institutional evaluations were suspended and changes were made to the programme evaluation criteria for general academic and practice-oriented profile.

■ Programmes evaluations

may result in an outstanding assessment (awarded for 8 years), a positive assessment (6 years), a conditional assessment (a date of follow-up assessment will be given) and a negative assessment.

National QA record

Support for cross border / joint programme QA

European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes

In Poland the European Approach is available to higher education institutions.

Read more: [countries where the European Approach is available to higher education institutions](#)

Other HE information

Further information

- [Regulation of 20 September 2016 on the general criteria for program evaluation](#)
- [Ministry responsible for higher education](#)
- [Poland - European Higher Education Area](#)
- [ENIC NARIC](#)

Registered agencies operating in Poland

Officially operating agencies

- [PKA - Polish Accreditation Committee](#) /// 2009 - [VIEW 79 INSTITUTIONS WITH 304 REPORTS](#)
- [ASIIN - ASIIN e.V.](#) /// 2009 -
- [EAEVE - European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education](#) /// 2018 -
- [IEP - Institutional Evaluation Programme](#) /// 2011 - [VIEW 1 INSTITUTIONS WITH 1 REPORTS](#)
- [MusiQuE - Music Quality Enhancement](#) /// 2016 -
- [EAPAA - European Association for Public Administration Accreditation](#) /// 2014 - 2018

of institutions with reports by agency in country in DEQAR

Historical information on agencies

EQAR registration dates

Institution QA record

Name in English and national language

Euroacademy

Euroakadeemia

Basic information

Location(s)

Tallinn, [Estonia](#)

Website

<http://www.euroakadeemia.ee>

Founding year

1997

QF-EHEA levels

first cycle, second cycle

ETER/OrgReg ID

EE0008

Previous names

■ Euro University (Euroülikool) until 30/06/2009

Link to national QA record

Previous name, or linked historical or hierarchical records

ETER ID for linking up

National QA requirements

National External Quality Assurance Requirements

■ Institutional accreditation

Once in every seven years higher education institutions must undergo institutional accreditation.

■ Quality assessment of study programme groups

Obligatory periodic assessment (every seven years) of all the study programme groups in which a higher education institution has been granted the right to conduct studies.

■ Initial assessment of study programme groups

An educational institution is granted the right to conduct studies by the Government of the Republic of Estonia in a specific study programme group and in a specific academic cycle (professional higher education, bachelor degree studies, master degree studies, doctoral studies). This allows the HEI to issue state-recognised diplomas under all programmes contained in the corresponding study programme group. Before such right is granted, the study programme group must undergo initial assessment, which the Ministry of Education commissions from EKKA.

Link to national QA record

■ [Further information on external quality assurance in Estonia](#)

Institution QA reports






External Quality Assurance Reports and Decisions

Institutional and/or programme reports

Institutional level

View with/without historical reports















show historic reports (1)

  	Institutional accreditation	▼
 	Institutional accreditation	▼

Obligatory (or voluntary) reports

Programme level

show historic reports (2)

 	Arts study programme group, first cycle	▼
 	Business and administration study programme group, first cycle	▼
 	Business and administration study programme group Master's studies, second cycle	▼
  	Environmental protection study programme group, first cycle	▼
  	Environmental protection study programme group, second cycle	▼
 	Languages and cultures study programme group, first cycle	▼

Programme name and cycle

Decision: positive / negative, not applicable

“Historical” reports that are no longer valid

Institution QA reports

Information on programme

   Business and administration study programme group, first cycle 

Level first cycle

Type Quality assessment

Activity undertaken

Agency [EKKA](#)

Link to agency

Status part of obligatory EQA system

Formal decision positive

Date 21/08/2018

Validity dates

Valid until 21/08/2025

Report and decision

Information on external QA activity

Downloadable PDF reports and decisions

 Assessment Decision (English)

 Hindamisotsus (Estonian)

 Assessment Report (English)

   Business and administration study programme group Master's studies, second cycle 

    Environmental protection study programme group, first cycle 

QA agency

Found in register

[eqar.eu](#) > [Register](#) > [Registered agencies](#) > [NVAO](#)

NVAO - Accreditation Organisation of the Netherlands and Flanders

Nederlands-Vlaamse Accreditatieorganisatie

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of reports on institutions in DEQAR by agency

Admission valid until

30/09/2022 (listed since 05/12/2008)

Website

<http://www.nvao.net>

Link to reports on agency website

Reports by the agency

<http://search.nvao.net/home&tab=advanced>

EQAR registration decisions and reports on the agency



21/11/2017 Renewal of Registration



21/11/2017 External Review Report



27/05/2017 Substantive Change Report



03/12/2012 Renewal of Registration



26/11/2008 Admission to the Register

Information on the agency's work

NVAO is the independent and binational accreditation organisation for higher education in the Netherlands and in Flanders (the Flemish Community of Belgium). Its activities include drafting frameworks, deciding on accreditation for existing programmes, coordinating assessments and deciding on initial accreditation, institutional audits, or reviews in the Netherlands and Flanders. NVAO advises the Ministers of Education in both countries or carries out assessments related to quality assurance.

QA agency

Activities undertaken by agency





Activities within the scope of ESG

- Accreditation of joint programmes
- Assessments of special (quality) features for programmes and institutions in the Netherlands and Flanders
- Evaluations on features of programmes
- Initial programme accreditation in Flanders and the Netherlands
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- Institutional audits/reviews in the Netherlands and Flanders
- Programme accreditation in Flanders, the Netherlands and the so called "Caribbean Netherlands"
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- Programme assessment in Curacao, Aruba and St. Maarten

of reports on institutions in DEQAR by agency activity

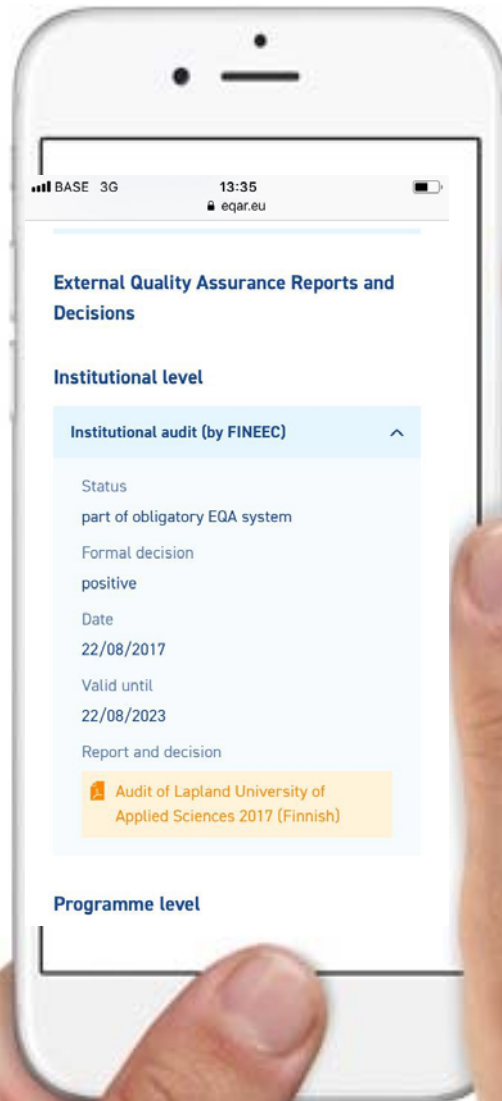
Countries where agency undertook activities

Higher education systems where NVAO carried out external QA activities

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Countries where agency worked officially

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DEQAR testimonials

DEQAR testimonials...

“After discovering the (European) gem that is DEQAR, I immediately spread the word on this very useful tool and its wide-ranging possibilities to my colleagues in my HEI:

- international exchange coordinators
- programme managers
- staff members of the Examination Board
- students

If you ask me, DEQAR’s slogan ‘quality at your fingertips’ lives up to its expectation!”

Eltjo Bazen, QA advisor at the University of Applied Sciences Utrecht

‘Since I have used the Database of External Quality Assurance Results (DEQAR) for the first time, I come back to it more and more frequently. It is a useful and trusted tool which helps to find all relevant information regarding quality assurance in the European Higher Education Area (EHEA). Without the register, my work would be tedious, time-consuming and not giving so much satisfaction.’

Damian Michalik, student expert from the ESU QA pool

DEQAR testimonials...

“The work on the DEQAR project is a valuable and useful experience for our agency, especially because we believe that it is our duty to improve transparency in the quality assurance procedures in higher education in the EHEA, which is the purpose of the DEQAR database.

We believe that the database will continue to expand even more in the future, providing easier access to accreditation reports and decisions to a wide range of users.”

Tomislav Tomljenović of the Agency for Science and Higher Education (ASHE)

“The DEQAR database is a most interesting European project being developed by EQAR and a number of European partners and agencies and is useful for ERIC-NARICs, HEIs, students and national authorities primarily for recognition and mobility (networks). The fact that all this information can easily be consulted in a user-friendly way and at one place is a real asset. We can only hope that more information will be collected and will be accessible in the future”.

Lucien Bollaert, QA expert