

QUALITY ASSURANCE IN DEFENCE, SECURITY AND AEROSPACE TRAINING AND EDUCATION - QADS AGENCY

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CALL FOR EXPERTS

QADS Agency provides external quality assurance of programmes and institutions offering qualifications at EQF levels 5 and above as well as higher education degrees (equivalent to the three cycles of EQF-EHEA) in the fields of aerospace, defence and security. Programmes in the fields related to the support and security of the national critical infrastructure are also in the focus of the agency. QADS' external quality assurance processes are based on evaluations by academic peers, business professionals and students who are external to the provider institution. These evaluations are dealing with reviews of different aspects of the quality of educational and training provision against a set of standards, with a purpose to quality improvement through external evaluation.

The success of the evaluation process relies largely on the capabilities of evaluation experts involved in the expert teams. The main responsibilities of the experts include:

- Preparation for the evaluation process by undergoing a training for QADS experts;
- Participation in the discussions of the expert team before, during and after the site visit to the applicant institution;
- Participation in the production of the evaluation report and in the briefing and debriefing of the QADS Director and Accreditation council.

We are currently looking for potential evaluation teams' experts who are capable to play the role of either an academic and/or quality assurance professional (leading the expert panel), a student member of the panel, or a business professional. Your CV (Application Form) will be carefully considered and if you comply with the expectations your candidacy will be presented to the Accreditation Council for nomination. Approved experts enter the QADS' Pool of experts and after appropriate training can be selected to join specific ad-hoc Evaluation Expert Teams.

Expected General Experience in the selection of experts:

- Experience of evaluation / external quality assurance
- Management of higher education, academic leadership or professional/business leadership
- Knowledge and understanding of the ESG 2015;
- Experience in educational development and design of programmes
- Knowledge of the system of higher education, higher VET or TVET
- Knowledge of the European and International approach to the quality assurance of Micro-credentials
- Knowledge of the European approach to quality assurance in cross-border higher education and joint degrees
- Experience of international research and development trends in the business area/discipline
- Personal qualities, e.g. openness, trust and positive attitude
- Excellent communication skills
- Excellent drafting and editing skills
- Ability to work under pressure and respect deadlines
- Team work ability
- Analytic competence
- Academic/professional integrity