

EHEA in a Global Context The European Higher Education Area: Characteristics Jointly shaped in a unique partnership of public authorities, higher education institutions (HEI), staff and students together with employers, quality assurance agencies, European and international institutions and organisations Created since 1999 in an intergovernmental process, the Bologna Process Officially launched on March 12, 2010



The European Higher Education Area in a Global Context: 1999 – 2003: Focus on intra-European cooperation Discussion of the further development of the EHEA in a European context Since 2003 within the EHEA: Increasing interest in international cooperation and dialogue Developments reflected in the Communiqués adopted by the EHEA ministers in charge of higher education at their Ministerial Conferences (1999 – 2001 – 2003 – 2005 – 2007 – 2009 – 2010)

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Berlin Communiqué in 2003:

"Ministers welcome the interest shown by other regions of the world in the development of the European Higher Education Area and . . . encourage the co-operation with regions in other parts of the world by opening Bologna seminars and conferences to representatives of these regions."

Bergen Communiqué in 2005:

"We see the EHEA as a partner of higher education systems in other regions of the world, stimulating balanced student and staff exchange and cooperation between higher education institutions. We look forward to enhancing the understanding of the Bologna Process in other continents by sharing our experiences of reform processes with neighbouring regions. We stress the need for dialogue on issues of mutual interest."

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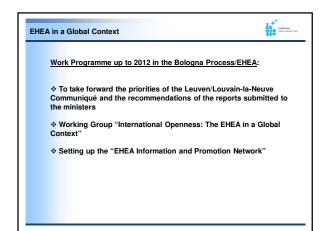
London Communiqué in 2007:

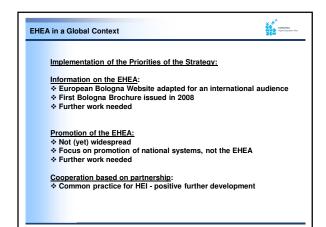
"We are pleased that in many parts of the world, the Bologna reforms have created considerable interest and stimulated discussion between European and international partners on a range of issues. These include the recognition of qualifications, the benefits of cooperation based upon partnership, mutual trust and understanding, and the underlying values of the Bologna Process."

"We adopt the strategy "The European Higher Education Area in a Global Setting" and will take forward work in the core policy areas: improving information on, and promoting the attractiveness and competitiveness of the EHEA; strengthening cooperation based on partnership; intensitying policy dialogue; and improving recognition."

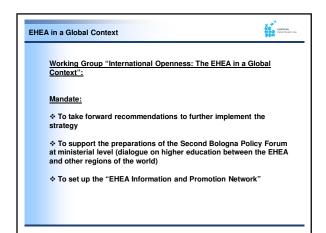
EHEA in a Global Context Leuven/Louvain-la-Neuve Communiqué in 2009: "We call upon European higher education institutions to further internationalise their activities and to engage in global collaboration for sustainable development. The attractiveness and openness of European higher education will be highlighted by joint European actions. Competition on a global scale will be complemented by enhanced policy dialogue and cooperation based on partnership with other regions of the world, in particular through the organisation of Bologna Policy Fora, involving a variety of stakeholders."

EHEA in a Global Context Budapest-Vienna Declaration on the European Higher Education Area in 2010 "The Bologna Process and the resulting European Higher Education Area, being unprecedented examples of regional, cross-border cooperation in higher education, have raised considerable interest in other parts of the world and made European higher education more visible on the global map. We welcome this interest and look forward to intensifying our policy dialogue and cooperation with partners across the world."





Implementation of the Priorities of the Strategy: Recognition: Vital for international cooperation ENIC (European Network of Information Centres in the European Region) and NARIC (National Academic Recognition Information Centres in the European Neuropean Neuropea



EHEA in a Global Context EHEA Information and Promotion Network (first meeting in May 2010) Open to all members of the Bologna Process/EHEA Main tasks: Develop an overview of existing initiatives/activities Contribute to production of information material Contribute to the Bologna/EHEA website Foster exchange and best practice Design measures to enhance the promotion of the EHEA

Bologna Policy Forum: Dialogue between the EHEA and other regions of the world First Bologna Policy Forum at ministerial level in 2009 Second Bologna Policy Forum at ministerial level in 2010: Participants: 70 countries and 11 organisations Debate on the following topics: Role of HEI/systems in the developing global knowledge society Brain circulation Balance between cooperation and competition

