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**Invitation to the International Seminar on the role of National Qualifications Frameworks and Quality Assurance in Recognition, Trakošćan, Croatia, 11 December 2013**

Dear Madam/Sir,

We are pleased to invite you to attend the International Seminar on the role of National Qualifications Frameworks and Quality Assurance in Recognition on 11 December 2013 in Trakošćan, Croatia. The Seminar will start at 9:30 and end at 16:00.

The Seminar will be jointly organised by the European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR) and the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports of the Republic of Croatia, as an activity under the peer learning and peer review initiative proposed within the Bologna Follow-Up Group work programme.

Referring to some of the Bucharest Communiqué priorities and building on the conclusions from the [QA Seminar held in July 2013 in Biograd na Moru](#), Croatia, this Seminar will address two specific issues:

- ways of establishing an efficient framework for enabling the work of foreign EQAR-registered agencies;
- external quality assurance as a reference point for recognition, together with national qualifications frameworks referenced to the EQF and QF-EHEA.

Based on case studies and practical examples, participants will be invited to engage in in-depth discussions on how to build on existing experiences and steps to be taken in their systems.

Participation is limited to maximum 30 participants from Ministries of Education, Quality Assurance Agencies, ENIC/NARIC representatives and stakeholder organisations. In order to ensure focused and explicit discussion, participants are expected to have an expertise and active interest in the above outlined issues, which should preferably be connected with their everyday work.

The Seminar will be held at the [Hotel Trakošćan](#) located near one of the most beautiful [medieval castles in Croatia](#). No fee is charged for participation in the Seminar. Full board accommodation for up to two nights and shuttle transport between the Zagreb airport and the venue shall be organized and covered by the organisers. Departure times from the airport are 12:00, 16:00 and 20:00 on 10 December and at 8:00 on 11 December. Departure time from the seminar site is 16:30 on 11 December and 9:00 on 12 December. The journey between the airport and the site takes about 1 hour 40 minutes therefore please plan your travel times accordingly. For additional information please contact [seminar-hko@mzos.hr](mailto:seminar-hko@mzos.hr).

Please note that spaces are limited and are subject to availability therefore we encourage you to register before the 25 November deadline. To attend the seminar, please use the [online registration form](#).

Sincerely,

ASSISTANT MINISTER

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