From Vision to Action -
Strengthening the Governance-Quality Assurance Nexus in Higher Education in MENA
Regional Event, 12-13 June 2014, Tunis, Tunisia

11 June
19.00 Reception/cocktail dinner at Hotel Concorde Les Berges du Lac
Welcome words by Eileen Murray, World Bank Country Manager

12 June
8.15 – 9.00 Registration, coffee
9.00 – 9.20 Welcome
Tawfik Jelassi, Minister of Higher Education, Scientific Research and ICT (t.b.c.)
Simon Gray, World Bank Country Director
UTICA
Nigel Bellingham, Country Director, British Council

9.20 – 10.10 Key-notes - Connecting governance and quality assurance for results
Francisco Marmolejo, Tertiary Education Coordinator, World Bank
Fabrice Hénard, International Expert (previously Analyst at the Directorate of Education, OECD)

10.10 – 12.00 Roundtable
Tawfik Jelassi, Minister of Higher Education, Scientific Research and ICT
Nabil Mohamed Ahmed, Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Djibouti
Dr. Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri, Director General – ISESCO t.b.c.
Ministers MENA region (t.b.c.)
Eric Froment, Chair, European Register Committee EQAR
Amine Bensaid, President, University of Muniapolis, Morocco
Caroline Campbell, Head of Networks and Partnerships, QAA UK
UTICA
Chair: Kamel Braham, Human Development Sector Leader, World Bank
Discussion/Q&A

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch
13.30 – 15.00  **Parallel Sessions**

**Session 1**: Linking external and internal quality assurance
Jacques Lanares, Vice Rector, University of Lausanne; Cristina Robalo Cordeiro, Head, AUF Bureau Maghreb; Mohamed Miliani, Head Quality Assurance, University of Oran, Algeria
Chair: Fabrice Hénard, International Expert; Facilitator: t.b.c.

**Session 2**: Developing effective external quality assurance systems
Caroline Campbell, Head of Networks and Partnerships, QAA UK; Abdul Ahmad Razak, Ministry of Higher Education, Malaysia; Mostafa Radwan, Ministry of Higher Education, Egypt, t.b.c.; Chair: Eric Froment, Chair, European Register Committee EQAR; Facilitator: t.b.c.

**Session 3**: Universities taking charge of their own quality
Andree Sursock, Senior Advisor, European University Association; Karma El Hassan, Director, Institutional Research and Assessment, AUB Lebanon; Jilani Lamloumi, President, UVT Tunisia
Chair/Facilitator: t.b.c.

**Session 4**: Transparency tools
Gero Federkeil, Project Manager U-Multirank, Center for Higher Education, Germany; AlmaLaurea; Nina Arnhold, University Governance Program Leader, World Bank; Chair: Ahmad Jammal, Director General, Ministry of Education and Higher Education, Lebanon; Facilitator: Sally Ward, British Council

15.00 – 15.30  **Coffee**

15.30 – 17.00  **Interactive Session** (Facilitator: Juan Manuel Moreno, Lead Education Specialist, World Bank), incl. reporting back

17.00  **Return to hotel**

19.00  **Departure from hotel, dinner (location t.b.c.)**

13 June

9.00 – 12.00  **Workshops:**

- **Session 1**: INAQA (upon invitation): Andree Sursock, Senior Advisor, European University Association; Eric Froment, Chair, European Register Committee EQAR; IEAQA Board

- **Session 2**: Linking external and internal Quality Assurance (II)/Quality Assurance ‘Clinique’: Jacques Lanares, Vice President, University of Lausanne; Cristina Robalo Cordeiro, Head, AUF Bureau Maghreb, university from MENA region
• Session 3: Regional University Governance Network – from UGSC to action plans to implementation: Nina Arnhold, University Governance Program Leader, World Bank and World Bank team

12.00 – 12.30 Governance and Quality Assurance in MENA – Future Perspectives: Jamil Salmi, Global Tertiary Education Expert

12.30 – 13.00 Closing: Tawfik Jelassi, Minister of Higher Education, Scientific Research and ICT; Eileen Murray, Country Manager, World Bank

13.00 - 14.15 Lunch

14.15 – 17.30 Site visit PAQ project: Najla Romdhane, Senior Advisor, Ministry of Higher Education, Scientific Research and ICT with Tunisian universities

Throughout event poster sessions:

• Najla Romdhane, Senior Advisor, Ministry of Higher Education, Scientific Research and ICT (coordinating): PAQ and PARES II Project, Tunisia
• Network universities (poster walk during Workshop Session 3 on 13 June)
• Partners