

QUALITY ASSURANCE IN
TRANSNATIONAL EDUCATION
FROM WORDS TO ACTION

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QUALITY ASSURANCE: A NEVER ENDING STORY

THE EMLE PROGRAMME AS AN EXAMPLE

PRESENTATION
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ERASMUS MUNDUS ASSISTANT
COORDINATOR EMLE PROGRAMME

ERASMUS MUNDUS MASTERS
COURSE IN
LAW & ECONOMICS
(EMLE)

É COORDINATOR: ROTTERDAM

É PARTNERS: BOLOGNA, HAIFA,
HAMBURG, GENT, MANCHESTER,
AIX/MARSEILLE, VIENNA

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS

	NON-EU	EU	TOTAAL
2005/06	138	116	254
2006/07	265	114	379
2007/08	334	114	448
2008/09	375	115	490

SELECTION

É PRESELECTION BY COORDINATOR:
TOP 125

É FINAL SELECTION BY JOINT
SELECTION COMMITTEE: RANKING

É ADMISSION: 100 - 110

É STARTING THE PROGRAMME: 80 - 90

É GRADUATING: APPROX. 90%

THREE TERMS

1 st TERM	BOLOGNA	ROTTERDAM	HAMBURG
2 nd TERM	BOLOGNA	GENT	HAMBURG
3 rd TERM	AIX/MARSEILLE, BOLOGNA, HAIFA, HAMBURG, MANCHESTER, ROTTERDAM, VIENNA		

COURSES

É 1ST TERM: 4 COURSES (20 ECTS)

É 2ND TERM: 4 COURSES (20 ECTS)

É 3RD TERM: 2 COURSES + THESIS (20 ECTS)

É TOTAL: 10 COURSES + THESIS (60 ECTS)

QUALITY CONTROL MECHANISMS

É EXTERNAL QUALITY CONTROL:

- ACCREDITATIONS AT NATIONAL LEVEL
(IN ALL PARTNER COUNTRIES, WITH DIFFERENT REQUIREMENTS)
- ERASMUS MUNDUS (SELECTION; TWO REPORTS PER YEAR; SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS AS WELL)

É INTERNAL QUALITY CONTROL:

- BY THE PARTNERS
- AT THE CENTRAL LEVEL

QUALITY ISSUES (1)

É IS THE MASTER REALLY SCIENTIFIC?

É INTERACTION BETWEEN TEACHING
AND RESEARCH

É CONFORMITY WITH INTERNATIONAL
STANDARDS

É LABOR MARKET PERSPECTIVES

QUALITY ISSUES (2)

É CONTENTS OF THE MASTERS
COURSES

É ORGANIZATION OF THE LECTURES

É STUDY WORKLOAD

É ADMISSION CRITERIA

É EXAMINATION CRITERIA

QUALITY ISSUES (3)

É QUALITY OF TEACHING STAFF

É ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

(VISA, ACCOMMODATION, ETC.)

É QUALITY ASSURANCE SYSTEM

É FINANCING AND CONTINUITY

QUALITY ISSUES (4)

ALL THIS:

É IN SEVERAL STANDARDS,
GUIDELINES AND GOOD PRACTICES
É GENERAL (UNESCO/OECD) OR MORE
SPECIFIC (ESG)

WORDS, A LOT OF WORDSÍ .

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INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE IN EMLE (1)

É REGULATIONS

É BOARD MEETINGS (OCT, FEBR, JUNE) /
MEETINGS OF TEACHERS (JUNE)

É QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE / QA
OFFICER

É INTERACTION WITH STUDENTS AND
ALUMNI

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE IN EMLE (2)

É QUESTIONNAIRES FOR ALL COURSES (AT
THE END OF THE EXAM)

É MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS BY QA
OFFICER

É MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS BY LOCAL
STAFF

QUALITY ASSURANCE: BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER

1. BEFORE ARRIVAL OF STUDENTS: WHAT WE OFFER, WHAT WE WANT, SELECTION PROCEDURE
2. DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR: EVALUATIONS PER COURSE
3. AFTER GRADUATION: EVALUATIONS AT THE END OF THE YEAR (GRADUATE) AND SOME YEARS LATER (ALUMNI)

1. SELECTION

É CLEAR SELECTION CRITERIA

É CLEAR SELECTION PROCEDURE

É PRESELECTION BY COORDINATOR

É FINAL SELECTION AND RANKING BY
JOINT SELECTION COMMITTEE (5 LOCAL
COORDINATORS)

2. EVALUATIONS PER COURSE (1)

É QUESTIONS ABOUT:

- TEACHING
- CONTENT OF THE COURSE
- EXAM
- OVERALL OPINION
- WORKLOAD PER WEEK
- OPEN QUESTION (REMARKS,
SUGGESTIONS)

2. EVALUATIONS PER COURSE (2)

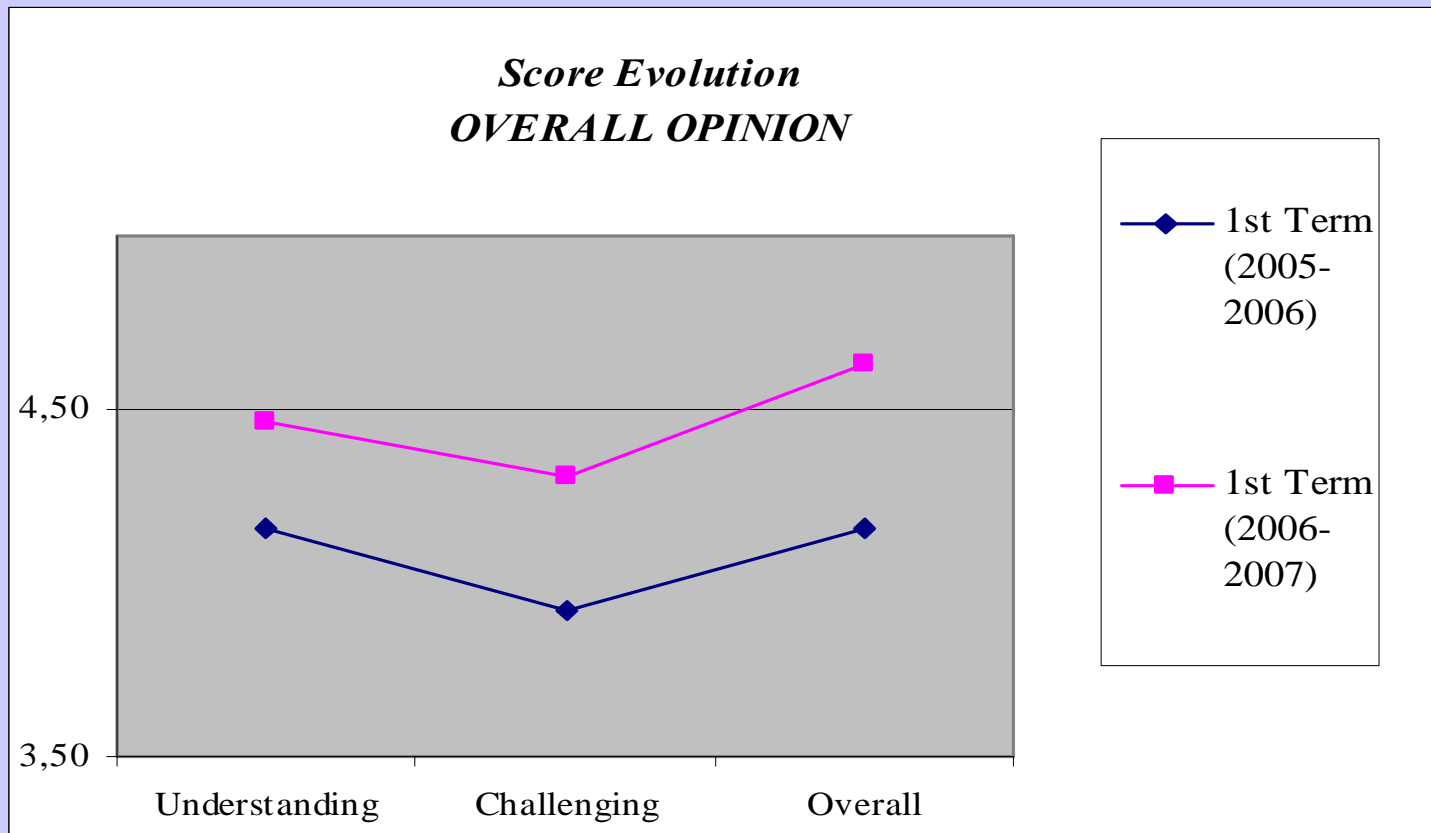
É REPORT BY QA OFFICER

É TO BE DISCUSSED IN BOARD MEETINGS
AND MEETINGS OF TEACHERS

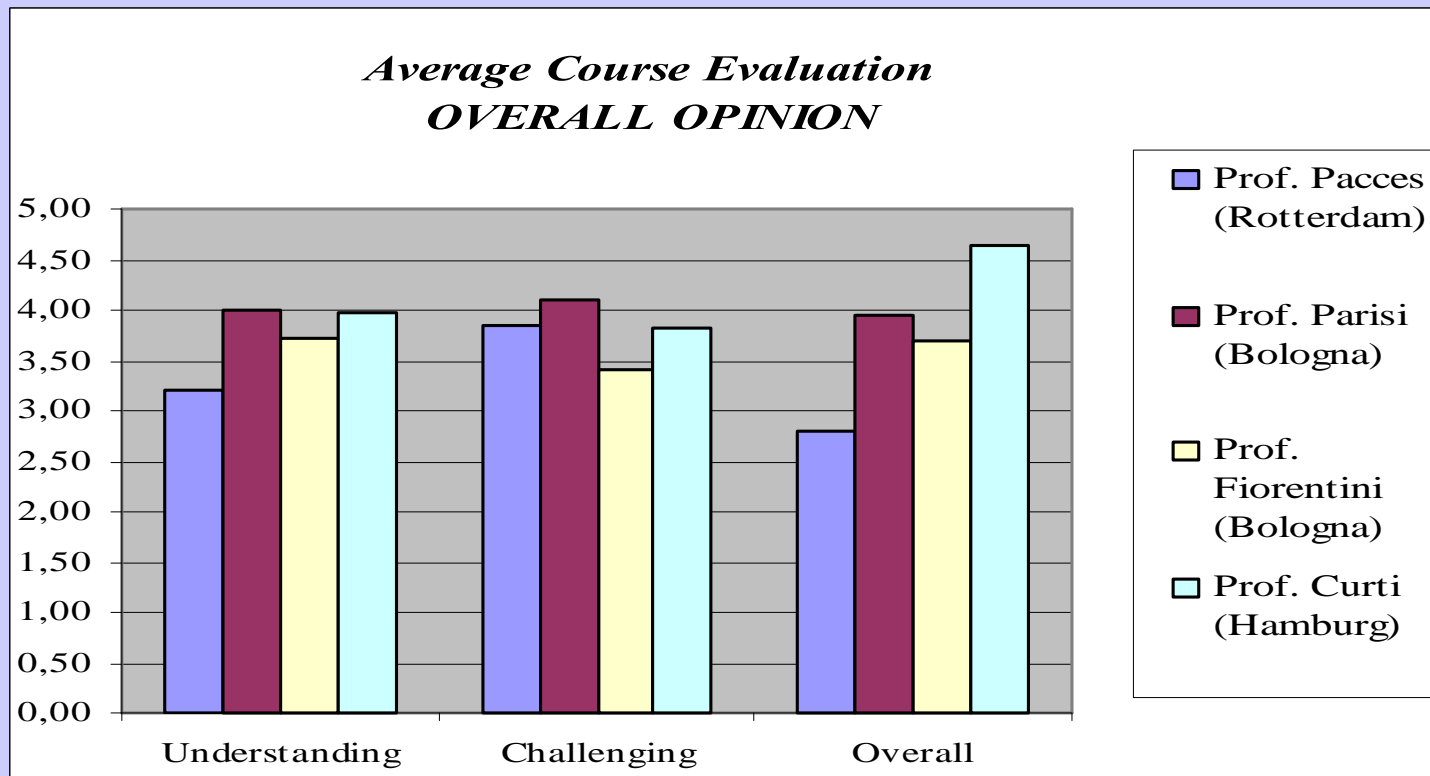
É COMPARE RESULTS:

- PER COURSE: EARLIER YEARS
- PER COURSE: DIFFERENT LOCATIONS
- PER TERM

COURSE TORT LAW (ROTTERDAM) 2005/2006 AND 2006/2007

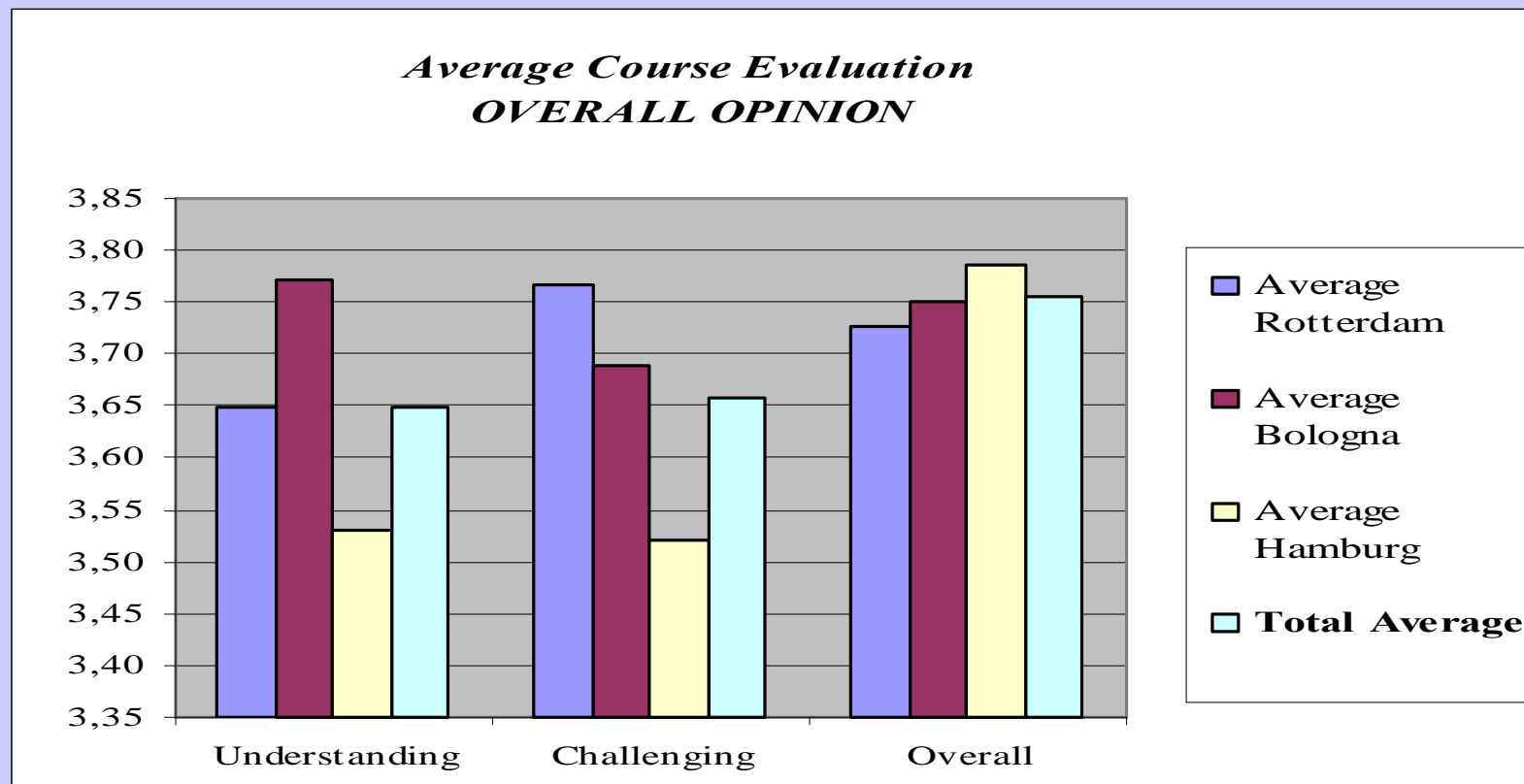


COURSE PUBLIC LAW (2006/2007) ROTTERDAM, BOLOGNA, HAMBURG



OVERALL AVERAGES 1st TERM 2006/2007

R'DAM, BOLOGNA, HAMBURG, TOTAL



2. EVALUATIONS PER COURSE (3)

É DISCUSS HIGH SCORES AS -BEST
PRACTICEø

É DISCUSS LOW SCORES

É BRING TOGETHER TEACHERS PER COURSE

3. EVALUATIONS AFTER GRADUATION

É AT THE END OF THE YEAR (AS A
GRADUATE)

É SOME YEARS LATER (AS AN
ALUMNI)

CONCLUSIONS (1)

É 1. SELECTION: SEEMS TO BE OK

É 2. EVALUATIONS PER COURSE:
COMPARISON AND COMPETITION
BETWEEN TEACHING CENTERS
IMPROVES QUALITY

É 3. EVALUATIONS AFTER
GRADUATION (GRADUATE /
ALUMNI): TO BE IMPLEMENTED

CONCLUSIONS (2)

É DO NOT BE AFRAID OF ANY COMMENTS BY STUDENTS, ALUMNI, ACCREDITATION ORGANIZATIONS, ETC. ó WELCOME IT ALL TO IMPROVE QUALITY

É MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF ACCREDITATION DECISIONS IS NEEDED, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

CONCLUSIONS (3)

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É GOOD LUCK!

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