

Bologna beyond 2010

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Over 11 millions students in Europe!

- 49 members
- 38 countries

Mainstreaming the student voice towards Leuven:

- "Towards 2020: a student centred Bologna Process" Policy Paper
- The Prague Student Declaration
- Statement on the development of rankings and classification in the EHEA

A student vision of the Bologna Process

- High quality higher education for all
- Cater for the diverse student and societal needs
- Equal opportunities for all, free from discrimination
- Student participation
- Academic freedom
- Education as both a public good and a public responsibility



Priorities for the future of the EHEA

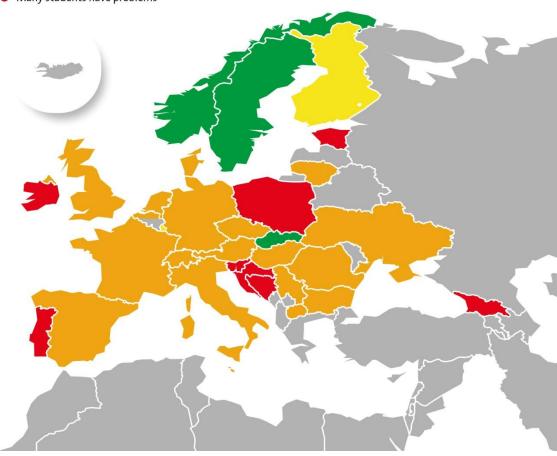
- Mobility
- Social dimension and lifelong learning
- Quality assurance and student participation



Mobility – BWSE 2009

fig. 18—Situation of national students spending a period abroad that encounter problems meeting their living expenses from their grant or loan

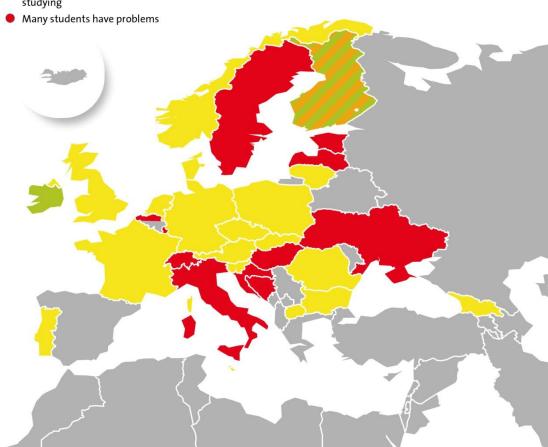
- None or almost none have problems
- Few have problems
- Some students have problems
- Many students have problems



Mobility- BWSE 2009

fig. 21—Situation of national students returning from a period of study abroad encountering problems with the recognition of their credits

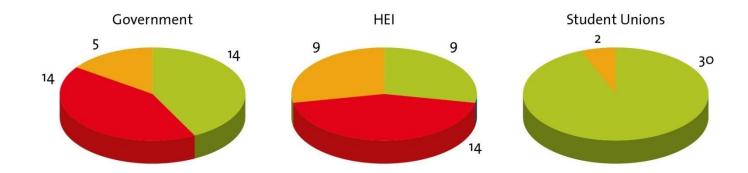
- None or almost none have problems
- Some students have problems
- Depends on where they were studying



Social dimension - BWSE 2009

fig. 1—Is the social dimension a priority, according to the student unions, for the government, the higher education institutions and the student union?

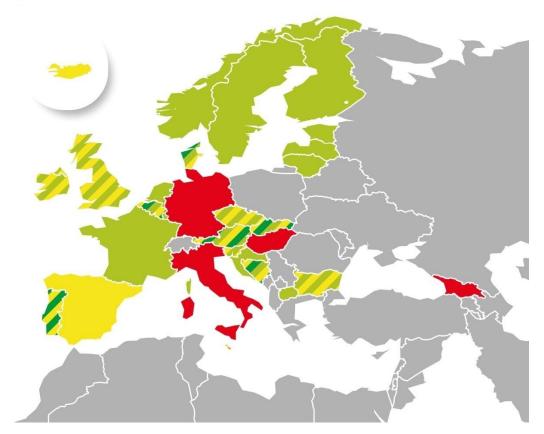
- Yes
- No
- Some degree



Lifelong learning - BWSE 2009

fig. 42—Availability of recognition of prior learning

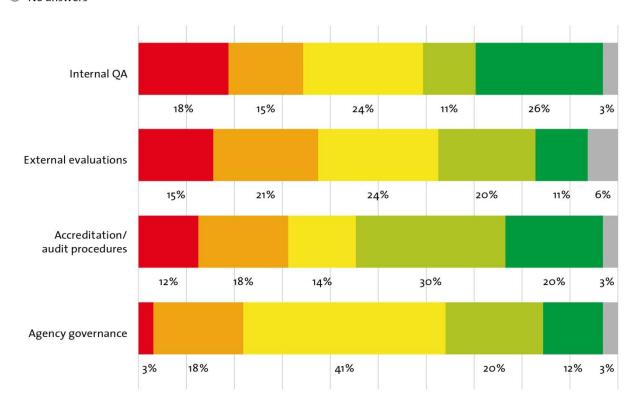
- Available by national or regional policy
- Available only in some sectors
- Available only in some institutions
- Other (limited, being discussed)
- Not available at all



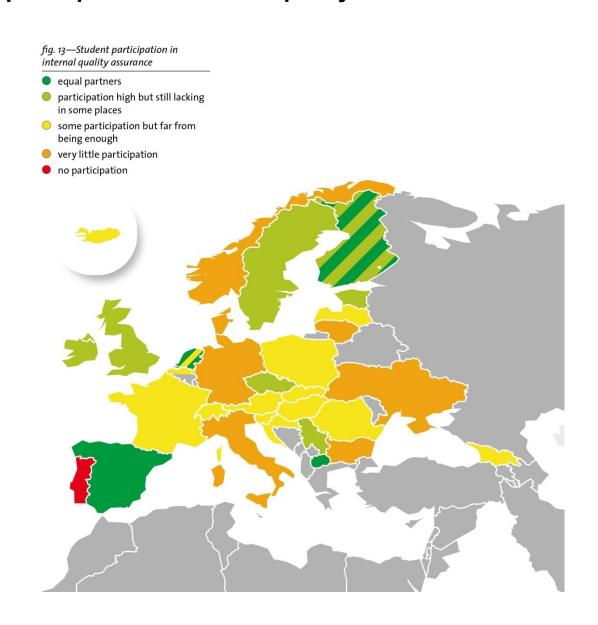
Student participation in quality assurance – BWSE 2009

fig. 12—Student participation in quality assurance processes

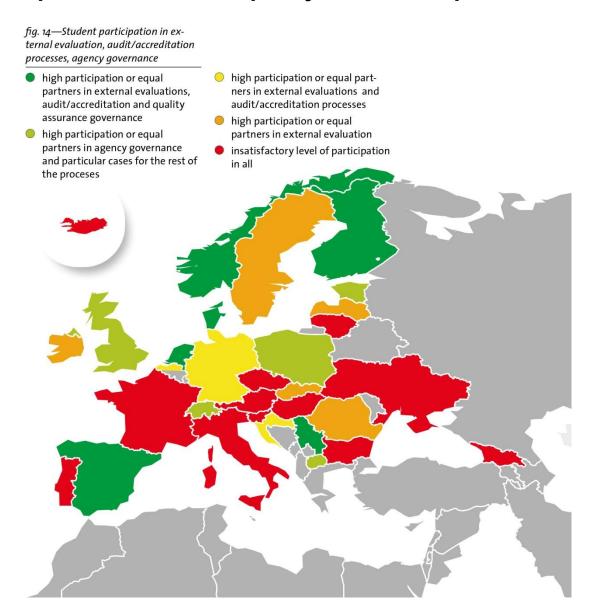
- no participation
- very little participation
- some participation, but far from being enough
- participation high, but still lacking in some places
- equal partners
- No answers



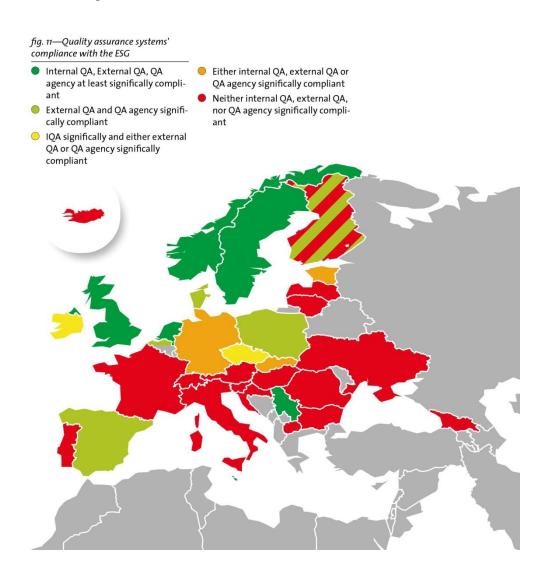
Student participation in internal quality assurance – BWSE 2009



Student participation in external quality assurance processes – BWSE 2009



Quality assurance systems' compliance with the European Standards and Guidelines



Bologna - Cathedral of Saint Petronius



Thank you!