DRAFT PROGRAMME (as of 2008.06.17)

Preliminary FORUM ELECTRONIC MEETING - 2-13 June 2008 Main Objectives:

- Hearing participants about further possible questions to be raised
- Sharing in advance some reflections that may improve discussion during the meeting

Seminar Day 1 - 19 June 2008, 08.30 - 18.00

08.30 - 09.30	Registration and Coffee
09.30 - 09.45	Welcome Address - Hosts and Organizers

Session 1 – Topic 1 – Understanding Learning Outcomes and ECTS by all stakeholders Chairperson –Lucien Bollaert, EURASHE

Main Auditorium

09.45 - 10.25	Keynote Lecture 1 – Declan Kennedy , Department of Education, University College Cork, Ireland Everything you need to know about Learning Outcomes!
10.25 – 10.45	First Debate on Topic 1
10.45 – 11.15	Coffee-Break
11.15 – 11.40	3 oral presentations on topic 1 Oral presentation 1.1 – Madalena Patrício, President of Association for Medical Education in Europe, Faculdade de Medicina da Universidade de Lisboa Where do we stand in terms of the Bologna two-cycle system as the structure to support learning outcomes and ECTS?
11.40 - 12.05	Oral presentation 1.2 – Lorraine Walsh , Director, Academic Professional Development University Coordinator, University of Dundee, Scotland Understanding Learning Outcomes and ECTS: a view from Scotland
12.05 - 12.30	Oral presentation 1.3 – Lucien Kerger, Academic Vice-Rector, U. Luxembourg Introducing Learning Outcomes at the University of Luxembourg
12.30 - 13.00	Second debate on Topic 1
13.00 - 14.30	Lunch

Session 2 -	- Topic 2 - Learning Outcomes, ECTS and Teaching/Learning Methods Chairperson – Maria de Lurdes Correia Fernandes, Vice-Rector U. Porto, Portugal			
Main Auditorium				
14.30 – 15.10	Keynote Lecture 2 – Robert Wagenaar , Joint coordinator of the Erasmus, Tempus and Alfa TUNING projects, University of Groningen, the Netherlands Learning Outcomes and ECTS: indispensable elements for teaching, learning and assessment in present day degree programmes?			
15.10 – 15.30	First Debate on Topic 2			
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee-Break			
	3 oral presentations on topic 2			
16.00 – 16.25	Oral presentation 2.1 – Isabel Huet , CIDTFF Research Centre, University of Aveiro, Portugal The effectiveness of alignment matrices in curriculum design			
16.25 – 16.50	Oral presentation 2.2 - Alfredo Soeiro , Faculdade de Engenharia, University of Porto, Portugal The Experience of E-portfolios in Student Learning Objectives			
16.50 - 17.15	Oral presentation 2.3 – Caroline Carlot, Bologna Expert, ESU- European Students Union ECTS with student eyes			
17.15 – 17.35	Second Debate on Topic 2			
17.35 – 18.00	Conclusions of Day 1 and organization of Discussion Groups for Day 2			
18.00	End of work for Day 1			
18.45 – 23.30	Social Event			
Day 2 – 20	June 2007 – 09.00-15.30			
Session 3 -	- Topic 3 - The wider implications of Learning Outcomes - in National Qualifications Frameworks, Recognition of Qualifications, Quality Assurance Chairperson – Bruno Carapinha, ESU			
Main Aud	itorium			
09.00 – 09.40	Keynote Lecture 3 - Volker Gehmlich, U. Osnabrueck, Germany title of conference to be announced			

09.40 – 10.15	1 oral presentation on topic 3 Oral presentation 3.1 – Armando Silvestre, CICECO, Department of Chemistry, University of Aveiro, Portugal, The Chemistry Eurobachelor and Euromaster Labels: From learning outcomes to quality assurance – an example of good practice	
10.15 – 10.30	Debate on Topic 3	
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee-Break	
Session 4 – Discussion Groups		

See location and coordination in the Section below

11.00 - 13.00	Discussion Groups – see below Section on Groups
13.00 – 14,30	Lunch

Section 5 - Final Plenary Session: Chairperson - Sebastião Feyo de Azevedo, DGES, Faculty of Engineering, U. Porto, Portugal

Main Auditorium

14.30 – 15.20	Presentation of conclusions by Group Co-ordinators
15.20 - 15.40	Summing up and Recommendations - Presentation of Final Report main lines by Rapporteur - Gerard Madill , Policy Adviser Universities Scotland
15.40 – 16.00	Summing up and Recommendations - Final comments by delegates End of Seminar

Group 1 - LO and Student workloads as building stones of curricula

Coordinator 1 - Declan Kennedy

Location - Room B102

Some Questions - emphasis on Q1.1 to Q1.3, though may get into the other related issues:

- 1. Understanding Learning Outcomes and ECTS by all stakeholders
- 1.1. What are LO?
 - 1.2.1. Identify the existing different layers/levels of Descriptors and Learning Outcomes (LO) for a given qualification, study programme or module
- 1.2. How do LO relate to ECTS?
- 1.3. How to write LO?
- 1.4. How do stakeholders perceive this new concept?
 - 1.4.1. How can LO promote the transparency of the offer to candidates and clarify expected competences to employers?
 - 1.4.2. How can academic staff learn about LO?
 - 1.4.3. What role of HEI and of HE staff in promoting the concept?

Group 2 - Stakeholders perception of LO

Coordinator 2 - Armando Silvestre

Location - Room B103

Some Questions: emphasis on Q1.4, though may get into the other related issues:

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- 1.1. What are LO?
 - 1.1.1. Identify the existing different layers/levels of Descriptors and Learning Outcomes (LO) for a given qualification, study programme or module
- 1.2. How do LO relate to ECTS?
- 1.3. How to write LO?
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 - 1.4.1. How can LO promote the transparency of the offer to candidates and clarify expected competences to employers?
 - 1.4.2. How can academic staff learn about LO?
 - 1.4.3. What role of HEI and of HE staff in promoting the concept?

Group 3 - Developing student centered learning concepts

Coordinator 3 - Robert Wagenaar

Location - Room B106

Some Questions - emphasis on Q2.1, though may get into the other related issues:

- 2. Learning Outcomes, ECTS and Teaching/Learning Methods
- 2.1. How are LO and ECTS linked to Teaching and Learning?
 - 2.1.1. How do these concepts facilitate new methods of learning?
 - 2.1.2. How do they contribute to student centred learning?
- 2.2. How to relate LO to programme design and flexible curricula?
- 2.3. What is the complementary role of assessment in this new learning paradigm?
 - 2.3.1. Which new concepts for assessment?

Group 4 - Writing LO and relating to program design and flexible

Coordinator 4 - Lucien Kerger

Location - Room B107

Some Questions - emphasis on Q2.2 and Q2.3, though may get into the other related issues:

- 2. Learning Outcomes, ECTS and Teaching/Learning Methods
- 2.1. How are LO and ECTS linked to Teaching and Learning?
 - 2.1.1. How do these concepts facilitate new methods of learning?
 - 2.1.2. How do they contribute to student centred learning?
- 2.2. How to relate LO to programme design and flexible curricula?
- 2.3. What is the complementary role of assessment in this new learning paradigm?
 - 2.3.1. Which new concepts for assessment?

Group 5 - Employability and mobility

Coordinator 5 - Alfredo Soeiro

Location - Room B109

Some Questions - emphasis on Q3 from the point of view of employability and mobility:

- 3. The wider implications of Learning Outcomes in National Qualifications Frameworks, Recognition of Qualifications, Quality Assurance
- 3.1. Which role of LO and ECTS in defining National Qualifications Frameworks?
- 3.2. Which implications of a readable NQF based on LO and ECTS?
 - 3.2.1. In recognition of qualifications?

- 3.2.2. In fostering employability and vertical and horizontal mobility?
- 3.2.3. In Quality Assurance?

Group 6 - LO and NQF - Recognition of Studies, Recognition of Prior Learning, Quality Assurance

Coordinator 6 - Volker Gehmlich

Location - Room B110

Some Questions - emphasis on Q3 from the point of view of Recognition of Studies, Recognition of Prior Learning, Quality Assurance:

- 3. The wider implications of Learning Outcomes in National Qualifications Frameworks, Recognition of Qualifications, Quality Assurance
- 3.1. Which role of LO and ECTS in defining National Qualifications Frameworks?
- 3.2. Which implications of a readable NQF based on LO and ECTS?
 - 3.2.1. In recognition of qualifications?
 - 3.2.2. In fostering employability and vertical and horizontal mobility?
 - 3.2.3. In Quality Assurance?