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Strategic Priority: ENQA and EQAR

- Membership in the **European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA)** and the **European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR)** as a key strategic objective of the Czech Republic
- Strengthening international cooperation and the role of Czech universities
- Improving conditions for European alliances and joint study programmes
- Removing barriers to the development of the European Degree
- Completing of the modernization of the quality assurance system in the Czech Republic in line with the ESG standards

Professionalising the Quality Assurance System

- Established robust internal quality systems at universities
- Systematic work with data and regular program evaluations
- Active involvement of students and external experts
- Quality culture as part of university governance
- Professional and methodologically grounded framework of NAB

Partnership with NAB

- NAB as a partner, not merely an oversight authority
- Emphasis on independence, stability, and professionalism
- Support for the stakeholder principle in appointing the NAB Council
- Strengthening the legitimacy and credibility of decision-making

Strengthening the transparency and effectiveness of the accreditation process

- Mandatory visits of evaluation committees for new accreditations
- Better understanding of the institution and open dialogue
- Publication of written reports from evaluation committees
- Openness as the foundation of trust

Revision of quality standards

- NAB initiative as an opportunity for further development
- Strengthening alignment with ESG
- Eliminating ambiguities from practice
- Goal: system efficiency, not increased administrative burden

Conclusion

- Harmonization with ESG as a means to higher quality and trust
- Strengthening the international openness of Czech higher education
- Shared responsibility of NAB and the academic community
- Strategic benefits for students and society

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