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Student Involvement in Quality Assurance at Higher Education Institutions in the Czech Republic



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Introduction of the speaker

- Tereza Marková
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Student Chamber
of the Council of HEIs



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Presentation content

- 1) List of Evaluators NAB
- 2) Activities of the SK RVŠ in the field of quality assurance
- 3) Potential for improving student involvement



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1) List of Evaluators NAB



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List of Evaluators NAB

- Official list of persons who may be appointed to evaluation committees
- Evaluation committees
 - Advisory bodies of the NAB
- Prepare expert opinions on individual administrative proceedings:
 - Accreditation of study programme
 - Institutional accreditation
 - External evaluation
 - *Habilitation proceedings and proceedings for appointment as professor*



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Students on the List of Evaluators NAB

- **Just one requirement: you must be a student in an accredited study programme**
- **Preferred, but not required:**
 - Interest in quality assurance
 - Be familiar with the quality assurance system in Czech higher education
 - The ability to defend their opinions
 - The effort to provide a student's perspective on the issue



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The most common reasons for signing up to the List of Evaluators NAB

- Shortage of students and high turnover
- Efforts to strengthen the students' voice
- Curriculum Vitae
- Valuable experience
- Opportunity to influence the form of study programmes
- Learn how to work with accreditation documentation and gain insight into the accreditations of other institutions
- Positive impact of the system
- Financial reward



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Students on the List of Evaluators NAB

- The reporter for this area: Tereza Marková



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2) Activities of the SK RVŠ in the field of quality assurance



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Activities of the SK RVŠ

- SK RVŠ has the **right to nominate a student** to the NAB Council
 - Open call for all students
 - Held every two years
- As the national student representatives, we are regularly invited to various events
 - **Days of educational activities** – Conference of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports
 - **Quality Assurance in Higher Education** – Conference under the patronage of Masaryk University and other institutions



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Roundtables

- 3 roundtable events per year on various topics
- February 2025: **Roundtable on Quality Assurance in Higher Education**
 - What a student evaluator should know, how students contribute to quality, various approaches to quality assurance



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Conference of Academic Senators

- Held once a year, around 100 students participated
- Discussions, workshops, and presentations on various topics, **including quality assurance**
- Quality in Higher Education: What It Means to Be an NAB Evaluator



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3) Potential for improving student involvement



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Ideas for improvement

- An explanation of what membership in the List means
- Infographics
- **The part of the website dedicated to students**
- Guidelines on how the entire evaluation process works
 - Interactive, not just pages of black-and-white text
- Clear and transparent communication
- Greater digitization of the entire system
 - From the application to contracts and voting
- More communication from NAB
 - Meetings, email updates, materials
 - Greater transparency
 - Even for those who aren't currently evaluating



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Ideas for improvement

- **TRAINING**

- Absolute essential for new evaluators
- At regular intervals
- A sustainable system
- A well-developed concept
- Online format
- Videos available anytime



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Building a Student Community

- Support during the starting phase and faster onboarding
- Sharing know-how, as well as positive and negative experiences
- Strengthening the students' voice
- Quality-related education and skills development
- Opportunities for organizing events or activities



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Thank you for your attention!

- I look forward to your questions.
- In case you have any ideas or comments, please send them to my email: markova@skrvs.cz



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