







BFUG SECRETARIAT UPDATE

BFUG MEETING LXXXVI
MADRID, SPAIN

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THE SECRETARIAT STAFF COMPOSITION

Head of Secretariat

4 Senior Experts (three full time, one part time)

3 full time Junior Experts

2 Communications Experts (one Senior, one Junior - both part time)

IT - Ministry of Education and Sports (MES)





MEETINGS UP-TO-DATE



- Alignment meetings with Incoming BFUG Co-Chairs.
- Meetings with BFUG Working Structure Co-Chairs.
- Meetings with the TF on Enhancing Knowledge Sharing in the EHEA Community and the EU-funded In-Global project team regarding the website refreshing.
- Support in the organization of BFUG, Board and Working
 Structures and subgroup meetings since the beginning of the working period:
 - Meetings held 119;
 - Doodle polls 58;
 - Google Forms 30;
 - Minutes of Meetings finalized 98 (in process: 11)



SINCE THE BFUG MEETING LXXXIV

Expressions of Interest for

BFUG working structures: 3



Alignment with ES & GA **Co-Chairs and Vice-Chair**





Interface with BE & VA **Incoming Co-Chairs**

Organization of meetings







Periodic updates on the **EHEA Website**





NOTEWORTHY INITIATIVES





Website Enhancement:

- Streamlining the process of meetings archiving.
- Effective collaboration with Co-Chairs of Working Structures for a comprehensive EHEA topic review.

Newsletter Support:

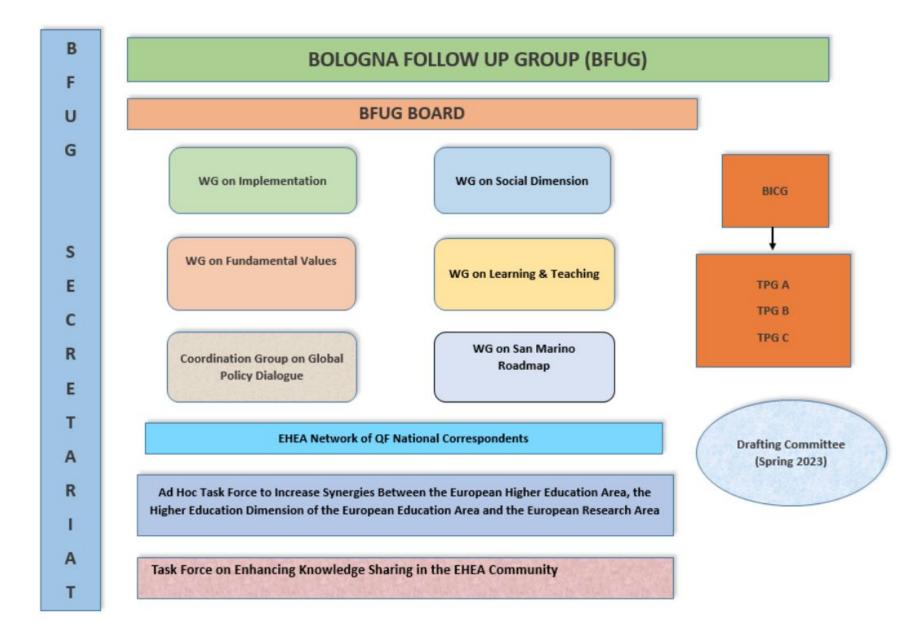
- Support in the development of a newsletter, in close coordination with the Task Force on Enhancing Knowledge Sharing in the EHEA Community, via facilitating outreach, gathering information, and support in the visual elements.
- Next deadline for contribution November 15, 2023.

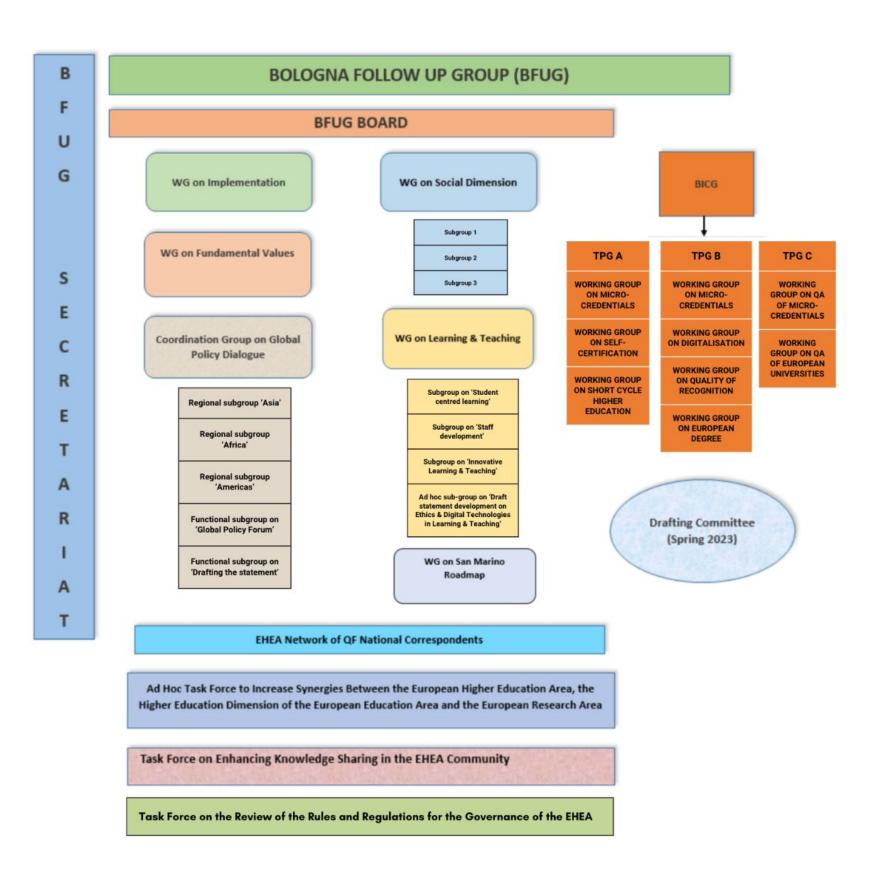
Analytical Communiqué Review:

 An in-depth analysis of all previous communiqués to provide support to the Drafting Committee towards Tirana 2024.

Logistical Communiqué Review:

• An informative, benchmark and background material of all previous communiqués to be used as a sample during the preparations for the Ministerial Conference and the Global Policy Forum, to provide support to the Drafting Committee towards Tirana 2024.





MEETINGS ORGANIZED

BFUG WORKING STRUCTURES	WORKPLAN FORECAST IN DECEMBER 2020	PLANNED WORKPLAN	ACTUAL WORKPLAN (until 2023)
BOLOGNA FOLLOW UP GROUP	8	8	6
BOLOGNA FOLLOW UP GROUP BOARD	8	8	7
WORKING GROUP ON MONITORING	6 (2 per year)	6 (2 per year)	7
WORKING GROUP ON FUNDAMENTAL VALUES	6 (2 per year)	6 (2 per year)	8
WORKING GROUP ON SOCIAL DIMENSION	6 (2 per year)	6 (2 per year)	13
WORKING GROUP ON LEARNING AND TEACHING	6 (2 per year)	6 (2 per year)	10
COORDINATION GROUP ON GLOBAL POLICY DIALOGUE	-	6 (2 per year)	9
WORKING GROUP ON SAN MARINO ROADMAP	-	6 (2 per year)	6
BOLOGNA IMPLEMENTATION COORDINATION GROUP	6 (2 per year)	6 (2 per year)	7
THEMATIC PEER GROUP A	6 (2 per year)	6 (2 per year)	6
THEMATIC PEER GROUP B	6 (2 per year)	6 (2 per year)	5
THEMATIC PEER GROUP C	6 (2 per year)	6 (2 per year)	5
TASK FORCE ON ENHANCING KNOWLEDGE SHARING IN THE EHEA	-	9 (3 per year)	9
AD HOC TASK FORCE TO INCREASE SYNERGIES BETWEEN THE EHEA-EEA-ERA	-	3	2
TASK FORCE ON THE REVIEW OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNANCE OF THE EHEA	·	4 (2 per year)	8
EHEA NETWORK OF NATIONAL QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORKS CORRESPONDENTS	3	3	3
DRAFTING COMMITTEE	10	10	8
TOTAL	77	105	119

INCOMING SEMESTER

Two BFUG Boards and three BFUG Meetings

- Eighty-seven BFUG Board meeting, hosted by Vatican City, 23 January 2024 (handover ceremony on 22 January 2024)
- Eighty-eight BFUG meeting, hosted by Belgium, 19 20 February 2024
- Eighty-nine BFUG Board meeting, hosted by Vatican City, 12 March 2024
- Ninety BFUG meeting, hosted by Belgium, 11 12 April 2024
- Ninety-one BFUG meeting, the day prior to the Ministerial Conference in May 2024

15 December 2023 February 2024 April 2024

Deadline for presenting the candidatures (unless BFUG decides otherwise).

Final reports from the BFUG Working Structures to be presented at the February BFUG meeting.

On 20-22 February, BFUG Secretariat circulates the candidatures to the BFUG members (min. two weeks prior to the next BFUG meeting). EHEA members not attending the next BFUG meeting submit their votes in a sealed envelope to the BFUG Secretariat.

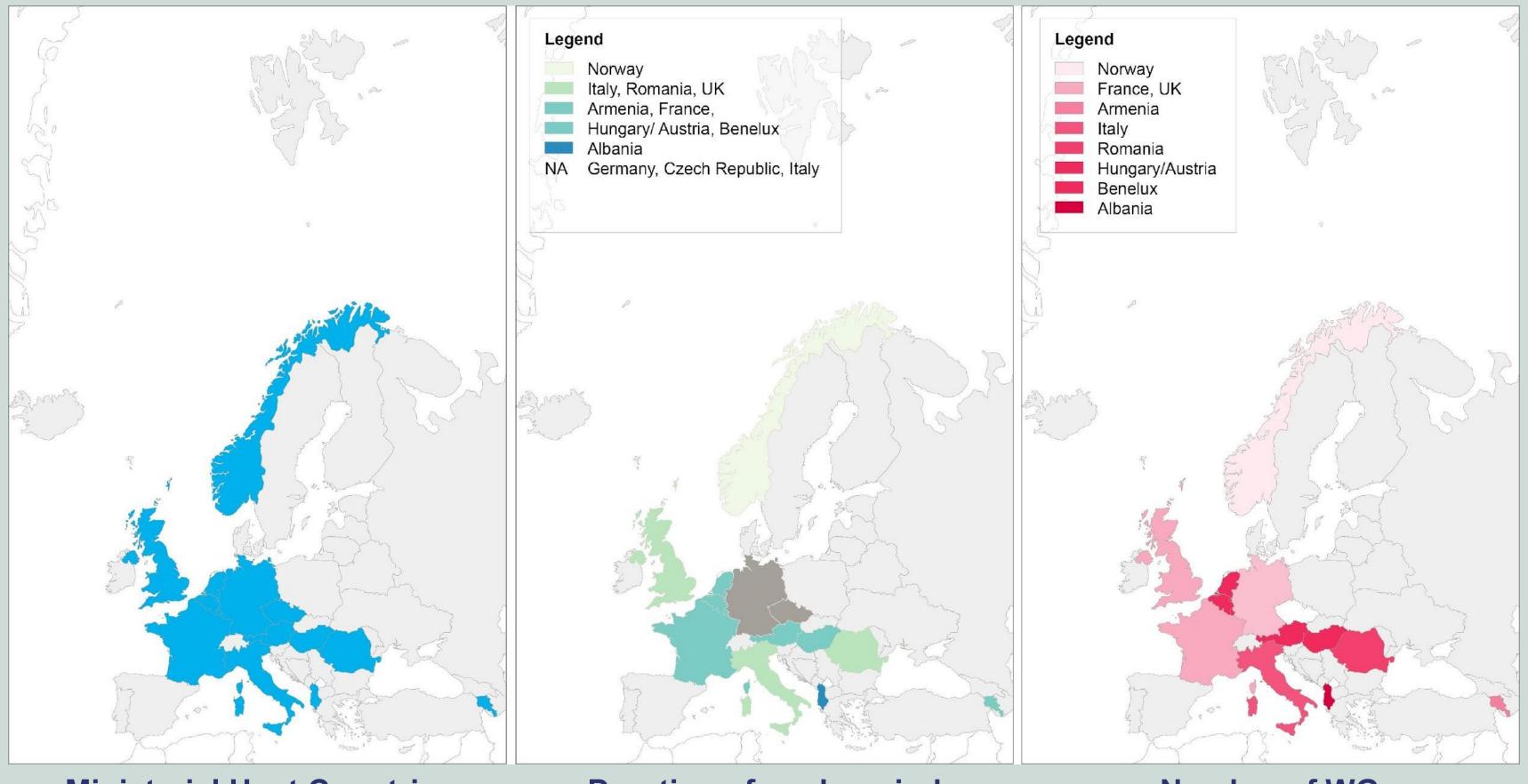
In the April BFUG meeting, BFUG Working Structures will present ToRs for the next period (2024-2027).

Finalisation of the selection procedure for the next host(s) of the next Ministerial Conference and BFUG Secretariat. The host(s) will be finally endorsed by the EHEA Ministers responsible for higher education at the 2024 Tirana Ministerial Conference.

MINISTERIAL CONFERENCES IN A NUTSHELL

	EHEA MINISTERIAL CONFERENCES					
	Working period of the BFUG Secretariat (monthly/year)	Number of WG/structures	WG subgroups	Country	EU/Non EU country	
Ministerial conference in Tirana 2024	42 months (3.5 years)	15	21 (LT 4, SD 3, CG 5, TPG A 3, TPG B 4, TPG C 2)	Albania	Non EU country	
Ministerial conference in Rome 2020	23 months (1.9 years)	11		Italy	EU country	
Ministerial conference in Paris 2018	35 months (2.9 years)	7		France	EU country	
Ministerial conference in Yerevan 2015	35 months (2.9 years)	9		Armenia	Non EU country	
Ministerial conference in Bucharest 2012	23 months (1.9 years)	12		Romania	EU country (Non EU country at the time)	
Ministerial conference in Budapest/Vienna 2010	35 months (2.9 years)	13		Hungary/Austria	EU country	
Ministerial conference in Leuven/Louvain-la Neuve 2009		15		BENELUX	EU country	
Ministerial conference in London 2007	23 months (1.9 years)	7		United Kingdom	Non EU country (EU country at the time)	
Ministerial conference in Bergen 2005	18 months (1.5 years)	4		Norway	Non EU country	
Ministerial conference in Berlin	N/A	6		Germany	EU country	
Ministerial conference in Prague 2001		3		Czech Republic	EU country (Non EU country at the time)	
Ministerial conference in Bologna 1999	N/A			ltaly	EU country	

MINISTERIAL CONFERENCES IN A NUTSHELL



Ministerial Host Countries

Duration of work period Longest: Albania

Number of WG
Highest: Albania
Lowest: Czech Republic









THANK YOU!

