



#### ECTS KEY FEATURES CONSULTATION

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#### **ECTS** time line



- 1989 ECTS pilot project 100 institutions (Erasmus)
- 1989-1999 ECTS wider use (Erasmus)
- 1999 Bologna Declaration embraces ECTS
- 2002 Zurich Conference EUA Workload & LO
- 2004 ECTS Key Features
- ECTS in national laws and regulations
- Update Key Features (2007) and Users' Guide (2008)





# **EU ECTS Support** (Erasmus, Tempus)

- Introduction grants
- Wider use grants
- ECTS Counsellors (Bologna Experts to be extended to Tempus countries)
- Users 'Guide
- Key Features
- ECTS Site Visits and Label





### **ECTS Key Features remain:**

- Objectives (now Learning Outcomes) & Workload
- Credits based on average workload needed to achieve expected learning Outcomes



## **ECTS Key Features Update**



#### more explicit on:

- Learning Outcomes
- Lifelong learning
- Qualifications Frameworks (levels)
- Quality Assurance (ESG)



## **ECTS Update Consultation**



- ECTS Counsellors (from academia, designated by national authorities, in consultation with rectors'conferences EU32 countries)
- ECTS National Experts EU32 (often same persons) – online and meeting January
- Bologna Follow-Up Group (Key Features today, Users'Guide in March)
- Drafting Group (5 experts + Stakeholders)





## Thank You!

