Dear members of AG3 and WG2,

The monitoring of Belarus roadmap implementation for the last two and a half years could to a certain extent be viewed as a process similar to the one suggested by AG3. Hence as a follow-up to the discussion held during the BFUG meeting in Tartu we would like to offer some contribution to your work by providing our feedback.

Within the frameworks of AG2 activities peer-learning events have been organized by the co-chairs with the purpose of assisting Belarus in the roadmap implementation. We find all the events extremely useful and beneficial.

To be more specific and exemplify it in a concrete way we would underline that:

-- they contributed to better understanding of the EHEA context and increased our awareness of various modes for implementing Bologna tools (e.g. the study visit to German universities in January 2017);

-- as a result of the case-study the first draft of Belarus Higher Education NQF was developed (the study visit to the Italian ENIC/NARIC office where Italian colleagues presented their HE NQF and outlined approaches to its development).

In general Bologna-related peer learning events held in Belarus have contributed to incorporating Bologna tools into Belarus higher education system as well as enhancing their implementation practice (e.g. ECTS, learning outcomes, etc.).

Thus from the point of view of assisting implementation peer-learning is a strong motivation-building factor as well as a powerful path-finder tool which can accelerate problem-solving if implementation proves challenging due to the country’s historical development, cultural and educational context.

On that occasion and on the basis of our experience with the roadmap implementation we think that while building commonly a new approach towards non-implementation it would be most useful to take into account the experience of countries belonging to the EHEA (in the form of peer learning) as well as the specificities of their national contexts which are quite different.

Best regards,

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