

## A biographical note



Asel Imanbekova is a Deputy Director for Accreditation in the “EdNet” Agency for Quality Assurance in Education and has more than 10 years of extensive experience in quality assurance and accreditation. For the past 6 years, she performed as the main leader of development of all methodological documentation of the agency in regards to international standards, and is responsible for aligning of agency’s procedures and activities in accordance with such standards as ESG, CHIBA, CHEA and WFME. She chaired the agency’s committee to prepare the agency for APQR recognition, which was successfully achieved and made EdNet Agency the only organization from Kyrgyzstan to be included in APQR, thus enjoying international recognition. Her recent activities include provision of all accreditation procedures, working with academic society, employers, expert society, students, governmental bodies and fulfillment of the agency’s policy on internationalization and widening cooperation. She is also responsible for the methodological provision of the Agency and close collaboration with international partners including drafting and signing documents such as guidelines, instructions, regulations, MoU, analytical reports etc. Asel is a certified expert and she has coordinated numerous accreditation procedures for HEIs, colleges and schools. Having her extensive and deep experience on accreditation Mrs. Imanbekova is a member of a variety of official working groups of the Ministry of education and science of the Kyrgyz Republic for drafting of bylaws related to QA and accreditation.

Asel obtained her Master of Business Administration and Master of International Law in the International University of Kyrgyzstan. She has more than 15 years of experience as an educator, more than 5 years of experience in corruption prevention area, and more than 10 years of experience in quality assurance and accreditation. Asel has developed from scratch a set of the documents for internal and external quality assurance of the EdNet Agency including documents for accreditation of Higher Educational Institutions, Vocational Secondary Education, Secondary School education and Medical Education. Asel has been a participant in international projects TuCAHEA (Tempus), Reform of Judicial system of the Kyrgyz Republic (GIZ, EU), World Bank project on teaching and learning and UNESCO on education for sustainable development – ESG.

Asel has published articles on quality assurance and distant learning, corruption prevention in education etc. She is a leading trainer of the Agency for accreditation experts and academic community about self-assessment, international tendencies on accreditation and QA, analyses of QA developments inside universities, and building of effective and comprehensive QA system in educational organizations and accreditation agencies.

Asel is a frequent speaker at HEIs meetings and consultations where she often informs on the accreditation procedures, quality assurance and scope of work of the Agency.