




Cross agency capacity building: peer learning and building trust

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Introduction



30 years of INQAAHE and QA is still an emerging and evolving field


QA is multifaceted, and requires

- vertical capacity building
- horizontal capacity building

Relationships are built on mutual interest, trust and shared enthusiasm


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Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board, Ontario, Canada



THE POST SECONDARY EDUCATION QUALITY ASSESSMENT BOARD

- One of 10 QAA's across Canada, one of 4 in Ontario
- Arms-length govt agency, est. 2001
- Responsible for degree level programming outside of public university system
- Supports national networking activities
- Supports Ontario provincial QAA activities
- Supports Institutional support activities
- Engages in collaborative research
- Engages in international collaborations


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Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education, UK



THE POST SECONDARY EDUCATION QUALITY ASSESSMENT BOARD

- Independent, not for profit, established in 1997
- Check students get the UKHE entitled to expect
- Raise the standards and quality of UKHE
- Works across UK nations
- Independent assessments and evaluations
- UK Quality Code and Frameworks for HE
- Membership model
- Support development of QA systems worldwide
- Training, guidance and events
- Advice to Members, Government, Partners
- National capacity building and research
- International capacity building

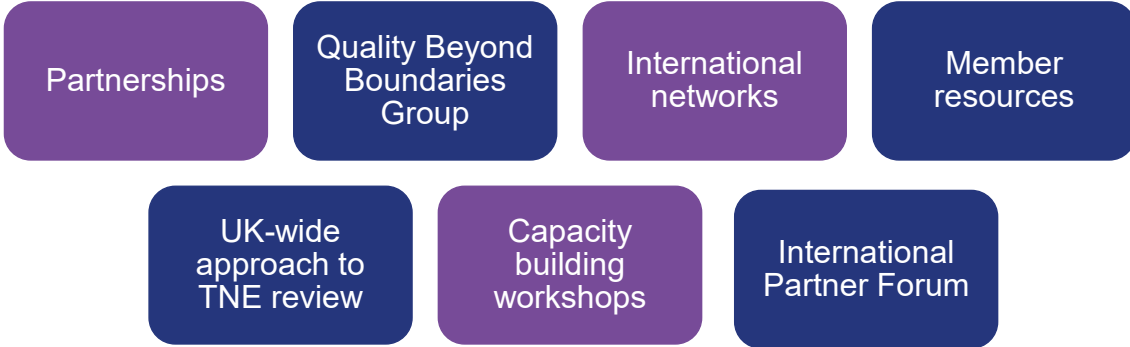
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International capacity building



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International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education, INQAAHE



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Conclusion and next steps



In summary:

- Quality assurance agency variety
- Operational focus
- Cross-agency capability and capacity building
- Peer learning
- Role of INQAAHE

Next steps for PEQAB and QAA

- Learning from each other
- Joint training
- Reviewer panels
- Shared resources
- International membership

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Questions?



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Thank you

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