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#### UKENIC24: Book now for our annual conference, 26 & 27 November



You can now book your place for our two-day UKENIC24 annual conference in central London on Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 November.

The theme of UKENIC24 is 'Insights for Internationalisation', and the event follows the successful corresponding annual conference held in December 2023, which was attended by approximately 500 people from over 20 countries.

For this year's event, we are excited to be using The Mermaid, a riverside conference venue that is new to us. It is close to London's Blackfriars Bridge and Blackfriars tube station, and within easy walking distance of City Thameslink, Waterloo and Cannon Street train stations. READ MORE

### We are bringing together sector experts to create the UKENIC24 programme



Planning for the UKENIC24 conference in November is well underway, with a newly-established UK ENIC Conference Advisory Panel providing sector-wide expertise and input to help direct and shape the two days of content.

The panel comprises representatives from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), Association of Colleges, British Council, British Universities International Liaison Association, UK Department for Education, UK Council for International Student Affairs, Universities UK International, and a number of UK higher education institutions, alongside the core UK ENIC staff conference team.

## Nominations closing soon for 'admissions best practice' awards



Nominations close on 2 September for our new awards recognising best practice in admissions functions in the UK and internationally.

Six awards will be presented at a gala dinner to be held in London on the evening of Tuesday 26 November, after the first day of the UKENIC24 conference, in the following categories:

- Best UK-based admissions team for diversity and inclusivity
- Best UK-based admissions team for digital and technological innovation
- Best UK-based admissions team for sustainability and environment
- Best UK-based admissions team for international student experience
- Best UK-based admissions team (overall)
- Best overseas admissions team (overall)

Winners will receive a trophy and a digital badge to recognise their success. We will also recognise the runner-up with a digital badge, and will publish the names of those that were highly commended.

Admissions teams from higher and further education are invited to email philip.cernik@ecctis.com, no later than 2 September, naming their team and the applicable category they wish to enter. READ MORE

# Book now for September online & face-to-face training opportunities



Booking is still open for online and face-to-face training sessions taking place in early September:

Chris Lyons, UK ENIC Head of External Engagement, says: 'We are working to create a conference programme that is interesting, engaging and varied, and that appeals to attendees as relevant and at the centre of the challenges being faced now, as well as those we expect to encounter in the future. READ MORE

## User-friendly guidelines to help implement Global Recognition Convention



UK ENIC is furthering its work to help people across the globe who want their qualifications recognised in order to work, live and or study in other countries.

A four-strong UK delegation to UNESCO for the Global Recognition Convention (GRC), including Chris Lyons, UK ENIC Head of External Engagement, is contributing to a new working group developing user-friendly operational guidelines to help countries implement the GRC, and to adhere to it in the most effective ways.

Chris Lyons says: READ MORE

# UK ENIC support for internationally-educated healthcare professionals



UK ENIC presented at a National Health Service (NHS) webinar which supported international registered healthcare professionals who have refugee status in the UK, including doctors, nurses and midwives.

Attended by around 50 people, the event gave information and guidance to professional refugees already based in the UK, who are looking for professional registration in the country. Advice was given on registration processes, and how to make links with the NHS. READ MORE

- Spotlight on Pakistan, webinar, Wednesday 4 September, 10-11am BST
- English language and admissions, London, Tuesday 10 September, 9.30am–4pm BST
- Evaluating international qualifications, London, Wednesday 11 September, 9.30am– 12.30pm BST
- Combating education fraud, London,
  Wednesday 11 September, 1.30-4.30pm BST

All three face-to-face training sessions are taking place at The Wellington by Blue Orchid Hotels, near Victoria Station, London. READ MORE

#### **European Qualifications Passport for Refugees Assessment Session**



UK ENIC recently supported the latest assessment session for the European Qualifications Passport for Refugees (EQPR) in Lyon, France.

Managed and coordinated by the Council of Europe and France Education International (FEI), the French ENIC-NARIC centre, the assessment session took place at Université Lumière Lyon 2. [Pictured above]

Teams of trained credential evaluators from participating ENIC-NARIC centres interviewed applicants to the EQPR service to better understand their qualifications and skills, and help map information on their education, work experience, and language proficiency.

Henry Huggett, Global Partnerships Manager, represented UK ENIC at the session, and conducted 15 interviews with applicants from Syria, Iraq and Egypt, together with partner evaluators from FEI.

The event also included a day of awareness-raising talks and presentations, bringing together stakeholders and representatives from the Council of Europe and the ENIC-NARIC network, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the host university, various refugee support organisations, and from across the wider local community.

The EQPR is an international initiative led by the Council of Europe and the UNHCR. READ MORE

Recognising microcredentials: free online workshop, 26 September

### 52 qualifications reviewed; resulting in 30 database updates



As part of our ongoing database development work, during recent months UK ENIC has reviewed 52 qualifications, from: Albania, Bangladesh, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Cyprus, Czechia (Czech Republic), Djibouti, France, Greece, Guyana, India, Iraq, Italy, Jamaica, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Mexico, Morocco, the Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Togo, Turkey, Ukraine, the United States of America and Zimbabwe. [Login required for these links.]

The review has resulted in 30 updates to our databases. Members can find out more about these updates by viewing the latest table of qualification level changes. [Login required for this link.] READ MORE



As part of its participation in the Automatic Recognition in the European Education Area 2025 (AR25) project, along with other ENIC-NARICs, UK ENIC invites admissions officers, professional bodies, and others interested in micro-credentials to join a free online workshop.

Focusing on how HEIs can be supported in developing flexible micro-credential recognition procedures, Recognising micro-credentials: from theory to practice, takes place on Thursday 26 September, 8.30am – 11.30am BST.

The virtual workshop will consider available evaluator tools, as well as common stumbling blocks with the recognition of micro-credentials. Registration is available using this link, with a deadline of 16 September.

It is organised in the context of the Erasmus+ cofunded 'Automatic Recognition in the European Education Area 2025' (AR25) project, which aims to support the creation of the European Education Area by 2025. READ MORE

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