



## Embedding Professional Short-Cycle Higher Education in the (Higher) Education System

Official Bologna seminar

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In this second newsletter you can find the most actual draft of the programme. In the last weeks we have spoken to experts in countries, having a lot of experience with the SCHE and the position of institutions offering this kind of programmes. They are willing to share 'good practices' with the participants, coming to Budapest with the idea to bring back home new ideas for all the national discussions on SCHE. And to hear more about the outcomes, conclusions and recommendations of the survey on the current situation of the SCHE in a lot of 'Bologna-countries', which was held in the last year with the help of a lot of national experts, institutions and Ministries of (higher) education. As far as we have seen the conclusions (...), it already can be said that the attention for SCHE as level 5 of the European Qualifications Framework is still growing and growing. It is an important instrument in national education systems for giving more people (youngsters, adult learners...) the opportunity to get a formal degree in higher education and for a 'smooth' transition to a (professional) Bachelor programme. But, enough for the moment in this newsletter - more of this kind of input for the discussions will be available in Budapest...

We are also proud to have presentations and workshops by experts from Canada and the U.S.A. on their SCHE, the Associate degree, having this kind of programmes in Community Colleges and also Universities. The experiences with the situation in those parts of the world – keeping in mind that every State and Province can have its own particular system and strategy to serve the students – will be presented during the seminar as a form of 'inspiration'. And we are also able to compare the way SCHE in general is used in the Bologna-countries with the systems over there. It can also be important for everyone to hear more about 'why' those national and 'local' systems are different and how they can be connected to 'history' and 'traditions' in a country.

Looking at the programme we think that there is enough room for discussions, sharing ideas and networking. If you have not registered yet and you want to meet other experts, don't wait too long.

We will see you in Budapest!

The Organisation Committee

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### Registration

Registration for this seminar is open. On [www.eurashe.eu](http://www.eurashe.eu) you can find an electronic registration form and the information needed to complete it successfully.

A week before the seminar we will send you by e-mail an extra form, about your choices for the participation in workshop sessions.

## Programme

<b>Thursday, January 20, 2011</b>	
12.30 – 13.30	Registration of participants, lunch buffet
13.30 – 13.50	Chair: Ernő Keszei, member Hungarian National Bologna Board, Co-chair of the BFUG Welcome and opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hungarian Ministry for National Resources (MNR)</li> <li>• Hungarian Rectors' Conference / Budapest Business School               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Dr. Eva Sándor-Kriszt, Chair Hungarian Rectors' Conference, Rector Budapest Business School</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• EURASHE               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Michal Karpisek, Vice-president EURASHE</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
13.50 – 15.20	Plenary presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Position SCHE in the EHEA: European and National Policy Level, Findings from the EURASHE survey 'L5 - Missing Link in the Bologna countries' Part 1: National Qualifications Frameworks and the SCHE               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Magda Kirsch, Educonsult, Belgium</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Hungarian situation in the Higher Education Area               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>László Dux, Deputy State Secretary for HE</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Approaches to Quality Assurance in SCHE (Associate degree)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Henri Ponds, NVAO (Dutch-Flemish Accreditation Organisation)</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• SCHE in Higher Education: the opinion of the Hungarian employers               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Dr. László Parragh - President of the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (t.b.c.)</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> Panel Discussion (all presenters) / Questions
15.20 – 15.50	Coffee break
15.50 – 17.10	Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mission and role of SCHE on a national level               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Sylvie Bonichon, France, Bologna promoter / expert SCHE</i></li> <li>- <i>Magda Kirsch, Educonsult, Belgium</i></li> <li>- <i>Henri Ponds, NVAO, the Netherlands</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Role of SCHE, other HE-awards and 'instruments' promoting LLL.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use of embedded awards at SCHE in the Irish Qualifications Framework to promote LLL                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Richard Thorn, IoTI, Ireland</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>- SCHE and other 'instruments' promoting LLL                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Ad Vermeulen, Fontys University of Applied Science, member of the LLL-network in the Netherlands</i></li> <li>- <i>Representative of the Ministry for National Resources, Hungary</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• SCHE and its target groups - specifics of students               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Representative University of Applied Sciences / College</i></li> <li>- <i>Marcell Gáspár - Member of the Presidium, Hungarian National Association for Students</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NQF: Links of SCHE with HE and VET <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Hans Daale, EURASHE, Chair of WG on LLL</i></li> <li>- <i>Representative EUproVET, European Network of National VET Associations</i></li> <li>- <i>Dr. József Roóz, President, Representative Association for Higher Level Vocational Training, Hungary, rector emeritus, BBS</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
17.10 – 17.20	Short break
17.20 – 17.45	Summary of the workshops and plenary discussion
19.30	Official seminar dinner in Restaurant Alma Mater
<b>Friday, January 21, 2011</b>	
09.00 – 10.40	<p>Chair: Michal Karpisek, Vice-President EURASHE</p> <p>Plenary presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short summary of the outcomes of the first day of the seminar</li> <li>• Position of the SCHE in the EHEA - Findings from the EURASHE survey 'L5 – Missing Link in the Bologna countries' Part 2: SCHE and HEIs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Magda Kirsch, Educonsult, Belgium</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• SCHE and Community Colleges in the U.S.A – the situation on a national level and within the American context and strategy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Snejana Slancheva-Durst, University of Toledo / manager of the international project 'SHE-programs in the U.S.A. and in Europe'</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Partnership and progression – the role of vocational short-cycle HE in lifelong learning and employment in Scotland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>John Lewis, manager Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA), Scotland</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Panel Discussion (all presenters) / Questions</p>
10.40 – 11.10	Coffee break
11.10 – 12.30	<p>Workshops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employability: SCHE and the Labour Market, need for specialised qualifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Snejana Slancheva-Durst, University of Toledo, Ohio</i></li> <li>- <i>Dr. János Szilágyi, Director of Education of the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Student centred learning methodology. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Zdenka Steblovnik-Zupan, Slovenia</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Canadian Experience: Community Colleges and HE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Hervé Pilon, President of CEGEP, Community Colleges, Quebec</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Specifics of SCHE: Characteristics and Requirements in a HE context <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>John Lewis, SQA, Scotland</i></li> <li>- <i>Representative Hungarian Rectors' Conference</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

12.30 – 14.00	Lunch buffet in Restaurant Alma Mater
14.00 – 15.00	Summary of the workshops and plenary discussion
15.00 – 15.40	Conclusions of the seminar by the general rapporteur <i>Jiri Nantl, director HE Department, Czech Ministry of Education</i>
15.40 – 16.00	Closing of the seminar

### Costs

Participation in the seminar is free of charge. Also the catering and the dinner are offered by the organisers. But participants have to pay for their own costs for travelling to Budapest and for the hotel.

### Language

All presentations, workshops and discussions will be in English.

### Location of the venue

The venue is situated in the centre of Pest, on the east side of the Danube, in the main building of the Budapest Business School (the Markó utca Building) at Markó utca 29-31, Budapest.

### Hotels

The organisation has made arrangements with three hotels, with different rates and 'luxury'. Of course, every participant is free to book a room in another hotel or booking directly to this hotel using an international 'booking-site', for actual and may be lower prices.

The reservation form with special rates for the Ibis Hotel can be found on the website of EURASHE. The reservation for the NH Hotel has be done directly to the hotel, knowing that participants in the seminar will get a general discount of 10% for the expenses made.

#### 1 NH Hotel

- Address: BP.XIII. Vígyszínház utca 3. H-1137 Budapest (Hungary)
- About 5 minutes on foot from the venue.
- Reservation: [nhbudapest@nh-hotels.com](mailto:nhbudapest@nh-hotels.com)
- Room rates: approx. 70 EUR/room/night (considering the discount).

You can book rooms through the internet directly at the best available rate for the whole required period. Guests will pay for all the service. Upon the check out, you can provide 10% discount on the net room rate for the whole period you are staying in the hotel, which will be deducted from the final amount of the invoice.

#### 2 Ibis Hotel Váci út

- Address: H-1134, Budapest, Dózsa György út 65.
- About 15 minutes to the venue (2 stops using the subway and then 5 minutes on foot).
- Room rates:
  - Room for one person: 42 EUR/room/night
  - Room for two persons: 50 EUR/room/night
- These rates contain all taxes and the buffet breakfast.

Reservation: the reservation form can be downloaded from the seminar website and should be sent back by e-mail to the following e-mail address: [h1685-re@accor.com](mailto:h1685-re@accor.com). Further information

can be found on the website of the hotel: <http://www.ibishotel.com/gb/hotel-1685-ibis-budapest-vaci-ut/index.html>

Method of payment: by cash or by credit card

### *3 Hotel Parlament*

- Address: H-1054. Budapest, Kálmán Imre u. 19.
- About 2 minutes on foot from the venue

Use [www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com) or one of the other websites for hotel reservations for this and other hotels in Budapest.

### **Next newsletter**

The third newsletter will be published in the first week of January.

In this newsletter we will give you a lot of practical informations, about:

- Using taxis, busses and trains
- Venue (map etc.)
- Hungarian currency
- Important telephone numbers
- Cancelling a registration
- List of participants
- Workshops and preferences
- How to travel to the hotels and from there to the venue
- Special needs and wishes (vegetarian food, etc)
- General information about Budapest (if you are staying a few days longer in this beautiful city...)

Are you (already) missing some vital and/or relevant information?

If so, please, send an e-mail to [anja.matthys@eurashe.eu](mailto:anja.matthys@eurashe.eu)