

New Zealand Advisory Group (NZAG)

Thursday 28 July 2016 – meeting notes

The NZAG advises NZQA on current and future recognition projects. The group enables NZQA to capture the views of the main stakeholder groups and government agencies that have a direct, or indirect, interest in this work.

Current recognition projects

- **New Zealand and Hong Kong cooperation**

NZQA provided an update on the project to reference the New Zealand Qualifications Framework (NZQF) and the Hong Kong Qualifications Framework (HKQF). The NZQF and HKQF comparative level summaries and decisions were reviewed. A focus group will be established to gain a sector view on the matching of NZQF levels 6 and 8 to present to Hong Kong.

- **Recognition of New Zealand Bachelor's Degrees by Indonesia**

NZQA provided an update on the project to compare New Zealand and Indonesian Bachelor's Degrees. A draft comparison of Bachelor's Degrees is underway.

- **New Zealand page on the Chinese JSJ Study Abroad website**

The Chinese Embassy has confirmed that the criteria remains unchanged. New Zealand education institutions that meet criteria determined by the Chinese authorities are eligible to be listed on the Chinese Ministry of Education's Jiaoyu Shewai Jianguan Xinxiwang (JSJ) Study Abroad website. NZQA works cooperatively with the Chinese Embassy in New Zealand to manage and monitor the list. Please contact Angela Gordon, Senior Policy Analyst on angela.gordon@nzqa.govt.nz if you have any questions.

- **China Academic Degrees and Graduate Education Development Center (CDGDC) and NZQA joint project**

NZQA provided an update on the CDGDC-NZQA joint project and noted that the project has been postponed due to delays in translation.

- **Update on other jurisdictions**

An update was provided on our work with other jurisdictions including Bahrain, Colombia, Chile, Europe, Malaysia and Qatar.

- **Expanding the Global Reach of the NZQF**

The new infographic to explain NZQA's international work was shared, and will be distributed at the New Zealand International Education Conference 2016 in Auckland.

- **The comparability of Qualifications in New Zealand and Malaysia: A Comparative Analysis of Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral Degrees**

The publication of the comparability of New Zealand and Malaysian Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral Degrees was shared with NZAG members at the meeting and is available to download from the NZQA website at this link:

<http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/our-role/our-role-in-international-education/country-specific-recognition-arrangements/malaysia/>