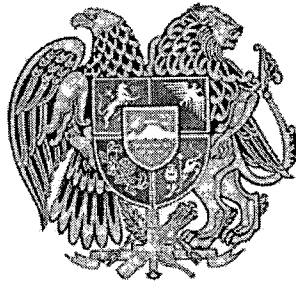


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Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of the Republic of Armenia I would like to hereby attest the following:

- As part of the activities under the Erasmus+ CBHE (574273-EPP-1-2016-1-AM-EPPKA2-CBHE-S) project “Promoting internationalization of research through establishment and operationalization of Cycle 3 Quality Assurance System in line with the European Integration Agenda” (C3QA), the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport in Armenia initiated the development of national policy frameworks for Doctoral Education in line with the European integration agenda in the period between 2017-2019 in parallel with the Erasmus+ C3QA project lifetime.

- Within the frameworks of doctoral education reforms, the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of RA reviewed all the regulatory frameworks for the Cycle 3 Education as a result of which changes have been made in the Minister’s order on “The Regulation of the introduction of credit system in postgraduate professional educational programs” that is directed to the enhancement of research component within the Cycle 3 education.

- It should be mentioned that currently there is no legal basis for postgraduate education as a third level of higher education in Armenia. The Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport, as structural project partner, integrated the elaborations and conceptual suggestions generated within the

C3QA project in its draft Law on Higher Education and Research. Once Law on Higher Education and Research is adopted, the Concept of Doctoral Education will be developed by the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of RA, to be followed by the addition of the Criteria and Standards for doctoral education that is inspired by the relevant recommendations within the C3QA project.

- Furthermore, due to its involvement in the C3QA project and based on the project outcomes the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of RA proposed to the Armenian Government to include the Concept on the Development and Implementation of reforms approved by the Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sport in the governmental program, and the suggestion has been approved. The elaboration of the above mentioned Concept, that addresses overall and comprehensive reforms of Cycle 3 programmes in Armenia, is underway.

Sincerely yours,

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5/5/2020

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