

European Network for Accreditation of Engineering Education

The European Network for the
Accreditation
of Engineering Education (ENAEE)
awarding the EUR-ACE® label
(www.enaee.eu)

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ENAEE authorizes accreditation agencies to award the EUR-ACE Label to engineering degree programmes they accredit, at Bachelor and Master degree level.



Accreditation agencies





B.Eng & M.Eng
Degree
programmes

In order to be granted the authority to award the EUR-ACE Label, an accreditation agency must satisfy ENAEE that it carries out programme accreditation in accordance with the EUR-ACE Framework Standards (EFS) of ENAEE.

Accreditation agency



Respect of EUR-ACE Framework Standards

Authority to award the EUR-ACE Label



The origins of ENAEE ...

- 2000 ESOEPE: European Standing Observatory ...
- 2004 two EU funded projects on the EUR-ACE Label: EUR-ACE (EU countries, LLP programme; PRO-EAST, partner countries, TEMPUS programme)
- 2006 Establishment of ENAEE
- 2007 First six agencies authorized to award the EUR-ACE Label
- 2008 EUR-ACE Spread Project
- 2009 Seventh agency authorized
- 2012 QUEECA spreading the EUR-ACE label to Central Asia
- 2013 Nine agencies now authorized. Two candidate

Agencies in final stage of authorization process: OAQ (Switzerland) and KAUT (Poland)

List of Authorised Agencies, September 2013

FRANCE – CTI – Commission des Titres d'Ingénieur. <u>www.cti-commission.fr</u>. **GERMANY** - ASIIN– Fachakkreditierungsagentur für Studiengänge der Ingenieurwissenschaften, der Informatik, der Naturwissenschaften, und der Mathematik e.V. <u>www.asiin.de</u>

IRELAND - Engineers Ireland - <u>www.engineersireland.ie</u>

ITALY- QUACING – Agenzia per la Certificazione di Qualità e

l'Accreditamento EUR-ACE dei Corsi di Studio in Ingegneria – www.quacing.it

PORTUGAL – Ordem dos Engenheiros – <u>www.ordemengenheiros.pt</u>

RUSSIA – AEER – Association for Engineering Education in

Russia. www.aeer.ru.

ROMANIA – ARACIS – The Romanian Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education - <u>www.aracis.ro</u>

TURKEY – MÜDEK – Association for Evaluation and Accreditation of Engineering Programmes. <u>www.mudek.tr</u>

UK - Engineering Council – <u>www.engc.org.uk</u>

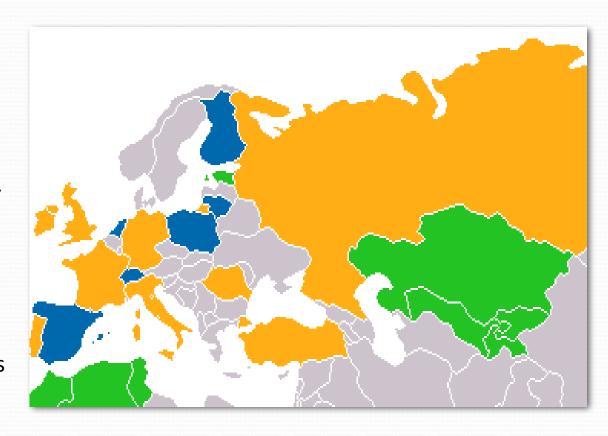
Europe and the EUR-ACE system: the most advanced system of field-specific professional accreditation in Europe

Legend

Yellow: countries with agencies authorized to deliver the EUR-ACE label

Blue: Countries with agencies being under review to deliver the "EUR-ACE "label

Green: Mentoring/EU-Projects



Members of ENAEE

ENAEE has currently 17 full members and 3 associate members through **Engineering Organisations**, **Accreditation Agencies**, **Others**

Full members

FEANI- Belgium - http://www.feani.org

ENGINEERING COUNCIL - United Kingdom - http://www.engc.org.uk
CTL Commission doe Titude d'Ingénieure France http://www.engc.org.uk

CTI – Commission des Titres d'Ingénieur –France - http://www.cti-commission.fr

ASIIN – Germany - http://www.asiin-ev.de/pages/de/asiin-e.-v.php
ORDEM DOS ENGENHEIROS -Portugal -

http://www.ordemdosengenheiros.pt

CoPI – Conferenza dei Presidi delle Facolta' di Ingegneria Italiane <u>–</u> Italy - http://www.confpresing.it

ENGINEERS IRELAND - Ireland -http://www.engineersireland.ie

AEER – Association for Engineering Education in Russia - Russia - http://aeer.ru/en

EUROCADRES - Conseil des Cadres Européens - Belgium -

http://www.eurocadres.eu

UNIFI – Scuola di Ingegneria dell'Universita degli Studi di Firenze - Italy - http://www.unifi.it

IDA - The Danish Society of Engineers - Denmark - http://www.ida.dk

BBT - Switzerland - http://www.bbt.admin.ch

MÜDEK - Association for Evaluation and Accreditation of Engineering Programs

- Turkey - http://www.mudek.org.tr

IIE - Instituto de la Ingenieria de Espana - Spain - http://www.iies.es

ARACIS - The Romanian Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education -

Romania - http://www.aracis.ro

TEK – Finnish Association of Graduate Engineers – Finland – http://www.tek.fi QUACING – Italy – http://www.quacing.it

Associate Members

CLAIU- Belgium - http://www.claiu.org

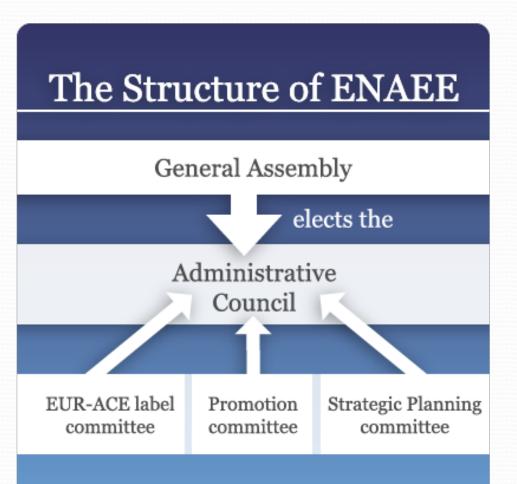
SEFI - Société Européenne pour la Formation d'Ingénieur

Belgium - http://www.sefi.be

IGIP - International Society for Engineering Education -

Austria - http://www.igip.org

Structure of ENAEE



- General Assembly (20 members)
- Administrative Council (9 elected members including President, two Vice-Presidents and Treasurer)
- Label Committee (Nine qualified representatives of authorised agencies)
- Promotion Committee (Chair and nine members appointed by Administrative Council)

EUR-ACE Label Authorisation Process for applicant accreditation agencies (1)

- 1. Mentoring Process (optional)
- 2. Application submitted to ENAEE by the agency
- 3. ENAEE Label Committee establishes three person Review Team from its membership.
- 4. Application studied by Review Team to consider if agency satisfies EUR-ACE Framework Standards
- 5. Review Team conducts site visit to country of applicant agency, including the observance of two accreditation visits and a meeting of the decision making council of the agency.

EUR-ACE Label Authorisation Process for applicant accreditation agencies (2)

- 6. Review Team makes recommendation to Label Committee
- 7. Label Committee makes recommendation to ENAEE Administrative Council
- 8. ENAEE Administrative Council makes decision to accept or reject Label Committee recommendation.
- 9. If successful, ENAEE issues certificate to authorised agency.

Total duration of process: approx. 12 months

Benefits for Students/Graduates

- Assurance that the EUR-ACE® programmes they graduated from meet high European and international standards
- Being enrolled in a "EUR-ACE" accredited course facilitates horizontal and vertical mobility application to EUR-ACE® Bachelor and Masters programmes in other HEIs (the ECTNA goes one step further)
- International recognition of degrees as meeting academic standards (link to ERIC/NARICS essential)
- Professional Recognition: Graduates from "EUR-ACE" accredited course have their academic qualifications automatically accepted; regulatory bodies accept EUR-ACE® labelled programmes as meeting requirements for chartered engineer; "EUR-ACE" programs first step of the professional card

Benefits for HEIs

- Assurance that programme meets quality standards set by the European engineering community, interesting marketing tool
- In some cases the EUR-ACE accreditation might develop the capacity to substitute state recognition of programs; automatic inclusion of EUR-ACE"-accredited courses in the FEANI index; integral first step for the European professional card
- Benchmarked against other European programmes, basis for QA of joint/double degree programs
- Reliable information on quality of Bachelor programmes for admission for Master programmes
- Incentives for students to choose EUR-ACE labelled programmes; The European Commission has identified "EUR-ACE" as best practice

Benefits for employers

Successful completion of EUR-ACE labelled programme assures:

- •Competences of graduates: Candidate's knowledge, understanding and practical capabilities meet international standards
- •Reliable information on quality of degree program
- •Not only academic standard of programme checked but also relevance for profession
- •Complement to Diploma Supplement

Benefits for accreditation agencies

- Offering additional quality label to customers (HEIs)
- Certification of quality of accreditation agency according to ESG *and* employers' requirements
- Alternative Route into the EQAR (1)
- Integration into European network of engineering professionals
- Possibility to accredit in other European countries and beyond in which no authorized agency are operating

(1) European Quality Assurance Register in Higher Education

Benefits for professional engineers organizations

- Guarantee that graduates meet educational requirements for entering into their registers (if organisation has set its educational standard at EUR-ACE level)
- FEANI automatically includes the EUR-ACE® accredited programmes in its Index of European recognized engineering programmes; EUR-ACE automatically recognized as first step in the professional card for Engineers

Number of EUR-ACE Labels awarded up to June 2013:

Over 1200 engineering degree programmes in 170 universities in 15 countries have been awarded the EUR-ACE Label by the nine authorized accreditation agencies. These are listed on the publicly accessible database on the ENAEE website

Thank you