



## Higher Education representatives head to Rome for 2nd European Quality Assurance Forum (15-17<sup>th</sup> November 2007)

**8<sup>th</sup> November 2007.** Around four hundred higher education representatives, students, researchers in higher education and quality assurance specialists from across Europe and beyond will gather at Sapienza Università di Roma, Italy, later this month (15-17th November 2007) to take part in the 2nd European Quality Assurance Forum .

Following the success of last year's event, the theme this year will be "Implementing and using quality assurance: strategy and practice". The Socrates-funded event is again co-organised by the E4 group: the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA), the European Students Union (ESU), the European University Association (EUA) and the European Association of Institutions in Higher Education (EURASHE).

The 2007 Forum will explore how universities should implement external and internal quality assurance processes and how to use the outcomes. It will highlight frameworks for action and enable participants to exchange practical examples of how to undertake evaluations.

The three-day programme includes plenary sessions on five central themes and a series of interactive workshops that will enable participants to discuss in depth specific tools such as student evaluations, implementing learning outcomes, and the reviews of QA agencies.

In the London Communiqué which resulted from the recent Bologna Ministerial summit, it was noted that the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area adopted in Bergen (ESG) have been a powerful driver of change in relation to quality assurance. The European QA Forum has been welcomed by Europe's Ministers of Education as a vital platform for sharing good practice and to ensure that the quality of higher education in Europe continues to improve.

To find out more about the conference, please visit: [www.eua.be](http://www.eua.be)

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