

[Dry Coat-of-Arms of Montenegro] Agency for Control and Quality Assurance of Higher Education

Number: 02-607/21-21/5 UP Podgorica, 15th June 2021

Pursuant to Article 18 of the Law on Administrative Procedure ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 56/14, 20/15, 40/16 and 37/17), in connection with Articles 13a, 28 and 97 of the Law on Higher Education ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 44/14, 52/14, 47/15, 40/16, 42/17, 71/17, 55/18, 3/19, 17/19 - other laws, 47 / 19, 72/19 and 74/20), as well as Articles 14 and 15 of the Rules on the procedure of accreditation of lifelong learning programmes, in the decision-making procedure on the request number 02-607/21-6/1 from 01.04.2021. for the accreditation of a special training programme "Environmental Water Quality Monitoring" within the Faculty for Food Technology, Food Safety and Ecology at the University of Donja Gorica, the Agency for Control and Quality Assurance of Higher Education on June 15th, 2021, has adopted the following

DECISION

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The request for the accreditation of a special training programme entitled "Environmental Water Quality Monitoring" in duration of one semester, with the load of 30 ECTS, within the Faculty for Food Technology, Food Safety and Ecology at the University of Donja Gorica, located in Podgorica, HAS BEEN ADOPTED.

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The issuance of the accreditation certificate of a special training programme entitled "Environmental Water Quality Monitoring" within the Faculty for Food Technology, Food Safety and Ecology at the University of Donja Gorica, for the period of five years from the date of this decision **HAS BEEN APPROVED.**

Rationale

The Faculty for Food Technology, Food Safety and Ecology, as an organizational unit of the University of Donja Gorica, located in Podgorica, submitted to the Agency for Control and Quality Assurance of Higher Education a request, number 02-607/21-6/1, on April 1, 2021 for the accreditation of a special training programme entitled "Environmental Water Quality Monitoring", in duration of one semester, with the load of 30 ECTS.

To implement the accreditation procedure of the special training programme entitled "Environmental Water Quality Monitoring", the Agency, by decision number 02-607/21-6/3 of

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28:05 2021. established the Commission for the Accreditation of the abovementioned training programme, composed of the following experts: prof. dr Nedeljko Latinović in the capacity of the President of the Commission, prof. dr Merica Slišković and prof. dr Jela Ikanović, who were members of the Commission.

The task of the Accreditation Commission was to review the submitted request, other relevant documentation, and to submit to the Agency, based on a comprehensive factual review, a report on the evaluation of the quality of the special training programme, its compliance with academic and professional needs and adopted standards, i.e. to evaluate if the training and its structure provides the individual with learning outcomes for acquiring competencies and issuing certificates for performing related tasks in the fields of work in higher education as defined in the national qualifications framework. In accordance with the above, the Accreditation Commission, in accordance with the Law on Higher Education and other applicable bylaws, prepared a report on the accreditation of the special training programme "Environmental Water Quality Monitoring" and submitted it to the Agency for further action.

In the Report of the Accreditation Commission under the number 02-607/21-21/4 of 10.06.2021 it was stated that a special training programme, which was submitted for the accreditation by the Faculty for Food Technology, Food Safety and Ecology as an organizational unit of the University of Donja Gorica, meets the necessary conditions for its implementation. Namely, the Accreditation Commission is of the opinion that due to the need to preserve water resources and considering the legislation and strategies of the European Union and Montenegro's obligations in their adoption and implementation, it is necessary to constantly educate professional staff in this field and that the establishment of this special training programme is justified from the aspect of environmental protection as well. Furthermore, the Report states that this training programme has its economic justification too, since it will be implemented within the ERASMUS+ project called ECOBIAS (Ecological Monitoring and Aquatic Bioassessment), and that the results of a survey conducted within this project have showed that there is an interest in organizing the programme. Also, the expert Commission is of the opinion that the mentioned programme represents an excellent opportunity for acquiring a professional qualification using the support programmes of the European Union funds. In order to further improve the quality of the programme, the Accreditation Commission expects the Faculty to take into account and implement all the recommendations given in this Report. As it was assessed that the special training programme "Environmental Water Quality Monitoring" meets all the standards set by the Law on Higher Education, as well as other bylaws, the Commission proposed to the Agency to accept the request for the accreditation.

In accordance with its legal accountabilities, the Agency reviewed the submitted Report on accreditation of a special training programme, based on which it adopted a request for its accreditation within the Faculty for Food Technology, Food Safety and Ecology at the University of Donja Gorica, and approved the issuance of the accreditation certificate for the period of five years from the date of this decision.

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Based on all the above, it was decided as in the enacting clause of this decision.

LEGAL ADVICE: An administrative dispute may be initiated against this decision before the Administrative Court of Montenegro, within 20 days from the day of its receipt.

Prilog: Izvještaj ekspertske komisije

Attachment: Report of the Accreditation Commission

DIRECTOR

Prof. dr Srđa Popović

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