



File: 7.14. 100.004

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**FINAL REPORT OF THE AGENCY OF QUALITY ASSURANCE AND ACCREDITATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

**EVALUATION-ACCREDITATION**

**OF THE PROGRAM OF STUDIES UNDER THE NAME:**

**“Marine Engineering (4 years /240 ECTS, Bachelor of Science)”**

**OF “INTERCOLLEGE” (Larnaca) - - INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

The current final report was prepared according to Article (20) (2) (f) (iii) of the Law for the Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Higher Education and the establishment of the Agency for related matters of 2015 and 2016 [N. 136 (I) 2015 and N.47 (I) 2016].

**THE PROCEDURE:**

On the 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016, the legal representative of the Institution ‘Intercollege’ (Larnaca), submitted an application (document no. 200.1), according to Article (17) of the Law for the Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Higher Education and the establishment of the Agency for related matters of 2015 and 2016, for the evaluation-accreditation of the Program of Studies under the trade name:

**“Marine Engineering (4 years / 240 ECTS, Bachelor of Science)”**

The application is submitted under the file: 7. 14. 100.004

In the frame of competences provided by the relevant Legislation, the Council of the Agency has set an External Evaluation Committee (EEC) which after it had studied the application of the institution for evaluation-accreditation of the program of studies, it visited the institution on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

The EEC met the Head of the Institution, the Head of the relevant program, the Coordinator of the Program of Study, members of the faculty, members of the administration, students and/or their representatives and the Internal Quality Assurance Committee.

In addition, the Agency examined the Institution’s facilities (library, computer laboratories, the infrastructure research etc., various documents that were presented and/or asked to be seen by the Agency, the organizational chart of the Institution as well as the insertion of the program to it, the program’s faculty members’ resumes and their relationship with the Institution as teaching professionals in accordance to other possible responsibilities they hold at the institution or/ and in other Programs of Studies.

The EEC validated the findings and its recommendations which were documented in the official External Evaluation Report documented by the no. 300.1.1.

### The Agency Council's Decision

The Council of Agency for the Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education, during its 14<sup>th</sup> assembly on the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017, according to Article (20) (2) (f) (iii) of the Law for the Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Higher Education and the establishment of the Agency for related matters of 2015 and 2016 [N. 136 (I) 2015 and N.47 (I) 2016], the EEC's recommendations and the Final Report of your Institution decided the accreditation of the program. Fulfilling the quality criteria in evaluation areas i.e., the quality and the teaching effectiveness, teaching and the teaching faculty, the program of study and its administration, the research and its synergy with teaching, the services and resources' efficiency.

The start of the Spring semester will be considered as the start of the current accreditation for the academic year 2016-2017.

According to Article (4) of the relevant legislation, it is noted that "the aforementioned Accreditation is valid for the time period specified in the provisions of the Law, and it is repeated every five (5) years and the procedure starts after the institution's application which need to be submitted at least sixteen (16) months before the end of the prior accreditation".

Furthermore, according to Article (17) (3) (f) "during the validity of the positive decision for Accreditation, the Council of the Agency, on its own motion or following the Minister's suggestion, can examine whether the Accreditation's criteria are still fulfilled and if not, then the Council of the Agency can revoke the decision for Accreditation and immediately inform the Institution under question and the Minister".

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and Accreditation in Higher Education Agency

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