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*Comisión Nacional de Evaluación y Acreditación Universitaria*

**DAAD – HRK**

**Enhancing Quality Across Borders**

**Regional Cooperation in Quality Assurance in  
Higher Education**

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Latin America  
Agencies and  
ministry offices  
for evaluation  
and  
accreditation



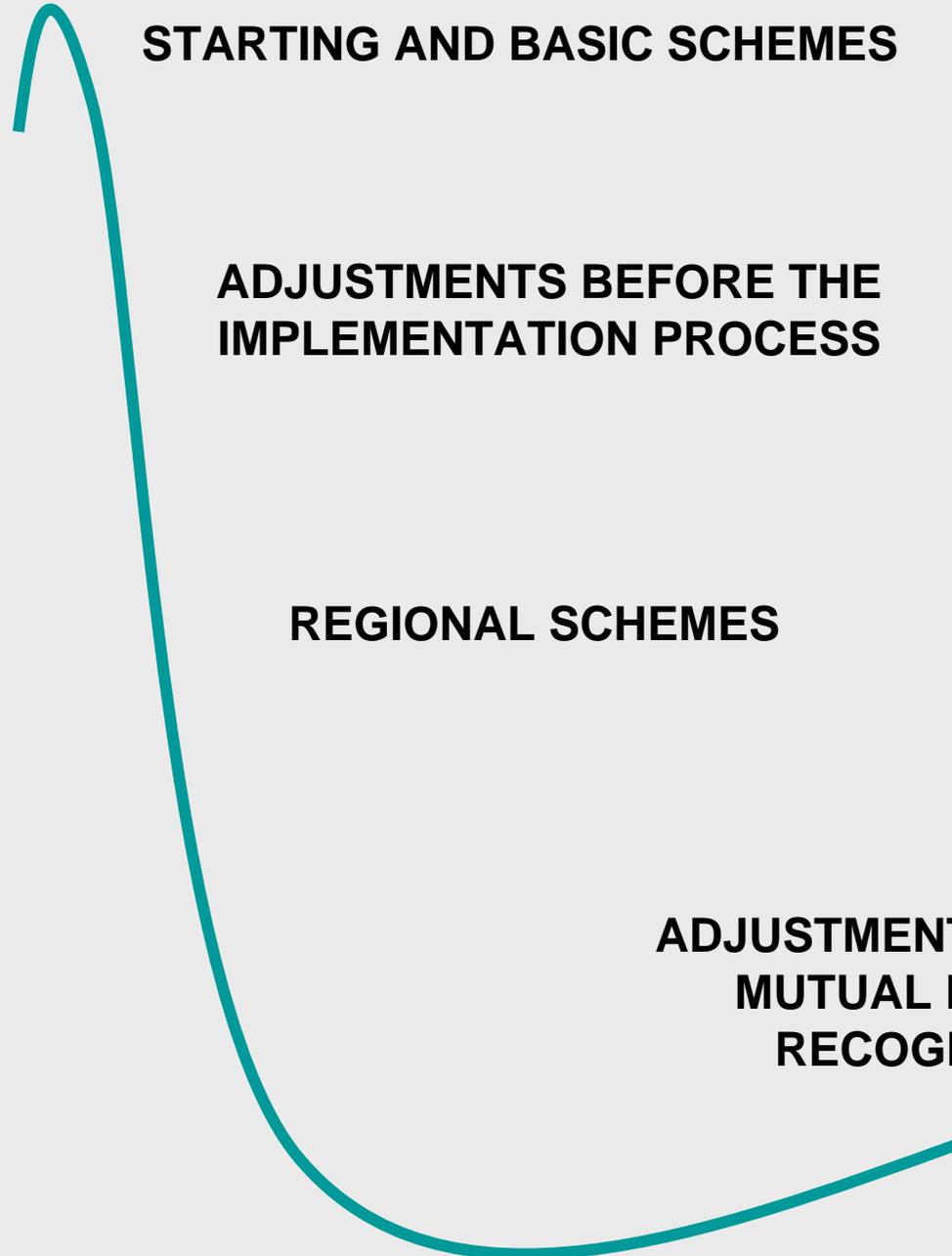
**Phases for the definition of quality assurance mechanisms and practices involved in evaluation and accreditation**

**STARTING AND BASIC SCHEMES**

**ADJUSTMENTS BEFORE THE IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS**

**REGIONAL SCHEMES**

**ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MUTUAL FORMAL RECOGNITION**



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**■ STARTING SCHEMES**

**Contextualized Self-Evaluation**

**Peer review evaluation**

**Final Report Publication**

**Development and publication of the evaluating instruments**

**Production of information**

**Cooperation among the agencies**

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**Continuous improvement of the evaluated  
units**

**Validation of instruments and indicators**

**The incorporation of foreign peer evaluators**

**Reports on the State of the Evaluation, impact  
analysis**

**National Evaluation and accountability of the  
agencies**

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## ■ REGIONAL SCHEMES

**Agencies Networks**

**RIACES** - Red Iberoamericana para la Acreditación de la Calidad de la Educación Superior

**Harmonization and Convergence of evaluation criteria**

**MEXA**

**Harmonization and Convergence of the requirements and training for peer evaluators**

**International Evaluation of agencies**

## MEXA

### MERCOSUR

#### Accreditation

#### Experimental

#### Mechanism of

#### Higher Studies

#### Accreditation for

#### the Mutual

#### Recognition of

#### Degrees

### MERCOSUR

countries as well as

in Bolivia and Chile



#### ■ The purpose of MEXA

#### ■ Decision-making steps

#### ■ Accreditation Procedures

#### ■ Tools

#### ■ Evaluators

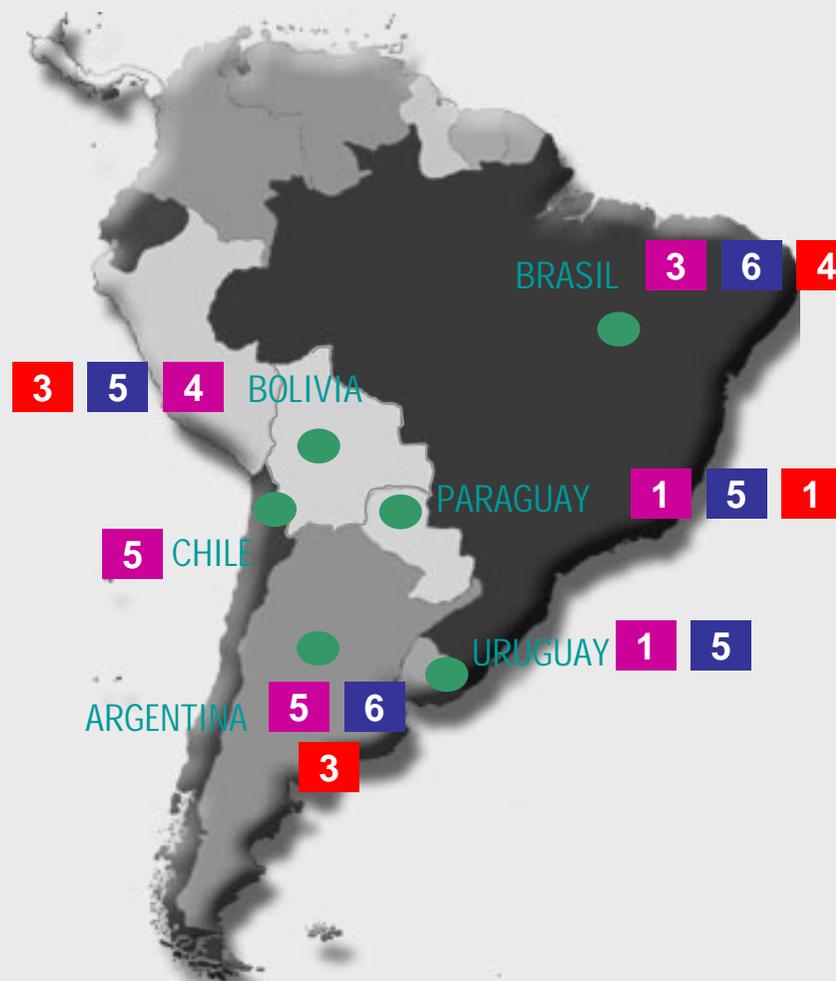
#### ■ Results

**MEXA**

**Agronomy: 19**

**Engineering: 27**

**Medicine: 11**



**180 enabled evaluators**

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accreditation**

**■ ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MUTUAL FORMAL  
RECOGNITION**

**Are these actions enough for the mutual  
recognition of degrees?**

**Program quality accreditation and the  
recognition**

**Agencies' actual coverage**

**Frequency of evaluation and accreditation  
rounds**

**Transparency in the peer evaluator records  
within the register of experts**

**Relationship between quality assurance and  
the diffusion of recognized programs**

## SYNTHESIS AND NEEDS

- I. Contextualized Evaluation
- II. Peer review evaluation
- III. Final Report Publication
- IV. Development and publication of the evaluating instruments
- V. Production of information
- VI. Cooperation among the agencies
- VII. Continuous improvement of the evaluated units
- VIII. Validation of instruments and indicators
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- X. Reports on the State of the Evaluation – Impact Analysis
- XI. National Evaluation and accountability of the agencies
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## COOPERATION

**To increase the amount of knowledge**

**To build a reliable and sustainable platform for the convergence and mutual recognition**

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