Arab States Network for Quality Assurance in Higher education

1. The Arab States Network for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ANQAHE) is a regional network established in connection Association of Arab Universities (AArU).

2. ANQAHE is launched on the 9th of June, 2007

3. ANQAHE is an independent non-profit organization established in association with the International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQAAHE).

4. Arabic is the official language of the Network. English may be also used in any of ANQAHE’s operations and communications.

5. The mission of ANQAHE is “To ensure and strengthen the quality assurance of higher education institutions, to enhance the collaboration between similar quality assurance bodies or organizations in the Arab states and to develop cooperation with other regional and international quality assurance organizations and networks.

6. The goals of ANQAHE are to: i) Support and enhance quality assurance organizations in the arab State. ii) Develop the human resources and establish a mechanism of cooperation in the field of quality assurance in higher education in the Arab States. iii) initiate and sustain regional and international cooperation in quality assurance in higher education. iv) exchange information on quality assurance in higher education between Arab States.
7. The main objectives of ANQAHE are: i) to promote and disseminate good practice of quality assurance in higher education in the Arab States region; i) to establish standards, guidelines, to assist the development of new quality assurance agencies in the region. ii) to enhance continuous improvement and capacity building for quality assurance agencies in the region; iii) to facilitate links and communication between quality assurance agencies in the Arab region; iv) to provide platform for information on quality assurance standards, good practices, professional institutional and programs reviewers among member organizations; v) to develop a platform of information on qualification framework, recognized educational institutions and accredited programs in the region; vi) to assist members of ANQAHE to determine standards of institutions operating across national borders; vii) to assist in the development and use of credit transfer schemes to enhance the mobility of students between institutions both within and across national borders; viii) to enable members of ANQAHE to have information on the credit hours system to facilitate student mobility in the Arab region; ix) to facilitate research in the field of Quality Assurance in higher education in the region; x) where appropriate, represent the region and promote the interests of the region, e.g. vis-à-vis other networks and international organizations; xi) provide the service of evaluating the quality assurance agencies upon request.

8. ANQAHE achieves its objectives through a range of methods, including: dissemination of information through the website of the network, newsletters, documents, journals and books, whether in paper-based or electronic form; ii) reference to the databases, good practice and other resources of other regional and international networks, iii) organization of seminars, workshops and conferences at both regional, sub-regional levels or for members; iv) exchange visits for reviewers and other experts working in quality assurance of higher education; v) assist in mutual recognition between different quality assurance bodies in the Arab region; vi) other appropriate means as determined by the General Council or the Board.
9. Membership: ANQAHE has two categories of membership: Full Member and Associate Member

10. Governing Bodies: The governing bodies and authorities of ANQAHE are the General assembly, the Board and the Secretariat