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The article provides an analysis of the Bologna-inspired reforms related to the quality assurance in Georgia. Following the 2003 'Rose revolution', some have pronounced Georgia as a model of success and as a reference for other post-Soviet states that have embarked on the Bologna reforms. Positive assessments of international and governmental actors however come in contradiction with the growing concerns regarding the reality of reforms expressed by the domestic actors. The study assesses the situation and puts forward the factors that can explain what causes and sustains this contradiction. The article also discusses the very notion of success of such reforms in a transition country. (HRK / Abstract übernommen)