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Abstract

The Bologna Process has brought widespread developments in higher education throughout the European continent and beyond. There are even countries that have adopted the Bologna Process without being a signatory of the Bologna Declaration. Kosovo is such a case. Kosovo started implementing the Bologna Process in 2001 although it was never formally admitted as a member. This article explores why Kosovo implements the Bologna Process despite not being a member country and explains how Kosovo decided to adopt the Bologna Process. It discusses the reforms undertaken, and the improvements in the national higher education system triggered by these Bologna reforms. It also points out the challenges that Kosovo is facing, resulting from the fact that the country is not a formal member of the Bologna Process. Finally, the article argues that Kosovo has adopted the Bologna Process as a model of reforming its higher education system, and concludes that it would hugely encourage the country if it became an official member of the Bologna Process and thus the EHEA. (HRK / Abstract übernommen)