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## **Decision**

International Accreditation of the Study Programmes offered by Chernihiv Polytechnic National University: Fulfilment of Conditions

Dear Mr. Oleksandrovych,

On July 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 the ZEvA Commission took the following decision concerning the international accreditation of study programmes at CPNU:

The ZEvA Commission follows the experts' report and recommendations and takes note of the university's response.

The Commission decides to accredit the following degree programmes offered by Cernihiv Polytechnic National University for a period of six years:

- Bachelor's programme in Economics (Bachelor of Economics)
- Master's programme in Tourism (Master of Arts)
- Doctoral programme in Management (Ph.D.)
- Doctoral programme in Economics (Ph.D.)

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The accreditation is awarded under the following two pre-conditions:

- The course handbooks need to be thoroughly revised to adequately reflect the qualification level of the study programmes and the range of competencies acquired by the students. The chosen methods of teaching and assessment must be constructively aligned with the ILOs and should be described as precisely as possible for each course. The language(s) of teaching should also be named in the course description.
- POPNU has to develop clear internal standards and guidelines for the design of its student assessment system. These guidelines should be based on the principles of competence-orientation and constructive alignment and should clearly differentiate between the BA, MA and doctoral level. Especially independent problem-solving-skills, critical-analytical skills and deductive thinking need to be more strongly integrated into the assessment scheme of CPNU. In addition, binding internal standards and requirements for MA theses and doctoral theses, which reflect the general standards of the international scientific community for these qualification levels, need to be formulated.

Upon fulfilment of the pre-conditions, the accreditation period will start and the accreditation certificate will be issued.

Furthermore, the accreditation is awarded under the following conditions:

- 1. CPNU must develop a binding policy for the recognition of qualifications acquired in academic and non-academic contexts outside CPNU. The policy must outline the exact recognition procedure as well as the recognition criteria and must adhere to the fundamental principles of the Lisbon Convention (reversal of the burden of proof).
- 2. The questionnaires used for course evaluations need to be re-designed, especially by taking the following measures:
  - Asking only for one specific information with each question (avoid double-barrelled questions)
  - Assessing whether students feel that they have actually acquired the desired competencies
  - o Enabling students to express their wishes in an "open-comment" section
  - Assessing the actual student workload in each questionnaire
  - Introducing a standardized assessment scale (currently, students and graduates can express their level of satisfaction in points, percentages and letters)
- 3. Central documents like the application procedure, admission and examination regulations as well as curricula must be published in English on the university website.

The conditions have to be fulfilled within 12 months upon awarding of the accreditation, or at any earlier point in time.

This decision is based on the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG), the Framework of Qualifications of the European Higher Education Area and the recommendations of the ECTS Users' Guide as referred to in the ZEvA Manual for the External Assessment of Study Programmes.

In February 2023, Chernihiv Polytechnic National University provided ZEvA with several documents in order to prove the fulfilment of the above quoted <u>three conditions</u> as stipulated by the Commission. At that point in time, the two-preconditions had already been fulfilled.

The documents were forwarded to the external expert panel for notification and comment.

The ZEvA Commission has discussed the fulfilment of the conditions during its meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The Commission has taken the following decision:

Based on the documents provided by Chernihiv Polytechnic National University, as well as the experts' feedback thereupon, the ZEvA Commission concludes that the conditions stipulated in July 2021 are fulfilled.

As a result, the accreditation of the study programmes is awarded until 30 September 2027.

This decision is based on the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG), the Framework of Qualifications of the European Higher Education Area and the recommendations of the ECTS Users' Guide as referred to in the ZEVA Manual for the External Assessment of Study Programmes.

The accreditation is issued under the reservation of withdrawal, should any of the prerequisites for the experts' report and the decision become invalid.

## Notification of extraordinary legal remedy:

Complaints against this decision can be filed within a period of one month after receipt of the decision. The complaint must be made in writing and must state the reasons therefor. It is to be addressed towards: Geschäftsstelle der ZEvA, -Revisionskommission-, Lilienthalstraße 1, 30179 Hannover.

Kind regards

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