

Guidance 10(i) Recognition of Category 1 Institutions - evidence to be provided by the sponsor

| Institution type | Evidence to be provided by the sponsor and to be included in institutional recognition template |
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| Institutionally approved partners of MU | <p>Recognition is through MU institutional approval. Confirmation is needed that the prospective partner is an existing institutionally approved partner. Partners are on a list kept by AQS available at http://www.intra.mdx.ac.uk/ouruniversity/services/clte/institutional-approval/index.aspx</p> |
| UK universities and other HE institutions with degree awarding powers in their own right | <p>Recognition is via QAA endorsement. Confirmation is needed that the prospective partner is on the list of QAA recognised institutions and that QAA has confidence in the assurance standards of that institution. The latter will be evident from institutional and collaborative provision audit reports.</p> <p>A list of all HEIs with degree awarding powers recognised by the QAA can be found at http://www.qaa.ac.uk The most recent audit report is available at http://www.intra.mdx.ac.uk/ouruniversity/services/academic-quality-service/institutional-review/index.aspx</p> |
| UK HE institutions without degree awarding powers accredited by another HE institution with degree awarding powers in their own right | <p>Recognition is via accreditation by another UK university. Confirmation is needed that that the prospective partner is accredited by another UK HE institution with degree awarding powers, and that there is explicit QAA approval of the HEI's accreditation processes. The latter can be found in the institutional review report.</p> <p>Confirmation of accreditation should be sought from the accrediting UK HEI. The most recent audit report is available at http://www.qaa.ac.uk/InstitutionReports/Pages/default.aspx</p> |
| UK FE Colleges with existing expertise in delivering HE provision | <p>Recognition is via recognition of the institution by an appropriate quality assurance body, e.g. QCA. Evidence is needed that that the prospective partner is recognised by the relevant body.</p> <p>Confirmation of this should be sought from the approving body's website.</p> |
| Reputable private UK education providers with recent expertise of collaboration with other UK HEIs in the delivery of HE provision | <p>Recognition is via current or past approval of the institution by another UK HEI. Confirmation is needed that the prospective partner is or recently has been a collaborative partner of that HEI in the delivery of HE provision.</p> <p>Confirmation of this should be sought from the HEI.</p> |
| State EU and overseas universities and other HE and FE institutions/organisations with internationally recognised degree | <p>Recognition is via government accreditation/approval. Confirmation is needed that the prospective partner is government approved/accredited. Confirmation should be sought via UK NARIC.</p> <p>In addition, information on the approval/accreditation process is</p> |

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| <p>awarding powers in their own country.</p> | <p>needed. Most agencies/bodies in European countries will be members of the European Register of Quality Assurance Agencies (ENQA) and ENQA membership will be sufficient to assure the Collaborations sub-Committee that its approval processes are rigorous. For all other countries additional information on the accreditation/recognition process is needed, which may be via UK NARIC.</p> <p>A list of current ENQA members can be found at http://www.enqa.eu/index.php/enqa-agencies/</p> |
| <p>State recognised or accredited private EU and overseas universities and other HE and FE institutions/ organisations with or without degree awarding powers in their own right</p> | <p>Recognition is via government accreditation/approval. Confirmation is needed that the prospective partner is government approved/accredited. Confirmation should be sought via UK NARIC.</p> <p>In addition, information on the approval/accreditation process is needed. Most agencies/bodies in European countries will be members of the European Register of Quality Assurance Agencies (ENQA) and ENQA membership will be sufficient to assure the Collaborations sub-Committee that its approval processes are rigorous. For all other countries additional information on the accreditation/recognition process is needed, which may be via UK NARIC.</p> |