

Besluit

Besluit strekkende tot een positieve beoordeling van een aanvraag toets nieuwe opleiding van de opleiding wo-master European Joint Master's in Strategic Border Management (joint degree) van de Faculteit Militaire Wetenschappen van de Nederlandse Defensie Academie, Rezekne Higher Education Institution, Mykolas Romeris University, National University for Distance-Learning Education, University of Salamanca

datum	29 mei 2015	
onderwerp	Gegevens	
besluit	Instelling	: Faculteit Militaire Wetenschappen van de Nederlandse Defensie Academie, Rezekne Higher Education Institution (Letland), Mykolas Romeris University (Litouwen), National University for Distance-Learning Education (Spanje), University of Salamanca (Spanje). Tot het consortium behoren voorts als niet-graadverlenende organisaties Frontex en de Estonian Academy of Security Sciences.
Toets nieuwe opleiding wo-master European Joint Master's in Strategic Border Management van Faculteit Militaire Wetenschappen van de Nederlandse Defensie Academie, Rezekne Higher Education Institution, Mykolas Romeris University, National University for Distance-Learning Education, University of Salamanca (003196)	Opleiding	: wo-master European Joint Master's in Strategic Border Management (postinitieel) (leidend tot joint degree)
ons kenmerk	Variant	: Voltijd
NVAO/20151404/LL	Locaties	: Breda, Amsterdam, Amsterdam-Schiphol, Tallinn, Rezekne, Vilnius, Madrid, Salamanca, Aranjuez, Avilla
bijlagen	Studieomvang (EC)	: 90
2	Datum macrodoelmatigheidsbesluit	: n.v.t.
	Datum aanvraag	: 15 juli 2014
	Datum locatiebezoeken	: 2 en 3 december 2014
	Datum paneladvies	: 7 april 2015

Aanvullende informatie

De NVAO heeft bij e-mail van 30 januari 2015 en 13 februari 2015 aan de instelling aanvullende informatie gevraagd over de erkenning van de joint degree opleiding in Estland en Letland. Bij e-mail van 4 maart 2015 heeft de NVAO de aanvullende informatie ontvangen. De NVAO heeft de aanvullende informatie in haar oordeelsvorming betrokken.

Assessment Framework for Joint Programmes van het European Consortium for Accreditation. Dit beoordelingskader bevat tevens overeenkomstige standaarden zoals opgenomen in het beoordelingskader voor de uitgebreide toets nieuwe opleiding van de NVAO (Stcrt. 2010, nr 21523).

Bevindingen

De NVAO stelt vast dat in het paneladvies en de aanvullende informatie deugdelijk en kenbaar is gemotiveerd op welke gronden het panel de kwaliteit van de opleiding voldoende heeft bevonden.

Advies panel

De NVAO volgt in haar inhoudelijke besluitvorming de onderstaande samenvatting uit het visitatierapport.

According to the Assessment Framework the panel gives a substantiated final conclusion following a two point scale: the quality of the new programme is either "satisfactory" or "unsatisfactory".

The final conclusion concerning a new programme is "satisfactory" if the programme meets each of the six standards.

The final conclusion concerning a new programme is "unsatisfactory" if one or more of the six standards are assessed as being unsatisfactory.

Overall conclusion regarding Standard 1. General conditions

The consortium has made a strong case for the added value of this joint programme. The consortium agreement is extensive and (perhaps too) detailed which has the advantage of encompassing coverage and the possible disadvantage of less flexibility in the development of the programme. Nevertheless, the consortium should be commended for all the time and effort invested for setting up the programme. The Dutch, Latvian, Lithuanian and Spanish institutions are all recognised and allowed to participate in the joint programme and to award the joint degree. The Estonian EASS participates as non-degree awarding Associate Partner. The panel therefore assesses Standard 1. General conditions as satisfactory.

Overall conclusion regarding Standard 2. Learning outcomes

The programme and intended learning outcomes have been developed through intensive group work involving many experts. The intended learning outcomes are derived from the SQF, whilst the academic partners have ensured that the learning outcomes for the programme, stages and modules reflect the level of an academically-oriented Master's. The intended learning outcomes are in line with the requirements from the professional field but the panel believes that the programme would further gain in relevance by focussing more on contextual policy and societal issues. The panel assesses Standard 2. Learning Outcomes as satisfactory.

Overall conclusion regarding Standard 3. Programme

The structure and content of the curriculum are well developed and detailed, although the approach to and use of experiential learning would merit more attention. The admission, selection and distribution of credits are transparent. The work load and responsibilities have been distributed reasonably equally among the partners. The panel therefore assesses Standard 3. Programme as satisfactory.

Pagina 3 van 6 *Overall conclusion regarding Standard 4. Internal quality assurance*

The panel has found a well-developed internal quality assurance system, with written procedures and structures. Stakeholders' involvement and a continuous improvement system seem to be ensured. With the "mini-university" in place the system now has to prove itself in practice. The panel therefore assesses Standard 4. Internal quality assurance as satisfactory.

Overall conclusion regarding Standard 5. Facilities and student support

The panel has found a programme purposefully facilitating and supporting their students, and putting the required infrastructure and student services in place to facilitate the ten-stage mobility requirement. The panel therefore assesses Standard 5. Facilities and student support as satisfactory.

Overall conclusion regarding Standard 6. Teaching and learning

Teaching and learning is assessed as satisfactory. The programme profits from an enthusiastic group of teachers who have become increasingly acquainted with each other in the course of designing the programme. The teaching staff is well-qualified but the programme would benefit from further upscaling of their research competences. There is a good blend of assessment methods which could be further improved with a clearer view on the assessment of experiential learning. Frontex is a strong and credible guarantor of continued delivery and sufficient financial provisions.

To conclude, the panel considers this new academically-oriented joint Master programme thoroughly thought through, innovative, promising and welcomed by the professional field. The tremendous effort and commitment that has gone into preparing the programme by over 80 experts since the beginning of 2012 should be commended, even more so in view of the many legal obstacles encountered.

As all six standards are assessed as satisfactory the final conclusion of the panel is that the provision of the new joint programme European Joint Master's in Strategic Border Management is satisfactory. The name of the programme is appropriate and in line with European regulations in this field. The panel advises NVAO, as well as other quality assurance agencies in the partner countries of the consortium, to accredit this new programme.

Advies van het panel

Het panel adviseert de NVAO om positief te besluiten ten aanzien van de kwaliteit van de nieuwe opleiding wo master European Joint Master's in Strategic Border Management (joint degree) van de Faculteit Militaire Wetenschappen van de Nederlandse Defensie Academie, Rezekne Higher Education Institution, Mykolas Romeris University, National University for Distance-Learning Education, University of Salamanca. Tot het consortium behoren verder als niet-graadverlenende organisaties Frontex en de Estonian Academy of Security Sciences.

Ingevolge het bepaalde in artikel 5a.10, tweede lid, in verbinding met artikel 5a.11, zesde lid, van de WHW heeft de NVAO het college van bestuur van de Faculteit Militaire Wetenschappen van de Nederlandse Defensie Academie te Breda in de gelegenheid gesteld zijn zienswijze op het voornemen tot besluit van 28 april 2015 naar voren te brengen. Bij e-mail van 6 mei 2015 heeft de instelling van de gelegenheid gebruikt gemaakt om te reageren. Dit heeft geleid tot enkele tekstuele aanpassingen in het adviesrapport en het besluit.

De NVAO besluit de aanvraag Toets nieuwe opleiding van de postinitiële wo-master European Joint Master's in Strategic Border Management (joint degree) (90EC; variant: voltijd; locaties: Breda, Amsterdam, Amsterdam-Schiphol, Tallinn, Rezekne, Vilnius, Madrid, Salamanca, Aranjuez, Avilla) van de Faculteit Militaire Wetenschappen van de Nederlandse Defensie Academie, Rezekne Higher Education Institution, Mykolas Romeris University, National University for Distance-Learning Education en University of Salamanca positief te beoordelen.

Graad: European Joint Master's in Strategic Border Management

Advies Croho-onderdeel: gedrag en maatschappij

Van kracht tot en met 28 mei 2021.

Den Haag, 29 mei 2015

De NVAO
Voor deze:

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R.P. Zevenbergen
(bestuurder)

Tegen dit besluit kan op grond van het bepaalde in de Algemene wet bestuursrecht door een belanghebbende bezwaar worden gemaakt bij de NVAO. De termijn voor het indienen van bezwaar bedraagt zes weken.

Pagina 5 van 6 **Bijlage 1: Schematisch overzicht oordelen panel**
 op basis van het **Assessment Framework for Joint Programmes**

Standard	Criterion	Assessment
1. General conditions	1a. Recognition	Satisfactory
	1b. Cooperation agreement	
	1c. Added value	
2. Intended learning outcomes	2a. Shared	Satisfactory
	2b. Level	
	2c. Subject/discipline	
3. Programme	3a. Admission	Satisfactory
	3b. Structure	
	3c. Credits	
4. Internal quality assurance system	4a. Common understanding	Satisfactory
	4b. Stakeholder involvement	
	4c. Continuous improvement	
5. Facilities and student support	5a. Facilities	Satisfactory
	5b. Support	
	5c. Services	
6. Teaching and learning	6a. Staff	Satisfactory
	6b. Assessment of students	
	6c. Graduation guarantee and financial provisions	

Het panel kende de volgende samenstelling:

- Dr Nick Harris (panel chair), international adviser ANECA (Spain) and former Director of QAA (UK);
- Prof Dr Willy Bruggeman (subject-specific expert), Professor at Benelux University Centre, former Deputy Director of Europol, chairman of council and board of the Belgian federal police (Belgium);
- Dr Mark Foley (subject-specific expert), Inspector at An Garda Siochana (Irish Police), lecturer at Police College (Ireland);
- Rok Primožič (student expert), Master in Education Sciences student at VUB (Belgium), member of QA Students Experts Pool of European Students' Union (ESU), former chair of ESU (Slovenia).

Het panel werd bijgestaan door Mark Frederiks, procescoördinator NVAO en gecertificeerd secretaris.