

# Quality Assurance

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# Nuffic & student mobility

- Providing information on studying abroad;
- Promoting study in The Netherlands (Holland);
- National Agency for Erasmus programme;
- Studies and knowledge sharing.



# Quality Assurance of Student Exchanges

A definition:

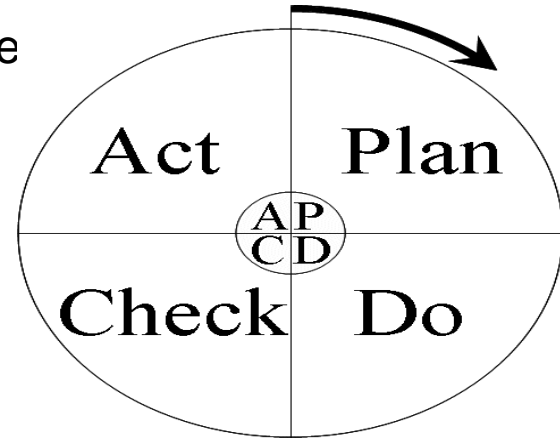
- ✓The planned and systematic processes that
  - ✓provide confidence to
  - ✓outside stakeholders that
  - ✓a student exchange programme is
  - ✓effective.

Basic assumption:

Ultimate responsibility of home institution.

# Key questions

1. When is student exchange effective?
2. What brings you to the conclusion that it is effective?
3. How do ensure you continue to offer effective (good quality) student exchanges?



# Assignment: When is student exchange effective?

What is/are the ultimate goal(s) student exchanges should reach?

- Be as explicit as possible
- Defend your chosen goal

1. **Discuss** your answers and write them on a flip over (20 min)
2. **Present** the main outcomes of the discussion (1 min per group)

# Examples of goals of student exchanges

- Increasing student competencies
  - International
  - Intercultural
  - General
  - Subject specific
- Improving the quality of education
  - Content
  - Didactics
  - Organisation
- Improving the institutions' reputation



# More information

- EAIE publication on Internationalisation & Quality Assurance
- EAIE Occassional paper on measuring internationalisation
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