

ENIC Capacity Building

Increasing Transparency and Consistency in Recognition Practices in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Albania, Bosnia, Croatia, and Serbia

Understanding the Client's Aims

UK NARIC since 2008 has worked with the European National Information Centres (ENICs) in the regions of the Former Yugoslavia and the Caucasus. The work has focussed on enhancing communication and collaborative working amongst the ENICs of the region.

The UK NARIC Approach

The initial stage of each project involves UK NARIC carrying out a needs analysis focussing on identifying the existing recognition practices and surrounding issues. This is then compared to the best practices in recognition and the following activities are carried out:

- Discussion workshops in country with participating ENICs
- Development and delivery of training specific to the ENICs' requirements
- Study visit of participating ENICs to the UK

Delivering Quality Results

UK NARIC provides recommendations and guidance on improvising transparency in recognition practices, to the participants. A report is submitted identifying areas for continued discussion and development in the region, in order to encourage a more consistent and coherent approach to recognition in general. The report provides the participating centres with the tools and knowledge to implement / improve assessment criteria and procedures. Including the following:

- Advice on centralised data systems:
 - HEI listings
 - Diploma listings
- Increased co-operation with national stakeholders (i.e. HEIs)

UK NARIC has maintained the relationships with the participants beyond the lifetime of the projects to provide continued guidance and encourage ongoing development .