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**FINAL REPORT OF THE CYPRUS AGENCY OF QUALITY ASSURANCE AND
ACCREDITATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

**EVALUATION - ACCREDITATION
OF THE PROGRAM OF STUDY**

**IN GREEK: Διεύθυνση Επιχειρήσεων Φιλοξενίας και Τουρισμού (4 έτη, Πτυχίο,
240 ECTS)**

**IN ENGLISH: Hospitality & Tourism Management (4 years, Bachelor of Arts Degree 240
ECTS)**

OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION

Atlantis College

This Final Report was prepared on the basis of Article (20) (2)(f) (i) of the "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education and the Establishment and Operation of an Agency on Related Matters Laws" of 2015 and 2019 N. [136 (I)/2015 to N.47(I)/ 2019]».

THE PROCEDURE:

On 8 June 2022 the legal representative of the Higher Education Institution **Atlantis College** submitted an application (Doc. 200.1), based on Article (17) of the "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education and the Establishment and Operation of an Agency on Related Matters Laws" of 2015 and 2019, for the evaluation-accreditation of the program of study:

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In the framework of competences conferred on it by the relevant legislation, the Council of the Agency has constituted an External Evaluation Committee (EEC) which, after initially examining the institution's application for program evaluation and accreditation, performed an onsite visit at the institution on **19 December 2022**.

The EEC met with the head of the institution, the head of the relevant department, the program's coordinator, members of the academic staff, members of the administrative staff, students and/ or their representatives and the Internal Quality Assurance Committee.

Additionally, the EEC examined the institution's facilities (library, computer labs, research infrastructures, etc.), various documents presented and/or requested by the EEC, the School's/ Faculty's structure and the program's position in it, the CVs of the teaching staff and their relationship to the institution as teachers in regard to any other duties and teaching in other programs of study.

The EEC has documented its findings and recommendations and drew up the External Evaluation Report in the Doc. 300.1.1.

CYQAA Council's Decision

The Council of the Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Higher Education, during its **96th Summit on 10th July 2023** on the basis of Article 20 (2)(f)(i) of the "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education and the Establishment and Operation of an Agency on Related Matters Laws" of 2015 and 2019 [N. 136 (I) / 2015 and N.47 (I) / 2019], and on the basis of the suggestions of the External Evaluation and the comments of the institution decided that the program is accredited to be delivered in **English**.

The Agency highlights that within a period of six months and no later than the 30th December 2023, the institution should comply with the following:

- **Develop and monitor Key Performance Indicators (e.g. target progression rates) especially as the student numbers increase.**
- **undertake every possible effort to help existing members of staff to upgrade their educational level, including enrolling into PhD programmes as well as to employ new academics who hold a doctoral degree.**
- **support and coordinate research activities based on solid KPIs and encourage publication in peer-reviewed academic journals of high calibre (at least Scopus-indexed)**

The current accreditation begins in the **Fall** semester of the academic year **2023 – 2024** and ceases to be in effect at the end of the **Spring** semester of the academic year **2027 – 2028**.

On the basis of Article (4) of the relevant Legislation, it is noted that "the above accreditation is valid for the period provided by the provisions of the Law and is repeated every five (5) years and that the procedure starts at the request of the institution which must, and shall be submitted at least sixteen (16) months before the expiry of the previous accreditation".

Additionally, on the basis of Article (17) (3) (f) during the period of validity of the Accreditation, the Agency acting of its own motion, may examine whether the criteria

continue to be met and if they are not met, then the Agency shall revoke the Accreditation, and immediately inform the institution concerned.



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Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation in
Higher Education

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