



Nomination for Membership of the Higher Education Quality Committee

The Higher Education Quality Committee (HEQC) is a permanent committee established to perform the quality assurance functions of the Council on Higher Education (CHE). The CHE is an independent statutory body established in terms of the Higher Education Act, No. 101 of 1997 and as the Quality Council for Higher Education in terms of the National Qualifications Framework Act, No. 67 of 2008. The CHE advises the Minister of Higher Education and Training on all higher education issues and is responsible for quality assurance and promotion.

The functions of the HEQC include promoting quality in higher education, auditing the quality assurance mechanisms of higher education institutions, and accrediting programmes offered by higher education institutions.

The quality promotion and assurance functions of the CHE are peer-driven. The membership of the HEQC is comprised of academics who combine disciplinary expertise with knowledge of, and commitment to, quality assurance and promotion in higher education and who demonstrate a deep understanding of the transformative role of higher education in social and economic development.

The CHE invites nominations of people who meet several of the following criteria to serve on the HEQC.

- a. A high level knowledge and experience of higher education, some of which should be in a senior management role in the Post School Education and Training (PSET) and/or related sectors; alternatively, in governmental, non-governmental or industry sectors related to PSET;
- b. An understanding of the challenges of transformation in the PSET sector or society more generally;
- c. A sound understanding of quality assurance and related challenges PSET and/or developments internationally;
- d. Ability to critique and contribute conceptual depth to the methods and approaches of the CHE;
- e. Knowledge of information and communication technologies (ICTs) in higher education and the learning design implications thereof;
- f. Ability to make sound and consistent judgements against the criteria for institutional reviews, accreditation and national reviews;
- g. A minimum qualification of a Master's degree with extensive experience in PSET or related sectors. A PhD will be a recommendation;
- h. Compliance with any other requirements as determined by the CHE.

The CHE strives to attain broad representation demographically, notably in terms of gender balance. The term of office will be for a period of three years from 1 April 2018, and members can serve for a maximum of two terms. Members will be appointed in their own right and not as representatives of higher education institutions, sub-sectors or stakeholder organisations. The HEQC ordinarily meets six times per academic year.

Please submit all nominations, accompanied by a comprehensive CV and the **candidate's letter of acceptance** of nomination to:

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Closing date for receipt of nominations: **31 January 2018**