

Communiqué 4 of 2024

To: All Public and Private Higher Education Institutions in the Republic of South Africa

Subject: Call for Nominations -Community of Practice for Management of Higher Education Qualifications on the National Qualifications Framework

The Council on Higher Education (CHE) is a statutory body established through the Higher Education Act (Act 101 of 1997 as amended). The CHE derives its mandate from the Higher Education Act as well as the National Qualifications Framework Act (Act 67 of 2008 as amended). Among others, the CHE is responsible for development, implementation and management of the Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework (HEQSF).

In May 2024, the CHE and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) jointly communicated the process to be followed for the re-registration of HEQSF-aligned qualifications that are due to expire on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) on 30 June 2024 on through Joint Communiqué 1 of 2024. The process elaborated involves joint evaluation of about 3500 qualifications against SAQA's Policy and Criteria for Registration of Qualifications and Part-qualifications on the National Qualifications Framework through a Community of Practice convened and facilitated by the CHE and SAQA. The CHE also wishes to leverage on this process to ensure that all HEQSF qualifications on the NQF are compliant to the HEQSF, including requirements for use of designators, whilst also addressing concerns about proliferation of qualifications on the NQF. In line with the approach elaborated in the Quality Assurance Framework (QAF), the CoP will further support the work of the Management of the HEQSF (MHEQSF) Directorate, including evaluation of requests for changes to existing programmes submitted by institutions.

This is a call for nomination of candidates who can be appointed as members of the Community of Practice. The candidates nominated must be conversant with curriculum design in the context of the HEQSF and/or be conversant with internal quality assurance processes related to programme design, review and renewal.

A letter from the nominator, a comprehensive CV of the nominee, and a letter from the nominee indicating his/her acceptance of nomination should be sent to:

The Director: MHEQSF on dlamini.p@che.ac.za and copied to mheqsf@che.ac.za

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The closing date for receipt of nominations: **28 June 2024**

Yours sincerely



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Date: 14 June 2024



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