EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ON A DECISION

of the Standing Committee on Pedagogical Sciences and Social Activity on the results of the completed evaluation procedure for programme accreditation of a doctoral programme “Preschool pedagogy” in a professional field 1.2. Pedagogy, an area of higher education 1. “Pedagogical Sciences” at Shumen University "Episkop Konstantin Preslavski"

The procedure was opened by the Standing Committee on Pedagogical Sciences and Social Activity on 28.02.2017 at the request of the higher school. The expert panel, approved by the Accreditation Council as of 28.09.2017, inspected the evaluated institution in the period from 17.10.2017 to 19.10.2017.

At a meeting held on 07.11.2017, the Standing Committee adopted the report of the expert panel and on its basis prepared a decision on the results from the completed programme accreditation. The decision notes findings and assessments on the implementation of the requirements of the Criteria System in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG) - Part 1 / 1-10 / and pursuant to Art. 78, para. 3 of the HEA (Table 5). The Standing Committee used the 10-point assessment system provided for in Art. 79, para. 1 of the HEA and the rating scale of ENQA.

After summarising the results from voting on the basis of the adopted by the Accreditation Council to NEAA "Voting rules of procedures for accreditation and evaluation of projects", the Standing Committee on Pedagogical Sciences and Social Activity took the following DECISION on 05.12.2017:

1. Awards programme accreditation to a doctoral programme “Preschool pedagogy” in a professional field 1.2. Pedagogy, an area of higher education 1. “Pedagogical Sciences” at Shumen University "Episkop Konstantin Preslavski” on the grounds of an overall assessment: 9.29 (nine point twenty-nine hundredths).

2. The validity of the accreditation is SIX years, according to Art. 79, para. 4 of the Law on Higher Education.

The Standing Committee on Pedagogical Sciences and Social Affairs formulates the following recommendations:

1. To increase the mobility of PhD students. Deadline: permanent

2. To refine the topics of PhD students in Pre-school pedagogy to meet the specifics of the programme. Deadline: permanent

The total verbal assessment according to the numeric score obtained is full compliance.

Chairperson of SCPSSA:

Prof. Dr Emilia Vassileva