EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ON A DECISION

of the Standing Committee on Pedagogical Sciences and Social Activity, on the results of the evaluation procedure for programme accreditation of a doctoral programme “Methodology of Teaching Techniques and Technologies” in a professional field 1.3. Pedagogy of teaching ..., 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 15.12.2015 at the request of the higher school. The expert panel, approved by the Accreditation Council as of 23.06.2016, inspected the evaluated institution in the period from 17.10.2016 to 19.10.2016.

At a meeting held on 13.12.2016, 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 reflected observations about the consistency of the evidence with the criteria system for the implemented procedure. In assessing the criteria measures in the controlled areas of activity (academic activities, academic environment, scientific potential and research results, availability of material and information conditions for productive research and creative achievements in the doctoral programme and competitiveness of the doctoral programme) the Standing Committee applied the rating scale of ENQA. Verbal assessments on the criteria are prevailing "full compliance" and availability of "substantial compliance" and are in compliance and relevance with estimates under art. 79, para. 1 of the Higher Education Act.

After summarizing 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 27.12.2016:

1. Awards programme accreditation to a doctoral programme “Methodology of Teaching Techniques and Technologies” in a professional field 1.3. Pedagogy of teaching ... an area of higher education 1. “Pedagogical sciences” Shumen University "Episkop Konstantin Preslavski" on the grounds of an overall assessment: 9.22 (nine point twenty-two 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 Activity made the following recommendations:

1. To organize annual conferences only for doctoral students being trained on programmes in a professional field 1.3. "Pedagogy of ...". Deadline: permanent

2. In announcing competitions to encourage full-time training for doctoral students. Deadline: permanent

Chairperson of SCPSSA:

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