

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ON A DECISION

of the standing committee on natural sciences, mathematics and informatics on the results of the completed evaluation procedure for programme accreditation of a doctoral programme "Biophysics" in a professional field 4.3 Biological sciences from an area of higher education 4. Natural sciences, mathematics and informatics at the Medical University of Plovdiv

The procedure was opened at a meeting of the Standing Committee on natural sciences, mathematics and informatics on 13.11.2017 at the request of the higher school. The Expert panel, approved by the Accreditation Council as of 31.05.2018r, inspected the evaluated institution in the period from 22.10.2018 to 23.10.2018.

At a meeting held on 26.11.2018, the Standing Committee adopted the report of the expert panel and on its basis prepared a decision on the results of the completed programme accreditation. The decision **stipulates findings and assessments regarding the compliance of the evidence submitted with the criteria system in the implemented procedure, and in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG) - Part 1 / 1-10 / and within the meaning of 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 natural sciences, mathematics and informatics took the following **DECISIONS** on **10.12.2018**:

- 1. Awards programme accreditation to a doctoral programme "Biophysics" in a professional field 4.3 Biological sciences from an area of higher education 4. Natural sciences, mathematics and informatics at the Medical University of Plovdiv on the grounds of an overall assessment on the criteria of 9.17 (nine, point seventeen hundredths).**
- 2. The validity of the accreditation is SIX years, according to art. 79 (4) of the Higher Education Act.**

The Standing Committee on Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Informatics made the following **recommendations**:

1. To increase the publicity activity of lecturers with a qualification in the field of the doctoral program in specialized biophysical journals.

Term: Permanent

2. To make efforts to update experimental equipment and research approaches in biophysical research.

Term: Permanent

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

Chairperson of SCNSMI:

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