

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ON A DECISION

of the Standing Committee on Technical Sciences on the results of the evaluation performed in a programme accreditation procedure for a doctoral programme “Electronization” in a professional field 5.2 “Electrical engineering, electronics and automation” at the South-West University “Neofit Rilski”

The procedure was opened at a meeting of the Standing Committee on Technical Sciences on 12.02.2016 at the request of the higher school. The Expert Panel, approved by the Accreditation Council as of 02.02.2017, inspected the institution under evaluation in the period from 27.02 to 01.03.2017.

At a meeting held on 05.05.2017, 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 reflects **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 of voting according to “Voting rules of procedures for accreditation and evaluation of projects”, adopted by the Accreditation Council of NEAA, the Standing Committee on Technical Sciences made the following **decision on 05.05.2017**:

- 1. Awards programme accreditation to a doctoral programme “Electronization in a professional field 5.2 “Electrical engineering, electronics and automation” at the South-West University “Neofit Rilski” on the grounds of an overall assessment: 8.72 (eight, point seventy-two hundredths).**
- 2. The period of validity of the accreditation shall FIVE years, in accordance with Article 79, para. 4 of the HEA.**

The Standing Committee on Technical Science formulated the following **recommendation**:

To update the normative documents regarding plagiarism for PhD students. Deadline: 12 months

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

Chairman of SCTS:

Prof. Dr Eng. Racho Ivanov