EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ON A DECISION

of the Standing Committee on Humanities and Art on the results of the completed evaluation procedure for programme accreditation of a doctoral programme “General and Comparative Linguistics” in a professional field 2.1 “Philology” at Ruse University "Angel Kanchev"

The procedure was opened by the Standing Committee on Humanities and Art on 13.01.2016 at the request of the higher school. The expert panel, established by the Accreditation Council as of 23.06.2016, inspected the evaluated institution in the period from 14.11.2016 to 16.11.2016.

At a meeting held on 14.12.2016, 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 scientific results, material and information conditions for productive scientific research and creative achievements and competitiveness of the doctoral programme), the Standing Committee on Humanities and Art applied the rating scale of ENQA. Verbal assessments on the criteria are “substantial compliance” and “full compliance” respectively and comply with estimates and relevance of art. 79, para. 1 of the Higher Education Act. After summarizing the results from voting based on the adopted by the Accreditation Council to NEAA "Voting rules of procedures for accreditation and evaluation of projects", the Standing Committee on Humanities and Art made the following decisions on 21.12.2016:

1. Awards programme accreditation to a doctoral programme “General and Comparative Linguistics” in a professional field 2.1 “Philology” at Ruse University "Angel Kanchev" on the grounds of an overall assessment: 9.01 (nine point one hundredths)

2. The validity of the accreditation is SIX years, pursuant to Art. 79, para. 4 of the Higher Education Act.

The Standing Committee Humanities and Art made the following recommendations:

1. The faculty of training units to integrate to a greater extent into national and international scientific communities. Deadline: December 2019

2. To use more efficiently mobility programmes and bilateral agreements with universities offering doctoral training in related scientific majors. Deadline: December 2018

Chairperson of SCHA

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