EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ON A DECISION

of the Standing Committee on Humanities and Arts on the results of the completed evaluation procedure for programme accreditation of a doctoral programme "Literature of the Peoples of Europe, America, Africa, Asia and Australia (German Literature)" in the Professional field 2.1 Philology from the area of higher education 2. Humanities, at the Faculty of Humanities, Shumen University "Ep. Konstantin Preslavski”

The procedure was opened at a meeting of the Standing Committee on Humanities and Arts on 13.09.2017 at the request of the higher school. The Expert panel, approved by the Accreditation Council as of 08.11.2018, inspected the evaluated institution in the period from 27.11.-2018 to 29.11.2018.

At a meeting held on 19.12.2018, 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 reflected assessments and observations about the consistency of the evidence provided with the criteria system for 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 pursuant to art. 78, paragraph 3 of the Higher Education Act / Table 5 /. The Standing Committee used the 10-point evaluation system,, regulated in art. 79, paragraph 1 of the Higher Education Act 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 Humanities and Arts took the following DECISIONS on 23.01.2019:

1. Awards programme accreditation to a doctoral programme "Literature of the Peoples of Europe, America, Africa, Asia and Australia (German Literature)" in the Professional field 2.1 Philology from the area of higher education 2. Humanities, at Shumen University "Ep. Konstantin Preslavski” on the grounds of an overall assessment on the criteria of 8.80 (eight, eighty hundredths).

2. The validity of the accreditation is FIVE years, according to art. 79 (4) of the Higher Education Act.

The Standing Committee on Humanities and Arts made the following recommendations:

1. The Department of Germanics should create the conditions for habilitation of another lecturer on the specifics of the doctoral program. Deadline: For the 2021 academic year.

2. To ensure that the updated information on the current PhD students as members of the Department of Germanics, is published on the University's website. Deadline: For the 2019 academic year.

The overall verbal assessment in accordance with the received numeric one is substantial compliance.

Chairperson of SCHA:
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