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RESPONSES TO COVID-19: Support to HEIs

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Adaptation of the accreditation criteria

- International mobilities (outgoing & incoming)
 - no longer compulsory for 4° and 5° year students
- Internships & final projects in industry
 - suspension of minimum 28 week rule
 - flexible duration and terms of final overall projects
 - overlapping to following academic year without tuition fees or impact on official graduation year.
- Apprenticeship tracks
 - preserve the original calendar and pedagogical continuity
 - adapted terms to achieve the learning outcomes of forseen periods in industry





Adaptation of the accreditation criteria

Provided that:

- ⇒ Not penalise students on the programme
- ⇒ Ensure the achievement of all programme outcomes
- Adapt the teaching & learning methods and the conditions for the validation of the degree
- Describe the adaptations in an annex of the study regulations
- ⇒ Have relevant boards endorse the adaptations
- Disseminate the measures taken to students and other stakeholders
- Put into place an individual follow-up of students, especially if in a fragile situation





Adaptation of the procedures

 Automn 2019: WG on digitalization (teaching, learning, evaluation)

Since sanitary crisis:

- Postponement of SAR & follow-up reports by HEIs
- Postponement of site visits & plenary sessions to automn
- Postponement of international procedures to 2021
- Rearrangement of certain panels
- Joint CTI-Hcéres procedures separated
- 5 further plenary sessions in June-July 2020 and 2021
- Specific guidelines for virtual site visits
- First virtual site visits in July 2020 (on conditions)

Communication



- General messages to all HEIs
- Individual responses to HEIs
- Survey for HEIs on distance teachning & learning (issues, problems, perspectives...)
- Specific webinar on distance teaching & learning (issues, problems, examples of good practice...)
- Exchanges with stakeholders
 (Associations of HEIs, ministries, student association..)
- Newsletter & website





Thank you for your attention!

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