

ECA Member's Seminar

24 February 2026
Heidelberg, Germany

HOSTED BY:

Evaluation Agency of Baden-Württemberg (EVALAG)

VENUE:

Qube Hotel Bahnstadt
Heidelberg, Germany

Programme

PRE-EVENT PROGRAMME

MONDAY, 23 February 2026

19.00

ECA Board Meeting with Dinner

ECA MEMBER'S SEMINAR

THUESDAY, 24 February 2026

9.30 – 10.00

Registration of the participants

10.00 – 10.15

Welcome address

dr. Eva Fernandez de Labastida, Chair of ECA
dr. Aletta Hinsken, CEO of EVALAG

SESSION 1: Lecture and discussion.

10.15 – 12.00

Diversity in higher education: Stefanie Kröner and Florian Lamert

In this morning session on diversity in higher education, you will not only learn more about the term diversity and the meaning behind diversity as an attitude. You will also find out more about yourself and your own unconscious bias. Eventually you may ask yourself now: Uhh, what can I do to get rid of it? The lecturers will tell us that the best way is probably not to try to get rid of it completely, but to regularly reflect upon it. Subsequently, the lecturers will highlight the link between diversity and various theoretical approaches. In light of diversity as a goal for the EHEA, implementation issues and practical questions for higher education institutions will be addressed: Which difficulties and barriers on the way to more diversity in all groups involved in higher education?

Stefanie Kröner has a PhD in Adult Education (University of Würzburg) and currently works for EVALAG as a scientific advisor. She coordinates the training programme and consults HEI also in regard to the development of a diversity strategy.

Florian Lamert is a student representative in the German Accreditation Council since 2025. He has been a long-term member of the German students' accreditation pool.

Florian currently works for the University of Duisburg-Essen in the field of teacher's education (Centre for Teacher Training).

As a student's representative, he speaks about the needs of students in the academic sector, e. g. diversity, barriers of study success, accessibility, participation, student partnership, mentoring etc.

Chair:

Dagmar Röttches, EVALAG

12.15 – 13.15

LUNCH

SESSION 2: Working groups.

13.15 – 14.45

Working Groups Meeting

Chairs:

Eva Fernandez de Labastida, Chair of ECA, Unibasq
Ronny Heintze, Vice Chair of ECA, AQAS

14.45 – 15.15

COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 3: General Assembly.

15.15 – 16.15

General Assembly

Chair:

Eva Fernandez de Labastida, Chair of ECA

SESSION 4: Wrap up and discussion.

16.15 – 16.30

Wrap Up

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

16.45 Bus transfer to castle

17.45 – 19.00 Castle guided tour

DINNER

19.30

Dinner at [Kulturbrauerei](#)