

## QualiNews



### News

Following Decision no. 13353/21.09.2020 of UBB's Senate, the [Regulation for the organization and functioning of the commission for quality assurance and evaluation](#) (CEAC-UBB) was adopted.

The competition for the [two places assigned to student representatives of NGOs from UBB](#) took place in the first half of October.



Following Decision no. 13338/21.09.2020 the [Regulation of the Scientific Council of Qualitas Center](#) was approved.



### Competitiveness

On October 10<sup>th</sup> the 2020 edition of the NTU ranking was launched ([Performace Ranking of Scientific Papers for World Universities](#)). The ranking includes 826 universities world-wide. The global ranking does not include any Romanian university. However, UBB is ranked on [the 181<sup>st</sup> place in the field of Mathematics](#) (in the subjects ranking).

In the 2021 edition of the Best Global Universities ranking, UBB ranks [2<sup>nd</sup> on national level, 259<sup>th</sup> on European level and 595<sup>th</sup> on global level](#).



### Digital library

- UBB offers free access to the **Times Higher Education (THE)** library, which includes the digital edition & archive of THE, news, analyses, opinion, comments, reviews, and raw data regarding higher education.

A short guide on how to access the **THE** library is available [here](#).

- ENQA, 2020: [External Quality Assurance in Times of COVID-19. Case examples](#).

### Activities

In early October, CQ completed the report regarding the assessment of UBB academics and researchers' professional activities by the management.

CQ is currently revising (i) the questionnaires regarding student satisfaction and (ii) the content of the document *Principles, criteria and indicators of quality assurance in UBB*.

In October, *Qualitas* Centre aims to monitor the nominal scheduling, on a semester basis, of the inter-evaluations for the academic year 2020-2021 and to draft the report for the inter-evaluations carried out during the 2019-2020 academic year.

In the second half of October, [new members of CEAC-UBB](#) were appointed, following UBB's Senate Decision no. 15486/19.10.2020. Moreover, CQ started the implementation of a coherent system, at institutional level for identifying the reasons for the non-completion / interruption / extension of a regular period of study.

### Events

*Qualitas* Centre recommends the upcoming online events:

- EUA Forum: [2020 Online European Quality Assurance Forum](#) – 12 – 13 November 2020
- ARACIS training session: [Evaluare programe/domenii/instituțional în modul de lucru mixt \(blended\)](#) – 30 October 2020
- Times Higher Education: [Leadership & Management Summit](#) – 3 November 2020



*Qualitas Centre* is willing to assist fellow members of the UBB staff with information regarding quality assurance, university rankings and graduate market employability overviews. You can contact us at [qualitas@ubbcluj.ro](mailto:qualitas@ubbcluj.ro) or at the extensions: 7021 and 7022, every day from 8 am to 4 pm.



## Invitation

Dear colleagues,

Dear students,

Created in 2020, by restructuring the existing structures at Babeş-Bolyai University, [Qualitas Center](#) has a programmatic openness towards the scientific research initiatives of UBB academics, researchers and students, achievable in various forms of partnership with the Centre's employees. These research initiatives can be both individual and group-based, research projects and strategic partnerships in the areas in which the center already collects data, with the possibility of using the available infrastructure (including the online Question Pro target audience survey platform) and opportunities for dissemination of research results to the international scientific community ([Journal of Research in Higher Education](#)) managed by the Qualitas Center.

Young researchers in training can carry out internships at the Qualitas Center, in order to carry out their own research, on topics related to the fields of interest of the Center or within the research in which the center is already involved. They will benefit from the tutoring/mentoring of a specialist within the Center and will have the opportunity to expand their professional skills.

**The areas of interest** of Qualitas Centre concern quality management in higher education and the management of a variety of data on realities specific to higher education, such as:

- the history of the development of specializations / study programs within UBB, based on their statistical data;
- UBB's contribution to the development of secondary education in Romania (at national or regional level): graduates, specific programs, attracting students, etc.
- "Gender Studies" perspectives, applied to research on UBB student cohorts, the evolution of personnel / employment policies and academic promotion, etc.
- recruitment of students by higher education institutions;
- integration of students, prevention of school dropout, school dropout in higher education and academic success;
- organizational psychology and human resource management in higher education.

Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca (UBB) occupies the [most and best positions, among the Romanian universities included in the prestigious Times Higher Education \(THE\) ranking by academic fields](#), released on Wednesday, October 28, 2020.

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