## **Bologna With Student Eyes 2: 2007**

Note for members and consultative members of the Bologna Follow-Up Group (BFUG) 25th April 2006



- 1. The purpose of this note is to present you with a brief overview of ESIB's plans for the Bologna With Student Eyes 2 (BWSE) survey and report that will form part of our input to the London summit in May 2007. The members of the Bologna Process Committee, in cooperation with the Executive Committee and member unions (NUSes) of ESIB, will prepare a report similar in form to the Student Eyes survey prepared for Bergen in 2005. Any queries should be sent to Daithí Mac Síthigh (daithi@esib.org), who is responsible for survey administration.
- 2. Preparatory work is currently underway, so any suggestions (including proposed questions), comments on the 2005 survey, or any other useful input, would be most welcome. We will frame some questions in order to conduct (limited) comparative analyses with the 2005 results, but also follow the 2005-7 action lines and projects.
- 3. We will conduct a pilot phase with a small number of selected NUSes, controlled for important variables (such as region or staffing), and will also include a 'metasurvey' (questions on how the NUS handled the process of completion).
- 4. The actual fieldwork will take place between August and October. The format will be a written questionnaire (primarily seeking information and rich data rather than a tick-box approach), circulated to participants. The participants will include NUSes affiliated to ESIB, Europe-wide student organisations, and student organisations or networks unaffiliated to ESIB. We will seek information (although not in full survey form) from student organisations outside of the EHEA, in recognition of the importance of the external dimension of the process. As a follow-up, face to face and telephone interviews with student representatives will be conducted to enhance the qualititative data gathered through the written instrument, and to clarify points of doubt or interest.
- 5. The report will follow the trend of the 2005 report and of the stocktaking process, by focusing on progress rather than absolute yes/no values. The results of the survey and interviews will be presented alongside summaries of academic and political information. We shall attempt to be as open as possible, to state clearly all assumptions and methodological approaches, and to provide access to data for the purposes of verification and further research.
- 6. ESIB welcomes the desire of all parties that students continue to participate as full stakeholders within the Bologna Process, and hopes that the preparation of Bologna With Student Eyes 2 will be of benefit to the preparations for London 2007.