



ACPUA Certification Programme 2030: ALCAEUS



(PARIS COMMUNIQUÉ, Conferencia Ministerial EEES, 2018)

"We commit to developing the role of higher education in securing a sustainable future for our planet and our societies and to finding ways in which we, as EHEA Ministers, can contribute to meeting the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals at global, European and national levels".

"We recognise that further effort is required to strengthen the social dimension of higher education. In order to meet our commitment that the student body entering and graduating from European higher education institutions should reflect the diversity of Europe's populations, we will improve access and completion by under-represented and vulnerable groups".



ACPUA and the Agenda 2030

Actions developed by ACPUA related to aspects included in the Agenda 2030:

- Conference held in 2014: Corporate Social Responsibility as a model for application in Quality Agencies.
- LOSUA (2015): new article (article 85 bis) dedicated to accountability and transparency.
- First ACPUA Strategic Plan (2015-2018): inclusion of actions geared towards sustainability goals.



ACPUA and the Agenda 2030

Conferences held in 2016:

- Measuring the impact of the economic crisis: Equity in the access and in the professional insertion of graduates.
- Informative session on curricular design for all people. For ACPUA evaluators and management teams of the Aragon University Centres. ONCE Foundation.
- Institutional act: Curricular training in design for all the people in the University. ONCE Foundation, CRUE, Royal Board on Disability.
- Technical meeting: Inclusion of universal accessibility criteria and design for all in the university. Jesús Hernández Galán, Director of Universal Accessibility and Innovation, Maribel Campo, Project Coordinator (ONCE Foundation).



ACPUA and the Agenda 2030

Conferences held in 2017:

- Agenda 2030: University Quality as a Sustainable Development Goal (SDG): a programme for agencies. Juan José Cubero Marín, expert in Quality and Sustainability.
- Presentation of the Universal Design Project for all people in the University. Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality, CRUE, ANECA and ONCE Foundation.

OPPORTUNITY

MAKING CONNECTIONS BETWEEN THE INSTITUTIONAL EVALUATION AND THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS. EMPOWERING STAKEHOLDERS FOR QUALITY ENHANCEMENT











S&Q&HE project: Stakeholders





S&Q&HE (Sustainability & Quality in Higher Education)

I Forum: Quality and Sustainability in higher education

Interforos Work

I Förum Andorra - Aragó sobre qualitat i sostenibilitat en l'educació superior:
Empowering stakeholders for quality enhancement

I Fore Andorra - Aragón sobre calidad y sostenibilidad en la educación superior: Empowering stakeholders for quality



Training sesión on SDG (USJ) –

Juan José Cubero Marín, expert in Quality and Sustainability. Il Forum: Quality and Sustainability in higher education



Validation Session





S&Q&HE Project: Lessons learnt about the AUS

A large number of initiatives in the universities of the AUS that can be grouped into:

- Living the SDG (implementation of green campus initiatives, carbon footprint, attention to diversity, accessible campus...)
- Training in SDG (TFM/TFG oriented according to the SDG, volunteering projects....)

STRONG POINT => COMMITED to

- Universities
- Students
- The PAS and the PDI
- The social stakeholders



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Towards a Sustainable Europe by

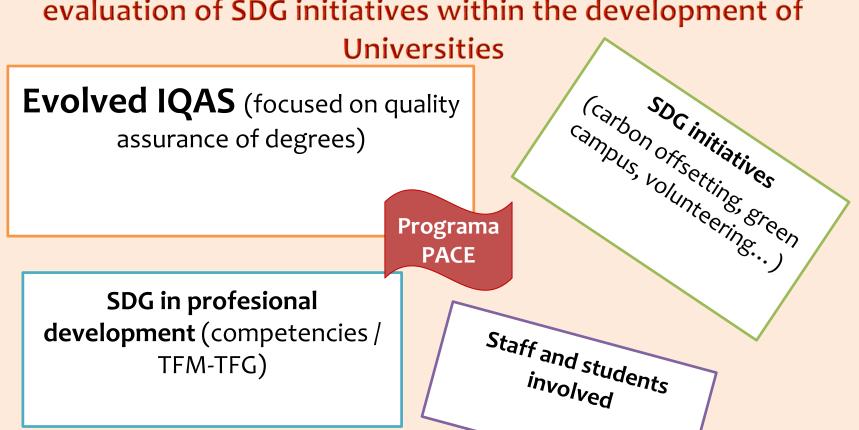
2030 Reflection Paper European Commision (30 January 2019)

Educational institutions at all levels should be encouraged to **embrace SDG** as a guideline for their activities and must be supported to become places where sustainability competencies are not only taught, but also actively practiced.



How to integrate all the elements present in the AUS?

A framework that systematizes and integrates and allows for the evaluation of SDG initiatives within the development of





Development of ALCAEUS based on the S&Q&HE indicators document

ALCAEUS Programme –

Evaluation protocol:

- 1. Dimensions
- 2. Criteria: standard of compliance
- Evidence and indicators
- 4. Evaluation of the criteria
- 5. Certification levels

S&Q&HE:

Indicators document

1. Dimensions

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Evaluation framework to assess the degree of implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) in the centres and/or universities of the Aragon University System (AUS).

The main objective of the 2030 certification of centres and universities within the programme is to **give visibility to the effort** that the institutions are making in complying with the SDG established in the Agenda 2030 of the United Nations.



Programme Development



CECA

(revision of the proposal) University Consultati on **CECA** (pilot and protocol approval)

AUS launching



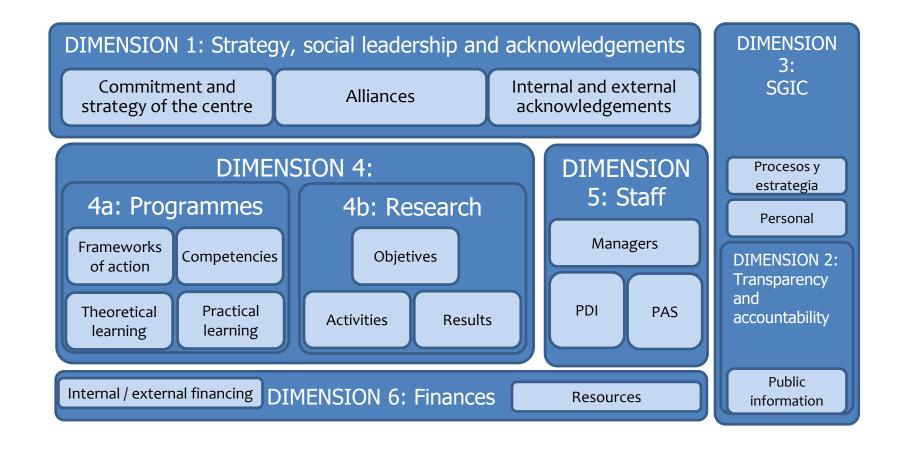
Why are institutions going to "embark" on this program?

The institution through the ALCAEUS programme:

- It is provided with a framework to integrate Agenda 2030 into its strategy.
- It collects and arranges the actions it carries out in relation to the SDG.
- It opens a space for reflection and debate in the institution for the purpose of self-evaluation.
- It stimulates the community to achieve a common quantifiable objective: external recognition.

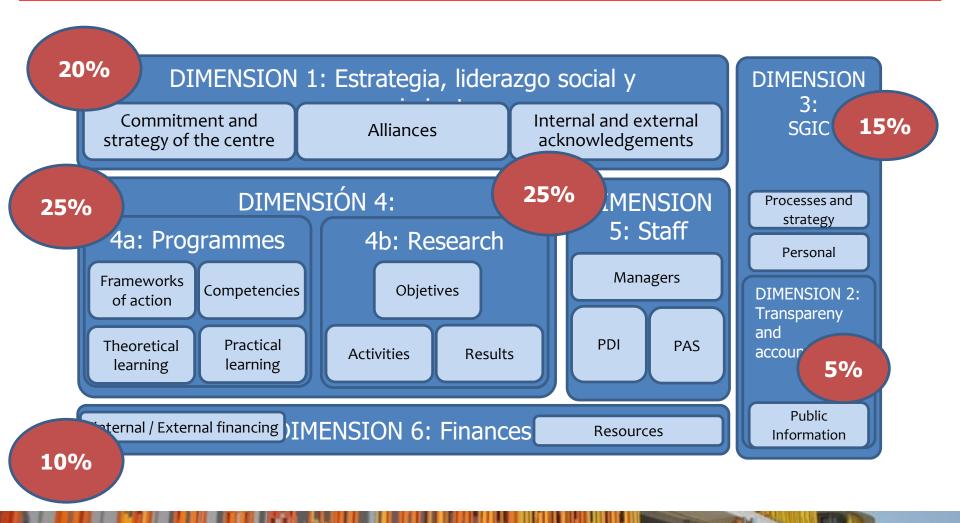


Dimensions and evaluation criteria ALCAEUS Programme





Assessment of the evaluation dimensions





Who can apply for ALCAEUS certification?

PILOT: Aragon University System

The Certification may be requested:

- 1.- For an educational centre
 - 2.- For a research centre
 - 3.- For an institution



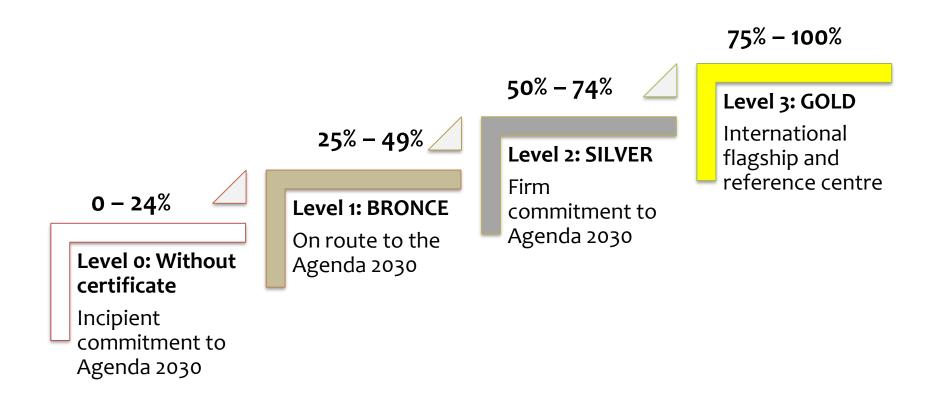


Who can apply for ALCAEUS certification?

- Centres wishing to obtain the 'Centre 2030' certificate must have Institutional Accreditation.
- In the case of universities wishing to obtain the 'University 2030' certificate, half of their centres must have obtained a 'Centre 2030' certificate.
- The research institutes must have passed at least one periodic evaluation of the ACPUA



Certification levels



The certification 2030 will have a **duration of 5 years** and will be **renewable** for successive periods of equal duration.



Evaluation process

- 1. Self-reports: Centre/University/URI Reflection Paper
- **2. Initial evaluation:** Analysis and evaluation of the documentation provided by the university (self-report and evidence).
- 3. Visit: A visit to the centre by the evaluation panel.
- **4. Report proposal:** The visit report, together with all the available previous information, will be submitted to the ACPUA Sub-Commission for the Evaluation of Centres (SEC), which will issue the report proposal.
- **5. Allegations Phase:** The report proposal will be sent to the university so that it can present allegations within 20 days.
- **6. Final report:** The allegations will be studied by the Sub-Commission of Evaluation of Centres (SEC) of the ACPUA that will be able to request to the evaluator panel their revision before the emission of the final report. This report will contain an overall score that will determine the certification level of the centre.



Evaluation panel

The panel will be made up of experts in the Agenda 2030/sustainability (from outside Aragon),

- an academic/researcher,
- an international expert,
- an external stakeholder and
- a student or researcher in training
- one ACPUA technician as secretary (with voice but no vote)

A member of the panel shall act as Chairman.



Presentation in REACU



Valladolid, 26 Februray 2019

 INCLUSION OF SDG IN QUALITY ASSURANCE IN HIGHER EDUCATION



Presentation ALCAEUS Programme in Canfranc

The 2030 Agenda: Embarking QA Agencies and HEIs in this collective journey

The LSC, Canfranc-Estación (Aragon, Spain) 28 – 29 May 2019

