

## **BFUG MEETING LXXXVI – AGENDA ITEM – parallel sessions.**

The Drafting Committee, processing the contributions of the various BFUG sub-structures, realised to not possess enough information to be able to formulate a balanced communiqué. This is not so much due to the contributions itself, or lack thereof, but due to the current moment in time, where all sub-structures are working, but the “red thread” on the link between the current work and what needs to follow seems somewhat blurred. We feel the need for thematic group discussions during the BFUG in Madrid in November 2023 before proceeding from the zero to the first draft of the Tirana communiqué:

What is our vision for the Bologna Process, described in the Rome Communiqué with “inclusive, innovative interconnected EHEA”? What are the more concrete steps to get us there?

The purpose of this exercise is to dig deeper into certain topics that will play prominent roles in the communiqué. The drafting committee wishes to receive input from the BFUG to be guided in the future work so that the next draft can be more in line with the wishes of the BFUG members, and at the same time to provide BFUG members with a moment to discuss the impact of the current works and decisions on the workplan 2024-2027 in a more holistic perspective than the chain of reporting within the BFUG normally allows.

We would like to foresee a breakout session with breaking into three groups (for 45-60 minutes), each discussing a set of questions, then a plenary (45-60 minutes). Four questions go to every group (which will be provided later); other questions are group-specific.

The three groups are asked to discuss the outcomes, policy recommendations and future steps regarding

- A. BICG (with TPG A, B, C);
- B. Social Dimension & Teaching and Learning;
- C. Fundamental Values & Enhancing knowledge;

It is not foreseen that the groups consist mainly of the members of the respective sub-structures, it is about discussing the questions regarding the sub-structures and the more general questions also with BFUG members that were not part of the sub-structure.

Each breakout group will be moderated by a member of the drafting committee. A rapporteur will give a brief overview in plenary after the breakout sessions are finished and then occasion for a more general discussion on the “future of Bologna” is given, also in view of the current proposals of the TF RoP.

This agenda item could be integrated with/after the reporting of the Drafting Committee on the zero draft, or at a separate moment within the BFUG meeting.