

# Introduction to Eaquals

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### Eaquals: more than just another inspection...

An international non-profit membership association for language education professionals, founded in 1991

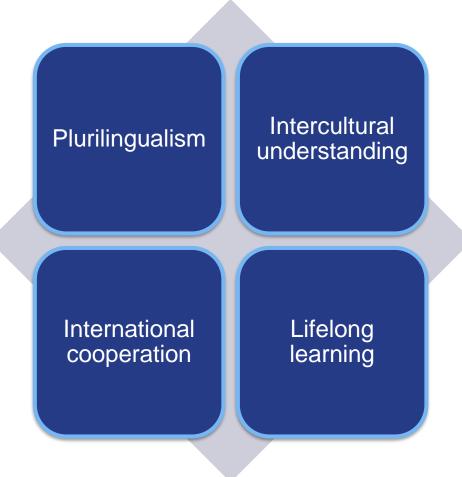
#### Our mission:

to foster excellence in the teaching of any language by providing guidance and support

.....We help good language centres to become even better



### **Eaquals values**





## Join our international community

Members in 36 countries



Teaching over 25 languages



### A network of experts







- National quality associations
- Cultural organisations
- Examination providers
- Educational publishers



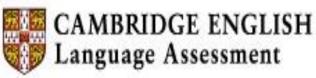








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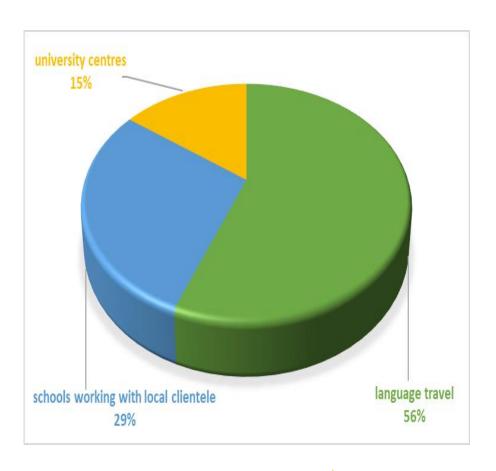






### **Accredited Members**

56% language travel29% schools working with local clientele15% university language centres





### Working to raise standards

**Accreditation & inspections**: high international standards protect learners

**Training & consultancy**: helping good language centres become even better

International conferences & training workshops: to share expertise

New practical resources: to support language centres in their work

**Educational work for the public benefit:** in partnership with Council of Europe, ISO



### Our expertise & influence

Quality assurance & management

design of quality schemes

capacity building at local & national level

The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)

course design

assessment and certificates

Academic management and professional development

competence frameworks

teacher training and development



### What does this mean for you?

Take part in the international world of language education

**Share expertise** with international experts and professionals who care about quality

#### **Practical support** for your institution:

- A roadmap for future development
- Annual professional training event just members
- · Webinars for members
- Teacher award scheme

Enhanced international recognition – communications, events



### **Eaquals International Conferences**







# Eaquals accreditation – more than another inspection!

# So how do you feel about quality audits?





# Eaquals accreditation – a positive professional experience



### Adapting to different education contexts

Scheme for Language Centres – nonformal education

Higher Education scheme – formal education

Scheme for Online Providers



### Eaquals accreditation – values and approach

Multilingual

Partnership – practical help and advice to prepare

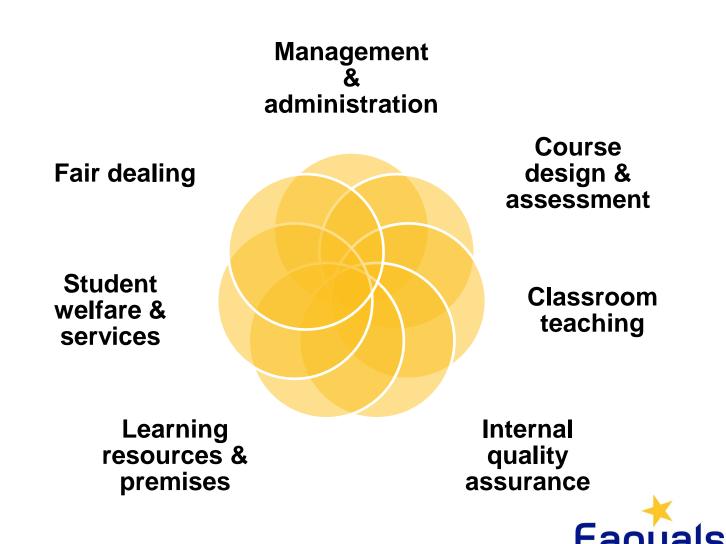
Benchmarks – your objectives as well as Eaquals standards

Feedback and recommendations from experienced experts

Support for further development



### Evaluating the whole 'school in action'



### Eaquals quality cycle – a positive approach



### Support for applicants – a partnership

Self Assessment Handbook – an internal benchmarking exercise
How well does my institution meet the Eaquals standards?
Feedback from the Director of Accreditation

Optional - Advisory Site Visit and/or desk review
What do I need to improve to meet the standards?
Review by an Eaquals inspector + feedback, advice and a written report

#### Prepare for an inspection

Develop and implement systems and processes. Advice from Director of Accreditation, and extra training if required

Apply for an inspection

Printed resources: Guide for Language Centres + Inspection Manual



# International accreditation: guarantees for language learners

Eaquals Members meet the highest standards in all areas of language education – academic and student welfare

Eaquals' quality standards are based on our Charters – public promises made by Members to their learners and staff

Members' quality standards are verified by expert international teams of inspectors

Stand out from the crowd: only schools that meet all our standards can display the Eaquals logo





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