

ROMANIA: ASSISTANCE ON INFORMING PROJECT EVALUATION

Key Dates:

Signed: July 24, 2017

Completion: August 8, 2017

Duration: 37 months

Value: US\$1.16 million

Key Partner: Ministry of Education

Objectives: The objective of this proposed Advisory Services (P157508) is to improve the capacity of the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (MESR) and the Romanian Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (RAQAHE/ARACIS) to govern the quality assurance system of higher education in Romania with the purpose of supporting increased attainment to and quality and efficiency of Romania's higher education system. The new adopted National Strategy for Tertiary Education in Romania 2015-2020, developed in close collaboration with the World Bank through an earlier RAS, includes a number of activities for "Promoting the Establishment of High Quality, Adaptive Academic Programs", in order to implement a more transparent assessment and quality assurance system. The proposed Advisory Services is designed to support the improvement of the administrative capacity of the MESR and the Romanian Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (RAQAHE), by developing procedures for the organization of its internal and external activities, by training its own staff, and also by developing and implementing consultation mechanisms to ensure that all stakeholders are participating in the decision-making process and continuing to develop efficient, citizen-oriented public policies.