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Ministerial decree of 30 July 2019 on the accreditation of the study programme « Master in Management » offered by the specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » (LSB)

The Minister for Higher Education and Research,

Considering the amended law of 19 June 2009 on the organisation of higher education and more specifically title III on the implantation modalities for higher education programmes on the territory of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg ;

Considering the grand ducal regulation of 24 August 2016 on the accreditation of foreign higher education institutions and programmes in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg ;

Considering the assessment report of the « Agentur für Qualitätssicherung und Akkreditierung Austria » as submitted on 24 July 2019 ;

decrees:

Art. 1. The institution « Luxembourg School of Business » (LSB) is accredited as a specialised higher education institution for the period from 15 September 2019 to 14 September 2024 to offer the study programme « Master in Management ».

The above-mentioned study programme is accredited for the period from 15 September 2019 to 14 September 2024.

Art. 2. The accreditation of the study programme leading to the « Master in Management » is subject to the minimum requirement that access to the study programme is reserved to candidates holding a Bachelor's degree of at least 180 ECTS credits or a diploma registered in the register of academic qualifications as provided by article 68 of the law of 28 October 2016 on the recognition of professional qualifications and corresponding to level 6 of the Luxembourg Qualifications Framework pursuant to article 69 of the aforementioned law. Additional admission requirements may be set out by the specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business ».

Art. 3. Notwithstanding articles 1 and 2, the accreditation of the institution « Luxembourg School of Business » as a specialised higher education institution for the study programme leading to the « Master in Management » is subject, for the present decree to be valid, to the following conditions, whose fulfilment must be proven with supporting documents until 15 September 2020 at the latest:

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1. The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must review and adapt the curriculum of the study programme leading to the « Master in Management » according to the following elements:
 - a) The total duration of the programme must be extended to 24 months and the time provided for the preparation of the Master's thesis or for the internship in a company must be extended to 6 months.
 - b) The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must specify the system applied to determine the workload of each module (in number of hours) and thereby applied to determine the number of ECTS credits allocated to each module, it being understood that one ECTS credit corresponds to 25 to 30 hours of work. It must each time detail the number of hours allocated to the various learning activities, such as courses, group work, reading assignments, writing assignments, exam preparation.
 - c) The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must prove that the internship included in the study programme leading to the « Master in Management » corresponds to the descriptors of level 7 of the Luxembourg Qualifications Framework as defined in Appendix A of the grand ducal regulation of 17 February 2017 on the recognition of professional qualifications. For this purpose, it must precisely define the admission criteria, the type of internship, the learning outcomes and goals as well as the modalities and criteria for the preparation and the assessment of the internship report.
2. In accordance with article 28^{ter}, paragraph 2 of the amended law of 19 June 2009 on the organisation of higher education, the specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must prove that its staff consists on a permanent basis of at least 15 employees (in full-time equivalent) holding an academic qualification at least at Master's level and conducting documented activities of teaching and research within and in the name of the specialised higher education institution.
3. The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must prove that all the core courses of the study programme leading to the « Master in Management » are taught by leading teachers who are permanent employees of this institution with a degree of occupation of at least 50% of a full-time position.
4. The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must draw up a research strategy and demonstrate the relevance of its research activities in relation with the study programme leading to the « Master in Management ». It must provide a detailed record of research activities performed until 15 September 2020 by each permanent academic staff member as well as of the research activities planned for the academic year 2020-2021 on behalf of the « Luxembourg School of Business ». In addition, it must provide information on how it intends to increase the number of publications of its permanent academic staff.

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5. The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must draw up a quality assurance system and publish the related policy on its website. The newly developed concept must describe the interdependence of the various existing quality assurance tools and their frequency of application. It must also show how the newly gained knowledge and experience are integrated into the strategic decision-making processes.
6. The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must prove that its facilities are adapted to the number of students planned for the academic year 2020-2021 and that they comply with current safety standards. To this end, the institution must provide a detailed record of the available classrooms, specifying for each room the number of available seats, the occupancy level and the weekly planning of their use and provide supporting documents regarding their compliance with applicable safety standards.
7. The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must provide information on the number of students expected in the study programme leading to the « Master in Management » for the academic year 2020-2021 and submit forecasts on the evolution of the number of students for the period 2020-2021 to 2024-2025. At the same time, it must submit a financing plan covering that same period and describe the recommended adjustment mechanisms to respond to a development of the number of students.
8. The specialised higher education institution « Luxembourg School of Business » must submit a plan for the implementation of the recommendations made by the « Agentur für Qualitätssicherung und Akkreditierung Austria » as summarized on pages 36 and 37 of its assessment report.

Art. 4. The present decree will be published in the Official Journal of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

Luxembourg, 30 July 2019

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Comment AQ Austria : As regards point 8, the corresponding page numbers were corrected to 38 and 39 in the following Ministerial Decree: Arrêté ministériel du 2 octobre 2019 modifiant l'arrêté ministériel du 30 juillet 2019 portant accréditation du programme d'études "Master in Management" offert par l'établissement d'enseignement supérieur spécialisé "Luxembourg School of Business" (LSB)