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Globalisation and knowledge-based economies demand highly trained graduates with high quality of education. Whereas in Europe Quality Assurance (QA) has been progressively integrated at HEIs, in South Asia it has not been much developed.

Against this background, **EQASA** – Enhancing quality assurance in South Asia HEIs, aims at supporting sustainable socio-economic growth in South Asia by strengthening institutional capacity in HEIs and enhancing the culture of QA.

The 3-year project is divided into three stages: The first stage is to understand the current situation and

draw comparative analysis of QA practice and needs at HEIs in seven countries. This in-depth understanding moves **EQASA** to the second stage, namely, training & learning. South Asian HEIs will upgrade their human and technical capacities to be transformed into institutional capacity. In the third stage, South Asian HEIs shall conduct internal assessments and draft a 4-year QA strategic plan to orient their respective QA development. Constructive feedback will be given by the EU HEIs. In parallel, the consortium will organise focused activities to engage policy makers, authorities, students, employers, and local communities to improve QA practice in the region.

