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## **Decisions of the meeting of the Board of Inspectors (Secondary) of 8 and 9 February 2021, in Brussels**

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Meeting of 8 and 9 February 2021 – Online

Approved by means of Written Procedure No 2021/9 on 22 March 2021<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Document reference: 2021-02-D-1-en-2

### **III.C. EUROPEAN BACCALAUREATE**

#### **2. Quality assurance of the 2021 European Baccalaureate written and oral examinations – Procedure – 2021-01-D-4- en-1 – L. DAMKJAER**

Pending a decision on the part of the Chair of the European Baccalaureate regarding the measures associated with organisation of the oral examinations for the 2021 Baccalaureate, the BIS approved solely the part given over to the written examinations. The BIS also proposed that in the light of the situation, the number of presence days for the written examinations be re-evaluated by May at the latest.

As regards the procedure for the oral examinations, there would need to be follow-up if the decision of the Chair of the European Baccalaureate came out in favour of retention of one oral examination.

The BIS also recommended that internal and external examiners be reminded of the Inspectors' role as Vice-Chairs.

#### **3. Quality Assurance of the 2021 European Baccalaureate written examinations – 2021-01-D-4-en-1 – E. RUDOMINO**

The BIS approved the document 'Quality Assurance of the 2021 European Baccalaureate written examinations' and requested all the Inspectors to check that the description relating to their subject(s) did indeed correspond to the syllabus in force for the 2021 European Baccalaureate. The WGs by language level needed to check that the description of the examinations for which they were responsible was correct. The finalised document would be communicated to the schools after its approval.

It would be sent forward for information to the JTC and to the BoG.

#### **4. European Schools' Criteria for the Assessment of the 2021 Baccalaureate Oral Exams – 2021-01-D-3-en-1 – L. DAMKJAER**

Pending the decision that was to be taken by the Chair of the European Baccalaureate regarding the 2021 European Baccalaureate oral examinations, the BIS approved the document 'European Schools' Criteria for the Assessment of the 2021 Baccalaureate Oral Exams', which did, however, still need to be adapted with respect to application of the new marking scale. Whatever the decision that was taken on the orals, the European Baccalaureate Unit requested the Inspectors to kindly check the criteria relating to their subject(s) and to forward the adapted version of those criteria as soon as possible. The Inspectors were thus reminded of the need to finalise the assessment criteria and the mark sheets for the orals. Not all the translations of the criteria and guidelines had been delivered yet. The adapted document could in future be presented at the October pedagogical meetings and no longer at the February ones, as that was too early in the year to meet the pedagogical needs covered by this document.

For the harmonised subjects, the language ones (L1, L2, L3 and L4), the presentation and content had to be harmonised. The Baccalaureate Unit would

send to the Inspectors the original of the criteria by language level, for adaptation by the Inspectors concerned.

It was pointed out that for the language subjects, there was only one mark sheet template with harmonised criteria for each language level. It was important for every Inspector to adhere to the harmonised assessment template, without providing examiners with fuller criteria outside the jointly defined framework.

The document would be sent forward for information to the JTC and to the BoG.

7. Special Arrangements for year S5 students for the 2023 European Baccalaureate - 2021-01-D-23-en-1 – A. YILMAZ

The BIS approved the document on Special Arrangements for year 5 SEN students for the 2023 European Baccalaureate.

In addition, the BIS recommended that account also be taken, for the future, of the impact on the conduct of written examinations that requests for rest time, of which there had been a growing number over the last few years, might have.

8. Revision of the document Proposal of the sub-Working group 'Quality Assurance – L1' on the 'Harmonised structure of the L1 written and oral examinations in the European Baccalaureate' – 2020-01-D-41-fr-3 – L. DAMKJAER

At its February 2020 meeting, the BIS had approved the document Proposal of the sub-Working group 'Quality Assurance – L1' on the 'Harmonised structure of the L1 written and oral examinations in the European Baccalaureate' with a view to its entry into force in S7 as from 1 September 2020 (ref. 2020-01-D-41-fr-2).

In December 2020, the working group had deemed it necessary to clarify the rules concerning the nature of the text (point 5, page 5) for the oral examination: "*The number of literary and non-literary texts must be balanced.*"

Annex II to the document had also been adapted. The timescale for entry into force had been revised in line with the new proposal.

The BIS approved the amendments proposed above with a view to their entry into force in S7 on 1 September 2021 – June 2022 Baccalaureate.

The document would be sent forward to the JTC and to the BoG for their full information.

### **III.F. OTHER ITEMS**

#### **2. Inspectors who are leaving the European School system:**

- Appointments of the persons responsible for subjects
- Replacement in Working Groups – 2021-01-D-43-en-1 – L. MUNKÁCSY

The BIS approved the appointment of the Inspectors responsible for the following subjects:

<b>Russian</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Mr GIURUMESCU</b>
<b>Non-Confessional Ethics</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Ms VERMEIRE (Chair), assisted by Mr ROME (Vice-Chair)</b>
<b>Harmonisation pedagogical planning</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Chair: Ms DUCATEZ (primary) – Inspector to be appointed for the secondary (Vice-Chair)</b>
<b>Whole School Inspections</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Primary Inspector to be appointed</b>
<b>Art Education</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Volunteer candidate: Mr COENEN, provided that an Inspector took over responsibility for Chemistry</b>