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**I. Latest Decision**

In the plenary meeting on 11 May 2007 the Austrian Accreditation Council decided negatively on the application for accreditation as private university of the „Transart BetriebsgmbH“.

**II. Revised/Updated Documents for the Application and the Assessment**

- IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT INSTITUTIONS -

The AAC revised the documents for the application and assessment due to/because of the experience of the hitherto/so far conducted procedures. The new guidelines shall enhance the structure of prospective applications/in the future.

Furthermore the way of submitting an application has been modified. The documents have to be submitted in two hard copies (paperback, double sided and with pagination) to the office of the Accreditation Council. Additional copies in the required number have to be submitted after a possible correction of the document (if necessary) in consultation with the office.

The following updated/revised guidelines are available at the homepage of the AAC:

- [Checklist for Institutions](#)
- [Checklist for Academic Programmes](#)
- [Guidelines for Experts \(Institutions\)](#)
- [Guidelines for Experts \(Academic Programmes\)](#)

[http://www.akkreditierungsrat.at/cont/de/Neue\\_Texte\\_110507.aspx](http://www.akkreditierungsrat.at/cont/de/Neue_Texte_110507.aspx)

The AAC provides a cover sheet for the application that is online available at the website of the Accreditation Council:

<http://www.akkreditierungsrat.at/cont/de/Deckblatt.aspx>

**III. External Review of the Austrian Accreditation Council (AAC)**

As already mentioned the AAC undergoes an external review in 2007 through an international expert team. The team has been nominated by the Ministry of Science and Research and has the following composition:

Chairperson (quality assurance agency)	Dr. Karl Dittrich ChairPerson NVAO (NL)
representative of a quality assurance agency	Dr. Achim Hopbach Managing Director Foundation for the Accreditation of Study Programmes in Germany
representative of higher education institutions (national)	Prof. Dr. Lothar Zechlin Rector University Duisburg-Essen
representative of higher education institutions (European)	Prof. Dr. Bente Kristensen Deputy President of the Copenhagen Business School
representative of students (European)	Bastian Baumann Universität Kassel
secretary	Fred Mulder Policy Advisor NVAO (NL)

Within the scope of this procedure a **self evaluation report** of the AAC was published which is online available (only in German):

[http://www.akkreditierungsrat.at/files/downloads/2007/Selbstbericht%20OeAR\\_final\\_version\\_210507.pdf](http://www.akkreditierungsrat.at/files/downloads/2007/Selbstbericht%20OeAR_final_version_210507.pdf)

Further information for the external review is available under:

[http://www.akkreditierungsrat.at/cont/en/council\\_exteval.aspx](http://www.akkreditierungsrat.at/cont/en/council_exteval.aspx)