

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT^{1&2}

RFA Part 1 of an ABET Accreditation Visit and Review

IN THE COUNTRY OF _____



Institution's Authorizing/Recognizing Agency¹ or ABET's MOU/MRA Partner²

Chief Executive Officer (or Equivalent) of the Listed Agency^{1&2}

Institution of the Below-Listed Program(s)³

President (or Equivalent) of the Institution

Dean of the Institution

Program(s)³ Requesting Evaluation

Evidence⁴ of Recognition, if Applicable (List or Attach)

By signing this form, I acknowledge that the above-listed institution has informed our agency of their request for ABET accreditation review for the aforementioned program(s).

We do not object to ABET review activities at the above-listed institution. We understand that ABET will provide an opportunity for a member of our agency to join ABET's review team as an Observer⁵.

We object to ABET review activities at the above-listed institution.

Reason (optional): _____

Signature of the Chief Executive Officer (or Equivalent) of the Institution's Authorizing Agency^{1&2}

Date

For Electronic Submission:

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RFA Part 2

INSTITUTION'S AUTHORIZING AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION



Agency

Mailing Address, Including ZIP & Country

Shipping Address (If Different From Above)

Phone

URL

Official notification will be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) of the agency.

Chief Executive Officer (or Equivalent) Full Name

Position

Title First Middle Last

Phone

Fax

Email

Address (If Different From Above)

Observer⁵ (If Assigned) Full Name

Position

Title First Middle Last

Phone

Fax

Email

Address (If Different From Above)

Please check this box if you would like to designate an observer⁵ but have yet to do so. By checking this box, you assure us that you will provide the name, biographical resume and contact information of the observer⁵ to ABET Headquarters at international-accreditation@abet.org no later than August 31. Any questions? Please feel free to contact us.

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RFA Part 3

INSTRUCTIONS



1. This Request for Acknowledgement (RFA) form applies to programs located outside of the U.S. ABET requires that programs requesting ABET review must be housed in a degree-granting institution which has been approved and recognized by the highest quality assurance agency for higher education or national education authority in the institution's country. Therefore, ABET requires that an RFA come from that agency in conjunction with any request for ABET evaluation. The RFA Parts 1 & 2 must be completed by *each* applicable national education authority/higher education quality assurance organization/recognition agency/accreditation agency and submitted to ABET by the institution together with a completed Request for Evaluation (RFE) form or shortly following submission of the RFE by **no later than January 31**. A separate form is required for each applicable agency.

Please be advised that ABET will conduct an accreditation review and on-site visit outside the U.S. only with explicit acknowledgment from all applicable national education authorities, recognition and accreditation agencies in that program's country or region.

2. ABET is involved in several international agreements with quality assurance organizations worldwide, such as Mutual Recognition Agreements (MRAs) and Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs). Participating organizations for these activities can be found at the following links:

[Washington Accord](#)

[Sydney Accord](#)

[Dublin Accord](#)

[Seoul Accord](#)

[Memoranda of Understanding](#)

Please note that we will not conduct an accreditation review in the relevant MRA/MOU country/region if our partner objects to ABET review activities inside their jurisdictions.

3. List the exact program name(s) (not the department name(s)) as the names appeared on your RFE. Program names should be identical to those on student transcripts and in your institution's literature. Programs from the same institution but applied under different ABET Commissions may share one request form for each agency.

4. Present one piece of evidence (i.e. specify the agency's official webpage or attach a copy of the official letter/certificate) showing the institutional or program-specific recognition provided by the listed agency. Please indicate "NA" or "none" if obtaining recognition from the listed agency is not applicable or not mandatory in your country.

5. ABET welcomes a member of the agency to participate in the accreditation visit as an observer.

Please be advised that it is ABET's policy that all participating observers should have no real or perceived conflict of interest with respect to the institution being visited. Observers must be approved by ABET Headquarters (HQ), the Visit Team Chair and the visit institution. Therefore, we request a biographical resume (bio) with complete contact information from each observer candidate no later than August 31. Once the observer is accepted by ABET HQ and the Visit Team, the individual's bio will be forwarded to the institution for approval. Lastly, the Visit Team Chair will contact the observer with the visit information after the individual is accepted by the institution. The observer's information can be transmitted to ABET HQ by e-mail at international-accreditation@abet.org.

On-site visits typically are held between September and mid-December. We will notify the participating agency between July and August as to the visit dates.