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The Main Results of the Internal Quality Evaluation Report on Educational, Creative and Related Activities of the University of Defence in Brno for 2017

The Internal Quality Evaluation Report on Educational, Creative and Related Activities of the University of Defence in Brno for 2017 was discussed by the Scientific Council of the University of Defence in Brno on 30 May 2018 and approved by the Academic Senate of the University of Defence in Brno on 20 September 2018.

The internal quality evaluation of the activities of the University of Defence in Brno (hereinafter referred to as "UoD") for 2017 represents the first comprehensive evaluation conceived according to the requirements of the current version of the Higher Education Act and according to the methodological guidelines of the National Accreditation Bureau. The results of the evaluation made it possible to find the strengths and weaknesses of the evaluated areas in the form of educational, creative and related activities. The evaluation itself is based on the requirements arising from the internal regulations and the conclusions of the Internal Evaluation Board of the University of Defence in Brno.

The final summary of the Internal Quality Evaluation Report of Educational, Creative and Related Activities of the University of Defence in Brno for 2017 contains the recommendations for improving the system of quality assurance and internal quality evaluation, the formulation of strengths and weaknesses, opportunities and risks of the UoD based on the internal quality evaluation for 2017.

Recommendations for Improving the Quality System

- The initial results of the internal quality evaluation enabled a revision of the internal quality evaluation system, which consisted of defining recommendations for improving the quality assurance system and the internal quality evaluation.
- Thus, for the next period, it seems necessary to specify or supplement the established quality indicators, to continue the creation of a unified formalised system for processing partial, interim and summary reports, to gradually implement the provision of information support for internal quality evaluation in the form of an application in the UoD information system which would enable automated data collection and evaluation and to ensure the implementation of feedback mechanisms in the form of an application in the UoD information system.
- It is also recommended to implement an element into the existing system of internal evaluation of the quality of activities enabling the assessment of academic staff in individual activities, thus creating a tool to support the evaluation and quality assurance of the UoD in the crucial area of employees performing educational and creative activities.

Strengths and weaknesses, opportunities and risks

a) Strengths

- employment of graduates of military study programmes,
- cooperation with the future employer of military graduates in the creation and implementation of the study programme,
- unique position in educational and creative activities in selected thematic areas.

b) Weaknesses

- insufficient degree of internationalisation in educational and creative activities,
- uneven performance of individual components in creative activity,
- age structure of academic staff,
- state of laboratory and teaching facilities.

c) Opportunities

- options for obtaining specifically targeted scientific and similar projects (e.g. NATO-supported projects),
- use of the University's academic staff evaluation system,
- cooperation with practice in the implementation of educational and creative activities,

- using financial instruments to internationalise study and creative activities from sources other than the current ones,
- use of European Union financial instruments for infrastructure development.

d) Risks

- demographic development of the current secondary school population,
- higher level of competitiveness of public universities in obtaining scientific projects,
- reduced funding for the implementation of the internationalisation of educational activities.

Pursuant to Section 77b(3) of Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education and on Amendments and Supplements to Other Acts (Act on Higher Education), the University makes available reports on internal quality evaluation of educational, creative and related activities and supplements to these reports to the bodies and members of the bodies of the UoD and its units, the National Accreditation Bureau and the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports.