



Global Academic Integrity Network

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Partnership Approach

Co-founders: [QQI](#) & [TEQSA](#)

- Similar legislation with regard to academic cheating in our respective jurisdictions; similar remits and functions
- Existing cooperation & engagement in relation to academic integrity through our MOU
- **Acknowledgement that contract cheating and other forms of academic misconduct & fraud are global issues, transcending jurisdictional boundaries**

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We need to work together to stamp out contract cheating. Image: iStock.

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Global network set up to stamp out contract cheating in HE

John Walshe 21 October 2022

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Education agencies across the globe are joining forces to fight the rise of commercial cheating services that target students worldwide. The newly formed Global Academic Integrity Network (GAIN) is working to stamp out the multi-billion-dollar contract cheating operations which have flourished in recent years as online assessment have become more prevalent.



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> International launch of Global Academic Integrity Network (GAIN)

Global Academic Integrity Network (GAIN) Established to Combat Contract Cheating



Contract cheating and other forms of academic fraud have the potential to cause significant damage to our national qualifications systems. These are global issues that require a collaborative, cross-border approach to combat.

International launch of Global Academic Integrity Network (GAIN)

19 Oct 2022



GAIN launched in Dublin on 18 October 2022

Membership

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- AQUA (Andorra)
- CONEAU (Argentina)
- ASQA (Australia)
- TEQSA (Australia)
- NEAA (Bulgaria)
- MPHEC (Canada)
- PEQAB (Canada)
- CYQAA (Cyprus)
- HCÉRES (France)
- NCEQE (Georgia)
- MAB (Hungary)
- QQI (Ireland)
- ANVUR (Italy)
- CIMEA (Italy)
- QAA (Kazakhstan)
- Commission for University Education (Kenya)
- KAA (Kosovo)
- Office of the Ombudsman for Academic Ethics & Procedures (Lithuania)
- MFHEA (Malta)
- NQA (Namibia)
- NZQA (New Zealand)
- Department for the Economy (Northern Ireland)
- ARACIS (Romania)
- Council on HE of South Africa
- SAQA (South Africa)
- AVAP (Spain)
- ACCUA (Spain)
- AQUIB (Spain)
- ENIC-NARIC (Sweden)
- Ecctis (UK)
- QAA (UK)
- NAQA (Ukraine)
- Higher Education Authority Zambia
- ZAQA (Zambia)

Endorsed by ENQA, Council of Europe, European Network for Academic Integrity & ESU

An Update...

- Six meetings and two information sessions to date
- Meetings chaired by **TEQSA** (Australia), **QQI** (Ireland), **CIMEA** (Italy), **SAQA** (South Africa), **QAA** (UK), **ARACIS** (Romania)
- **Topics explored:**
 - Spotlight on individual member organisations and their work to support academic integrity
 - Business models of diploma mills & contract cheating service providers
 - Generative AI models and their potential uses by learners
 - Impact of generative AI across member organisations' jurisdictions and policy and regulatory responses



GAIN Guest Expert Speakers

Name	Role, Organisation
Dr Sarah Eaton	Associate Professor, University of Calgary; Editor-in-Chief, International Journal for Academic Integrity; Editor, Handbook of Academic Integrity
Dr Zeenath Khan	Assistant Professor of Cyber Ethics, University of Wollongong in Dubai; Founding President/Board Member, Center for Academic Integrity in the UAE
Dr André Hesselbäck	Senior Credential Evaluator, ENIC-NARIC Sweden
Dr Privolin Naidoo	Senior Software Developer, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (South Africa)
Rishal Hurbans	Author of Grokking AI Algorithms, international speaker, founder of Interacts app
Professor Michael Draper	Pro-Vice Chancellor Education, Swansea University; Council of Europe ETINED Expert



Plans for the Future...

- Continue to expand membership
- Continue to share information and data
- Develop and publish GAIN collective statements
- Consider opportunities for developing global approaches to supporting academic integrity and combatting academic fraud
- Explore opportunities for sharing and adapting resources developed by GAIN members



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- Complete the form and we'll get back to you

Interested in finding out more about GAIN or becoming a GAIN member?

Name

Role

Organisation

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Join our global community taking action against the threat of contract cheating to protect academic integrity.

Membership of GAIN is open only to regulators and quality or qualifications agencies that have a remit in relation to academic integrity in the higher and/or vocational education sectors.

Open GAIN information session: 12 February 2024



