



**EAC 02/07 Public Open Tender Call for
Tender Information Project on Higher Education Reform II
(Lisbon Strategy and Bologna Process)
(November 1st, 2007 to October 31st, 2008)**

The consortium that has submitted the project is composed of:

- UNICA
- Academic Cooperation Association, ACA
- Brussels Education Services, BES

This project consists in assisting institutional implementation of Bologna process and Lisbon strategy reforms, through materials, case studies and training seminars, which will provide a European dimension and a comparative perspective seems clear to all. These materials, developed in part out of European projects, included those supported by the Commission, will be designed to be used by official national Bologna Experts, special categories such as: Institutions' Leadership, Institutional Bologna Coordinators, Teachers, Student Unions, Policy Makers and other interested parties. As for the geographical scope of the project, the project is expected to cover all Socrates countries. Contacts will also be made with organisations that represent the European labour market and employers.

The consortium will give follow-up to the first Higher Education Reform project that was executed under Tender EAC/60/05 and implemented by a consortium under the leadership of the EUA and guarantee maximum continuity and sustainability. The overall results to be obtained from appropriate execution of the contract are the following:

- General, perceptible awareness-raising about the Bologna Process amongst stakeholders in the 27 EU Member States, the EEA countries and one Candidate country.
- Maintaining mechanisms of information, communication and coordination ensuring a smooth functioning of the National Teams of Bologna Experts.

The project activities can be subdivided in three categories:

- Material: During the time-span of the contract the consortium will be responsible for the upgrading and further development of the web pages on Higher Education Reforms on the Commission's official site. Brochures and casebooks on Bologna Process objectives and priorities will also be produced. These papers will deal with the core objectives of the Bologna process to be achieved by 2010 and the items listed on the modernisation agenda for European universities.
- Events: Two training seminars for Bologna experts in 2007-2008 will be organised by the consortium. The topics to be dealt with are the following:
 - Contributions of Higher Education Institutes to the Lifelong Learning Agenda
 - Introduction of EQF in Higher Education

- Networking: The consortium lead by UNICA will have to ensure optimal coordination between the various National Teams of Bologna Experts by managing the existing Bologna Promoters' Virtual Community. www.bolognapromoters.net and by improving its use through an appropriate communication and dissemination campaign. Those who are confronted with the Bologna/Lisbon processes on a day-to-day basis will be invited to give feedback on what information they wish to receive, how it could be better presented and what needs to be done to get the promoters more actively involved.