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Executive Summary

The EUA Quality
Culture Project Round
III issues its call for
applications

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Introduction

1. This Europe note informs institutions of the call for applications for Round III of the European University Association Quality Culture Project. **The deadline for applications is 27 October 2004.** Further details and the application form can be found at:

http://www.eua.be/eua/jsp/en/client/item_view.jsp?type_id=1&item_id=1673

Information on the project

2. The Quality Culture Project is funded by the EU's Socrates Programme and aims to strengthen the internal quality culture in higher education institutions to enable them to respond promptly to the changing HE environment. Quality culture is now recognised by HEIs and policy makers as key to reaching institutional objectives, ensuring the success of the Bologna Process and meeting the targets of the Lisbon Strategyⁱ. Institutions keen to develop and strengthen their internal quality culture are encouraged to apply to take part in the Project, which is open to all EUA members and to institutions which are not EUA members but who are members of UUK.

3. Forty institutions will be selected and grouped into six small networks focused on a specific thematic area such as research management or the implementation of the Bologna reforms. Each network will receive 40,000 Euros and will be coordinated by a lead institution. The network participants will note current practices and discuss and develop action plans in order to further embed a quality culture in their institution. Previous UK participants include: London Metropolitan University; Brunel University; and the University of Bristol.

4. Round III builds on Rounds I and II of the project, which have been carried out between 2002 and 2004. Round I – the report of which is available on the EUA websiteⁱⁱ - will act as a starting point for Round III. Round II is still ongoing.

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ⁱ To make the EU the 'most, competitive and dynamic economy in the world by 2010'.

ⁱⁱ http://www.eua.be/eua/jsp/en/upload/QC_report_final.1076424814595.pdf