

NVAO development discussion: SBE's main takeaways

In June 2022, a peer review panel on behalf of the NVAO visited SBE as part of a re-accreditation visit. This visit went smoothly and the panel evaluated SBE positively, reaccrediting all our bachelor and master programmes* for a period of 6 years. We are of course thrilled about this result which reaffirms our dedication to delivering high quality education.

As part to the standard re-accreditation process, the NVAO peer review team met with SBE's management team for a developmental discussion. The goal of this meeting was to share feedback and discuss opportunities from continuous improvement.

Below is a summary of SBE's main takeaways from this discussion.

SBE's Assessment Vision

Peer review recommendations

The peer review team recommends regular evaluations of the assessment criteria with faculty members and to update the current level of knowledge regarding the assessment vision.

The peer review team recommends that students be involved in the discussions around Assessment Vision.

SBE action points

SBE is committed to advancing our assessment vision.

SBE has been carrying pilot assessment vision trajectories pilots in several programmes starting in Academic Year 2021-22. This has received positive feedback by staff involved and SBE is now extending these pilots to a broader scope, in a joint effort with course coordinators and tutors.

SBE will explore ways we can enable students to become more involved in SBE's assessment vision.

Portfolio management

Peer review recommendations

The peer review team advises SBE to create a policy instrument for the educational portfolio as a basis for evaluation.

SBE action points

SBE will develop an instrument to periodically review the portfolio of our bachelor and master programmes.

When developing the tool, SBE will explore whether or not the instrument should differentiate bachelor and master programmes. For instance: we should maybe take a broader scope for our bachelor programmes and be more specialised in our programmes at the master level.

SBE will explore whether or not this tool could be expanded to our post-graduate/private programmes.

What is the NVAO?

The NVAO is the accreditation organisation set up by the Dutch and Flemish governments to assess higher education quality. All of SBE's regular bachelor's and master's programmes are NVAO accredited.

*Full list of programmes that were included in the 2022 NVAO re-accreditation:

Bachelor programmes"

- BSc Econometrics & Operations Research
- BSc Economics and Business Economics
- BSc Fiscal Economics
- BSc International Business

Master programmes:

- MSc Business Intelligence and Smart Services
- MSc Digital Business and Economics
- MSc Econometrics and Operations Research
- MSc Economics
- MSc Economics and Strategy in Emerging Markets
- MSc Financial Economics
- MSc Fiscal Economics
- MSc Global Supply Chain Management and Change
- MSc Human Decision Science
- MSc International Business
- MSc Learning and Development in Organisations
- MSc Business Research (research)
- MSc Economic and Financial Research (research)

Post-experience Master programmes:

- Executive Master Cultural Leadership
- Executive Master Finance and Control
- International Executive Master Finance and Control
- MaastrichtMBA