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## XII International Russian Higher Education Conference

### Universities in Search of Quality: External Assessments, Internal Goals, Research and Educational Outcomes

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the 12th International Russian Higher Education Conference (RHEC) that will take place in Moscow at the Higher School of Economics (HSE) on October 14–16, 2021. The Conference will offer a vibrant international forum for academics, strategists, institutional leaders, etc. to share opinions and explore multiple perspectives in quality assurance in higher education.

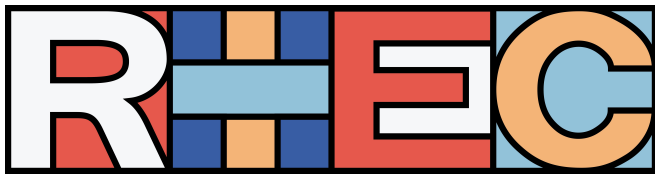
Over the past 12 years, the International Russian Higher Education Conference held within HSE University hosted more than 4000 participants, including such leading scholars in higher education research as Simon Marginson, Philip Altbach, Ulrich Teichler, Ellen Hazelkorn, Manja Klemenčič, John Meyer and other world-known experts. By hosting a multidisciplinary mix of plenary discussions and special sessions, RHEC affords its participants abundant opportunities for networking and debate.

This year we will run RHEC as a hybrid conference. It will be held simultaneously in face-to-face form (in Moscow) as well as in online form.

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## The Conference Tracks

### **New Quality of Higher Education - New Challenges for Academic Profession**

What should be the optimal university policy to achieve a balance between teaching and research missions of universities? How to evaluate the quality of research work? How should teacher contracts be arranged? What should be the policy of universities to attract young people to academia and science?

### **Improving the Quality of Education: Transforming the Educational Process and Evaluating the Results**

Who determines the quality of higher education - university, employers, government or students and their families? What methods of management of education outcomes are used in universities? What internal and external quality assessment systems exist in universities? Which stakeholders are involved in these processes and how can they be involved? When should students start assessing the quality of their education? What should be used for assessment: Competencies, Knowledge, Skills and Attitudes or something new? What are the implications and ways of dealing with grade inflation? Will student sustainability and wellbeing become markers of educational quality?

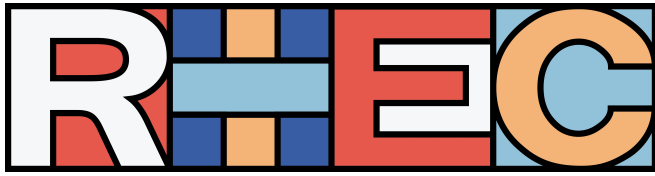
### **New Methods for Assessment and Management of Education Quality**

How to manage the quality of education for sustainability? How are the quality of education and university reputation management related? How to assess the quality of education in blended and online learning formats? Are conventional tools suitable for this task or do they need to be adapted? What new ways of assessing the quality of education are used in universities? What are the results of their use and prospects for their application? How to assess the quality of education in the context of flexible learning tracks and in cases of integration of external and open educational resources into educational programs?

### **Quality of Education, Human Capital and Labor Market**

How does the quality of education impact the results of graduates in the labor market? What is the role of quality of education in stimulation of economic growth? How does the return to education depend on the type, level and quality of education, characteristics of the human capital of graduates, their education and career strategies? How do employees assess the quality of education?

We also welcome submissions on other topics closely connected to the Conference theme.



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## Submitting Proposals

Working languages are Russian and English.  
Each abstract should be up to 500 words (without References) and include:

- Title and Key words
- Objectives of the study/ research questions
- Theoretical/ conceptual framework
- Methodology
- Findings and contribution
- References.

The Programme Committee considers special session applications from groups. The group of applicants is encouraged to suggest a special session topic if they wish to present their papers at a single session, specifying the title of this session. For more details please visit the [Conference website](#).

## Key Dates

July 20	Abstract submission opens
September 5	Deadline for abstract submission (23:59 hrs. CET)
September 20	Notification of acceptance
September 6 – October 10	Registration
October 14 – 16	RHEC 2021

## Conference Fees

Participants in the face-to-face part of the conference must pay a registration fee, which is **1000 rubles**. For more details please visit the [Conference website](#).

For any Conference-related questions please contact us via [rhec@hse.ru](mailto:rhec@hse.ru).